Enabling the Electronics Revolution

PS-15 / PSC-15 15-mm carbon / cermet SMD potentiometer

The PS-15 and PSC-15 potentiometers offer control where frequent adjustment is required. The shaftless design allows for employment of different engagement mechanisms, such as a customized shaft, a motor control or a human interface adjustment. This potentiometer can also control variable outputs including frequency, change in motor speed or volume.



ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

KEY FEATURES

- ► Excellent performance (up to 3% linearity)
- Carbon or cermet resistive element
- ▶ Polyester / Alumina substrate
- ▶ Up to 38 mechanical detents for tactile feedback
- ▶ Up to 100.000 life cycles
- ▶ IP54 protection
- ▶ Embossed tape packaging according to IEC 60286-3:2007
- ▶ Wiper positioned at initial, 50% or fully clockwise
- Linear, logarithmic and antilogarithmic tapers (PSC-15)
- Self extinguishable plastic (UL 94V-0) available
- ► Locating pins for accurate PCB positioning
- ► Low torque version available
- On request
- ► Shaft and knobs
- ▶ Long life models for control potentiometer applications

	PS-15	PSC-15
Taper ¹	Lin	Lin, Log, Alog
Range of values ¹ Lin Log, Alog	1KΩ≤Rn ≤1MΩ n/a	100Ω≤Rn ≤5MΩ 1KΩ≤Rn ≤5MΩ
Tolerance¹ 100Ω ≤ Rn ≤ 1MΩ 1MΩ < Rn ≤ 5MΩ	± 30% n/a	± 20% ± 30%
Max. Voltage Lin Log, Alog	250 Vdc n/a	250 Vdc 125 Vdc
Nominal power Lin Log, Alog	50°C (122°F) 0.25 W n/a	70°C (158°F) 0.50 W 0.25 W
Residual resistance ¹	≤ 0.5% Rn (5Ω min.)	
Equivalent noise resistance	≤ 3% Rn (3Ω min.)	
Operating temperature ¹	-40°C to +85°C (-40°F to +185°F)	-40°C to +90°C [-40°F to +194°F]
1 Others available on request		

APPLICATIONS

- ► Appliance program selection
- Thermostat adjustment
- ► Timer and control relays
- ► Consumer electronics
- ▶ Power tool controls

► Test and measurement equipment

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MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS PS-15 PSC-15 Mechanical rotation angle1 265° ± 5° Electrical rotation angle2 240° ± 20° Torque Rotational Stop 0.5 to 2.5 Ncm (0.7 to 3.4 in-oz) > 10 Ncm (>14 in-oz) Life2 Up to 100k cycles Up to 10k cycles

1 Endless rotation available: STS-15 2 Others check availability

ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING

	Test method (CEI 393-1)	PS-15 ∆R(%)- typical test results	PSC-15 ΔR(%) - typical test results
Electrical life	1.000h at 50°C; 0.15W 1.000h at 70°C; 0.33W	±10% n/a	n/a ±5%
Mechanical life	1000 cycles at 10 to 15 cpm	±10% (Rn < 1M)	±3% (Rn < 1 M)
Temperature coefficient	-40°C; +90°C -40°C; +85°C -25°C; +70°C	n/a ±1500 ppm/°C ±1000 ppm/°C	±100 ppm/°C(Rn < 100K) n/a n/a
Thermal cycling	16h at 90°C and 2h at -40°C	±5%	±2.5%
Damp heat	500h at 40°C and 95% relative humidity (RH)	±15%	±5%
Vibration	2h each plane at 10Hz - 55Hz	±3%	±2%
Storage	6 month at 23°C ±2°C and 50% RH	±5%	±5%

Out of range values may not comply with these results. Standard test conditions: temperature:23°C ±2°C and 45% to 70% RH

RECOMMENDED CONNECTIONS

Recommended connection circuit for a position sensor or control application (voltage divider circuit electronic design).



RECOMMENDED REFLOW PROFILE



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1. Ω- Value: XXX - First two digits of Ω-value; XXX - Number of zeros

2. Tolerance: For custom tolerance, please check availability: info@piher.net

3. Life: Higher available. To be studied on request.

- 4. Non-flammable according to UL 94V-0: housing and rotor. PSC-15 made of non-flammable material by standard.
- 5. Torque: No detent option available for low torque models.

STANDARD CONFIGURATION

	PS-15	PSC-15	
Life	10.000 cycles	1.000 cycles	
Non-flammable plastic	no	yes	
Detents	none		
Packaging	reel		
Wiper Position	initial		
Housing color	dark grey	brown	
Rotor color	dark grey	brown	
Torque	0.4 to 2 Ncm		
Linearity	Controlled linearity up to 3% upon request		
Shafts/thumb wheels	Available separately, see PT-15 datasheet for possible options		

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PIHER sensing systems

30%

20%

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For more information on custom tapers contact Piher Sensing Systems.



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Long life versions are available upon request and have the following characteristics at T^a: Potentiometers with 1 to 3 detents up to 10K cycles; Potentiometers with 4 and more detents up to 5K cycles
Please consult Piher Sensing Systems if unique non-overlapping values at each detent position or LOG/ALOG tapers are required.
Different output voltage values can be matched at each detent position [see next section].
Detent torque can vary from 1.2 to 2.5 times the standard potentiometer torque. For all detents versions of more than 13 detents the detent torque will be 0.5 to 3.5 Ncm

STEPPED OUTPUTS / CONSTANT VALUE ZONES





IMPROVED REPEATABILITY

Constant value zones can be combined with strategically located mechanical detents to provide exact alignment between the electrical output (flat areas) and the mechanical detent position. This provides clear mechanical positions that are not only repeatable, but perfectly aligned electrical outputs at each of the (detent) angles. The detents also prevent output values from changing due to vibration or accidental rotor movements. The result is a higher level of precision in controlling lighting, temperature, motor or other electronic control systems.

Contact Piher Sensing Systems for ordering information.

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POSITIONING



Special delivery positions available on request

PACKAGING

Bulk (500 units per box)



Dimensions (mm): 185x85x80





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