

**OPERATION & MAINTENANCE**

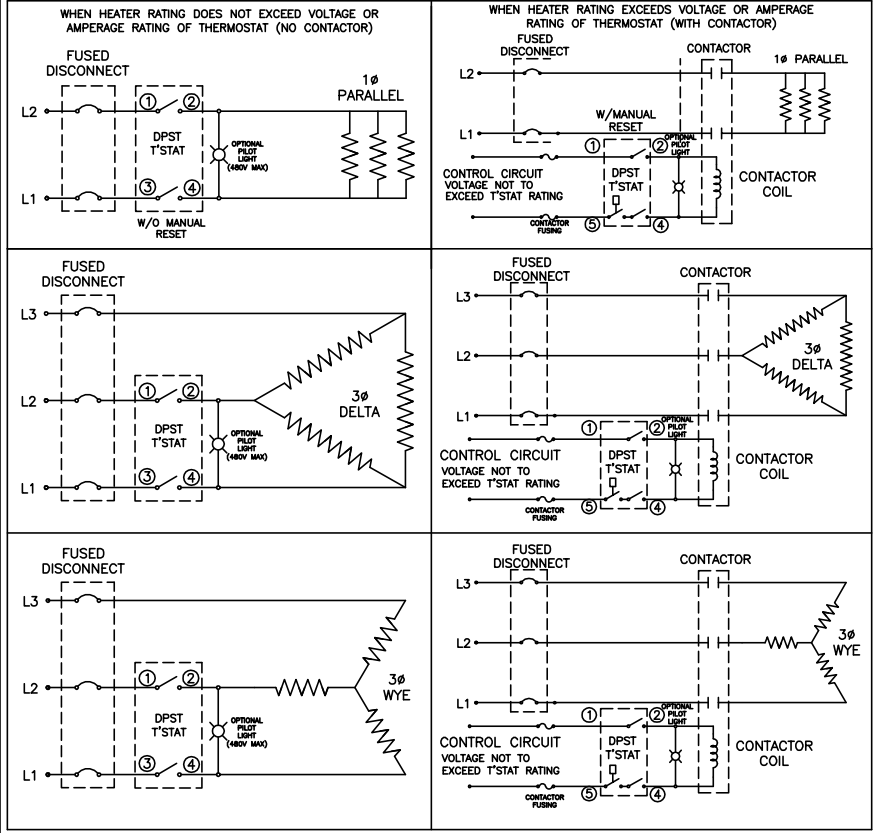
**3 PARALLEL ELEMENT TSP SCREW PLUG OIL HEATERS – DPST T'STAT**

- DO NOT OPERATE HEATERS AT VOLTAGES IN EXCESS OF THAT STAMPED ON THE HEATER.
- UL RECOGNIZED SCREWPLUG DESIGNS MUST NOT EXCEED 125C (257F) HEATED OIL TEMPERATURE WHEN MARKED. UL MARKED HEATERS W/TAPERED THREADS HAVE A 60 PSIG RATING FOR OIL. STRAIGHT THDED UNITS ARE NOT UL PRESSURE RATED FOR OIL.
- ALWAYS MAINTAIN A MINIMUM OF 2" OF OIL ABOVE THE HEATED AREA OF THE ELEMENT(S). IF THE HEATER IS NOT PROPERLY SUBMERGED, IT MAY OVERHEAT CAUSING A FIRE HAZARD AND SHORTEN HEATER LIFE. DO NOT OPERATE HEATER IF PARTIALLY SUBMERGED OR DRY.
- BLEED ALL TRAPPED AIR OUT OF HEATER CHAMBER & OIL PIPING IN CLOSED SYSTEMS PRIOR TO ENERGIZING HEATER. SYSTEM MUST BE KEPT FILLED WITH OIL AT ALL TIMES WHEN HEATER IS ENERGIZED.
- HEATER MUST BE INSTALLED IN A MANNER TO MINIMIZE EXCESSIVE SCALE BUILDUP ON ELEMENTS AND MOUNTED ABOVE SEDIMENT DEPOSITS.

**OPERATION USING A THERMOSTAT(IF PROVIDED)**

- MAXIMUM THERMOSTAT TEMPERATURE SETTING (C/O POINT) FOR UL RECOGNIZED OIL HEATERS IS 250F (121C)
- DO NOT USE A THERMOSTAT AS A POWER SWITCH. USE SOME OTHER MEANS OF DISCONNECTING POWER TO THE HEATER FOR SERVICING.
- THERMOSTATS ARE NOT A FAIL-SAFE DEVICE. USE AN APPROVED TEMPERATURE LIMIT, PRESSURE/FLOW, OR LEVEL CONTROL FOR SAFE OPERATION IN SERIES WITH THE THERMOSTAT OR PREFERABLY ON A SEPARATE INDEPENDENT CIRCUIT.
- AVOID KINKING OR BENDING THE CAPILLARY TUBE TOO SHARPLY AS THIS WILL ALTER THE CALIBRATION AND/OR RENDER THE THERMOSTAT INOPERABLE.
- EXCESS CAPILLARY TUBE SHOULD BE COILED NEATLY IN JUNCTION BOX. THE CAPILLARY TUBE MUST NEVER TOUCH THE HEATER OR THERMOSTAT TERMINALS AS THIS WILL CAUSE AN ELECTRICAL SHORT CAPABLE OF HARMING PERSONNEL AND/OR EQUIPMENT.
- SEE SPECIFIC IDP INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR SPST OR DPST THERMOSTAT MODEL BEING INSTALLED OR SUPPLIED WITH HEATER.
- IF HEATER VOLTAGE OR AMPERAGE EXCEEDS THERMOSTAT RATING, IT MUST BE CONNECTED TO OPERATE AN EXTERNAL CONTACTOR COIL AND NOT CONNECTED DIRECTLY IN LINE WITH HEATER. INSTALL PER PROPER WIRING DIAGRAM.

**TYPICAL WIRING 3 ELEMENTS USING A DPST THERMOSTAT**



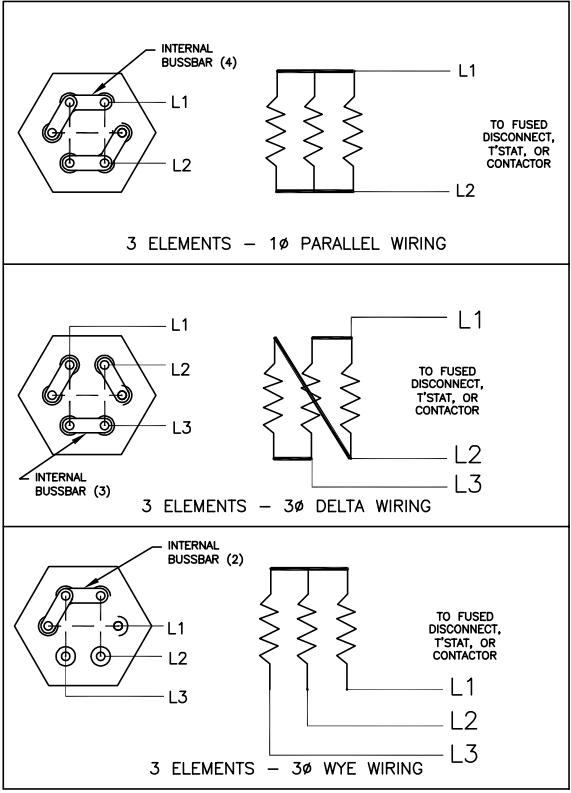
**WIRING & INSTALLATION**

- LINE INPUT WIRING TO HEATER MUST BE INSTALLED AND SIZED FOR CURRENT CARRYING CAPACITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE (NEC), NFPA 70/79, & LOCAL CODES. USE WIRES SUITABLE FOR AT LEAST 90C (194F). IF IN DOUBT, CONSULT A QUALIFIED ELECTRICIAN BEFORE WIRING OR CALL TEMPCO AT 800-323-6859.
- IF ELEMENT WATTAGES OR VOLTAGE RATINGS ARE NOT EQUAL, HEATERS MUST NOT BE CONNECTED IN SERIES.
- IF CORROSIVE OR HAZARDOUS VAPORS OR LIQUIDS ARE PRESENT, ELECTRICAL WIRING TO HEATER SHOULD BE ENCLOSED IN RIGID CONDUIT OR SEALED FLEXIBLE HOSE TO KEEP CONTAMINANTS OUT OF THE TERMINAL HOUSING. IF HIGH HUMIDITY IS ENCOUNTERED, THE CONDUIT & CONNECTIONS SHOULD SLOPE DOWN AND AWAY FROM THE HEATER.
- IF FLEXIBLE CORD IS EMPLOYED, A WATERTIGHT CONNECTOR SHOULD BE USED FOR ENTRY OF THE CORD INTO THE TERMINAL BOX. OUTDOOR APPLICATIONS REQUIRE LIQUID-TIGHT CONDUIT AND CONNECTORS.
- INSTALL POWER WIRING INTO TERMINAL HOUSING USING CONDUIT OPENING(S) PROVIDED WITH WITH APPROVED STRAIN RELIEF CONNECTIONS. CONNECT LINE WIRES TO BUSSED TERMINALS AS SHOWN IN PROPER WIRING DIAGRAM.
- WHEN WIRING 2 ELEMENT HEATER 3Ø OPEN DELTA, CENTER LEG (L2) WILL HAVE A LINE CURRENT 1.732 TIMES OUTER LEGS. (L1 & L3). HIGHER RATED LINE CIRCUIT PROTECTION WILL BE REQUIRED.

**LOW MEGOHM CONDITION**

THE REFRACTORY MATERIAL USED IN ELECTRIC HEATERS MAY ABSORB MOISTURE DURING TRANSIT OR WHEN SUBJECTED TO A HUMID ENVIRONMENT FOR EXTENDED PERIODS. IF MOISTURE ABSORPTION RESULTS IN A COLD INSULATION RESISTANCE DOWN TO 10-15 MEGOHMS, THE HEATER WILL NORMALLY CORRECT ITSELF UPON A FIRST "SOFT START" HEATUP AND DOES NOT AFFECT HEATER EFFICIENCY OR LIFE. A LOW MEGOHM CONDITION CAN EASILY BE CORRECTED BY REMOVING THE TERMINAL ENCLOSURE, THERMOSTAT, AND TERMINAL HARDWARE AND BAKING THE HEATER IN AN OVEN AT 250° TO 300°F FOR SEVERAL HOURS, PREFERABLY OVERNIGHT. ALTERNATIVE PROCEDURE IS TO REMOVE THE THERMOSTAT AND ENERGIZE THE HEATER ELEMENTS AT LOW VOLTAGE UNTIL THE MEGOHM READING INCREASES TO AT LEAST 25-50 MEGOHMS. IF MEGOHM READING DOES NOT RISE PROPERLY, CONTACT TEMPCO FOR ASSISTANCE. WHEN ENERGIZING HEATERS IN AIR, THE SHEATH TEMPERATURES SHOULD NOT EXCEED 400°F FOR COPPER AND 750°F FOR STEEL OR INCOLOY ELEMENTS.

**TYPICAL WIRING – 3 PARALLEL ELEMENTS**



**CAUTION!** HEATERS DESIGNED & PRE-WIRED FOR THREE-PHASE WYE CAN NOT BE WIRED TO SINGLE-PHASE OR THREE-PHASE DELTA WITHOUT CAUSING PREMATURE HEATER FAILURE. CONSULT TEMPCO BEFORE ATTEMPTING INTERNAL BUSSING CHANGES.

**WARNING!** HAZARD OF ELECTRIC SHOCK. DISCONNECT POWER BEFORE SERVICING OR INSTALLING HEATER. INSTALLATION MUST BE GROUNDED TO EARTH TO AVOID SHOCK HAZARD.

TITLE: TSP OIL HEATER INSTRUCTIONS  
 3 ELEMENTS  
 PARALLEL DESIGNS  
 WITH AND WITHOUT DOUBLE POLE T'STAT

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