## Pickering Series 120

## Single Pole $4 m m^{2 T M}$ Reed Relays

## Up to 1 Amp switching <br> Stacking on $4 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ pitch

## Features

- Highest packing density currently available


## - 3,5 or 12 Volt coils

- Switching up to $1 \mathrm{~A}, 20 \mathrm{~W}$
- 1 Form A (SPST) Normally Open (NO) Energize to make
- Plastic package with internal mu-metal magnetic screen
- Highest quality instrumentation grade switches
- Insulation resistance greater than $10^{12} \Omega$
- $100 \%$ tested for dynamic contact resistance for guaranteed performance

The Series 120 reed relay range takes up the minimum board area making them ideal for very high density applications such as A.T.E. switching matrices or multiplexers. Requiring a board area of only $4 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$, these relays allow the highest packing density currently available.
Two switch types are available, a general purpose sputtered ruthenium switch rated at 15 Watts, 1 Amp ( 3 volt version) or 20 Watts, 1 Amp (5 \& 12 volt versions) and a low level sputtered ruthenium switch rated at 10 Watts, 0.5 Amps .
These are the same reed switches as used in many other long established Pickering ranges but are orientated vertically within the package, allowing this high density. The small size of the package does not allow an internal diode. Back EMF suppression diodes are included in many relay drivers but if they are not, and depending on your drive methods, these may have to be provided externally.
While socketing relays is not normally recommended due to the risk of affecting contact resistance integrity, it is appreciated that sockets may sometimes be desired for ease of servicing/replacement, in the case of a relay being damaged or reaching the end of its working life.
The device has pins on a 2 mm square pitch. There are suitable connectors available from some manufacturers, both SMD and Through Hole, that will allow these relays to be stacked in either a row or in a matrix on a 4 mm pitch.


A total of 528 Series 120 relays on Pickering Interfaces ultra-high-density PXI module illustrates the packing density of these extremely small Reed Relays.

Series 120 switch ratings - The contact ratings for each switch type are shown below:

| Switch <br> No | Switch <br> form | Power rating | Max. <br> switch <br> current | Max. <br> carry <br> current | Max. <br> switching <br> volts | Life expectancy <br> ops typical <br> (see Note ${ }^{1}$ below) | Operate time <br> inc bounce <br> (max) | Release <br> time | Special <br> features |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | A | $15 \mathrm{~W}(3 \mathrm{~V}$ Version $)$ <br> $20 \mathrm{~W}(5 \& 12 \mathrm{~V})$ | 1.0 A | 1.2 A | 200 | $10^{9}$ | 0.5 ms | 0.2 ms | General purpose |
| 2 | A | 10 W | 0.5 A | 1.2 A | 200 | $10^{9}$ | 0.5 ms | 0.2 ms | Low level |

Switch no. 2 is particularly good forswitching low currents and/orvoltages. Itis the ideal switch forA.T.E. systems where cold switching techniques are often used. Where higher power levels are involved, switchno. 1 is more suitable.

## Operating voltages

| Coil voltage - nominal | Must operate voltage - maximum at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | Must release voltage - minimum at $\mathbf{2 5}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 V | 2.25 V | 0.3 V |
| 5 V | 3.75 V | 0.5 V |
| 12 V | 9.0 V | 1.2 V |

## Coil data and type numbers

| Device type | Type Number | Coil <br> (V) | Coil resistance | Max. contact resistance (initial) | Insulation resistance (minimum) |  | Capacitance (typical) (see Note ${ }^{2,3}$ below) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Switch to coil | Across switch | Closed switch to coil | Across open switch |
| 1 Form A (energize to make) | 120-1-A-3/1 | 3 | $200 \Omega$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| General Purpose | 120-1-A-5/1 | 5 | $300 \Omega$ | $0.12 \Omega$ | $10^{12} \Omega$ | $10^{12} \Omega$ | 2.9 pF | 0.25 pF |
| Switch No. 1 | 120-1-A-12/1 | 12 | $800 \Omega$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 Form A (energize to make) | 120-1-A-3/2 | 3 | $200 \Omega$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Low Level Switch No. 2 | $120-1-A-5 / 2$ $120-1-A-12 / 2$ | 5 | $500 \Omega$ | $0.12 \Omega$ | $10^{12} \Omega$ | $10^{12} \Omega$ | 2.9 pF | 0.25 pF |

## Environmental specification

Standard operating temperature range: -20 to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.
Note: The upper temperature limit can be extended to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ if the coil drive voltage is increased to accommodate the resistance/temperature coefficient of the copper coil winding. This is approximately $0.4 \%$ per ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. This means that at $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ the coil drive voltage will need to be increased by approximately $40 \times 0.4=16 \%$ to maintain the required magnetic drive level. Please contact sales@pickeringrelay.com for assistance if necessary.
Vibration: Maximum 20 G
Shock: Maximum 50 G

## Note ${ }^{1}$ Life expectancy

The life of a reed relay depends upon the switch load and end of life criteria. For example, for an 'end of life' contact resistance specification of $1 \Omega$, switching low loads ( 10 V at 10 mA resistive) or when 'cold' switching, typical life is approx $1 \times 10^{9} \mathrm{ops}$. At the maximum load (resistive), typical life is $1 \times 10^{7}$ ops. In the event of abusive conditions, e.g. high currents due to capacitive inrushes, this figure reduces considerably. Pickering will be pleased to perform life testing with any particular load condition.

## Note ${ }^{2}$ Switch to coil capacitance

Due to the asymmetrical internal construction of the relay, the capacitance to the coil from one switch connection is approximately half the capacitance of the other switch connection, pin 1 is lower. In some applications this feature may be used to advantage for example, in a multiplexer where it is desirable to minimize the capacitance of the common connection to maximize bandwidth.

Note ${ }^{3}$ Capacitance across open switch
The capacitance across the open switch was measured with other connections guarded.

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