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COMPACT SIZE LIMIT SWITCHES

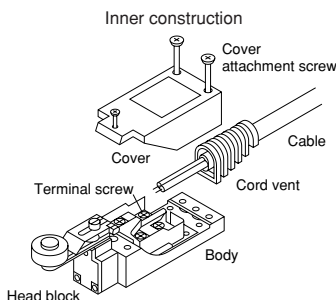
VL (AZ8) Mini Limit Switches

A compact and accurate vertical limit switch. Type with a lamp which makes maintenance convenient; either a neon AC powered lamp or an LED DC powered lamp.



Standard type
(Roller arm) With lamps

The cable can either be screwed in directly, or can use U-shaped and circular pressure terminals.



6. Lamp connection can be either spring type or lead wire type

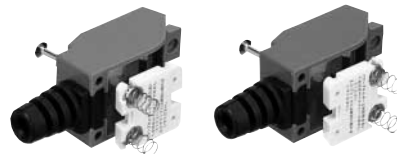
- Spring type (wiring unnecessary)
(With neon or LED lamp type)

Wiring is unnecessary because the lamp is directly connected to the terminals. By simply changing the direction of the lamp holder attachment, it is possible to display both lights during inoperability and during operation (however, if both N.O. and N.C. loads are connected, only the inoperability lamp can be displayed.)

Construction permits lamp attachment method to be changed.

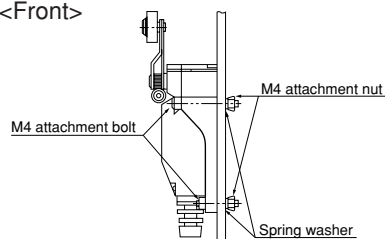
Operating lamp

Inoperability lamp
(with shipping)

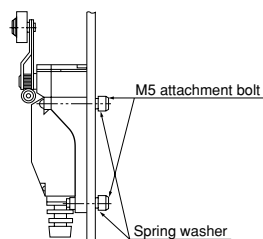


4. Mounting are possible to both front and back

<Front>



<Back>



5. Type with a lamp that can be used with a wide range of voltages

- With neon lamp
Compatible with: **100 and 200V AC**;
Even at 100V AC, sufficient luminosity is achieved through the diamond-cut lens. Also with a long lifespan of more than 20 thousand hours.

- With LED lamp
Covers 6 to 48V DC and comes in three types, **6V DC**, **12V DC**, **24 to 48V DC**
Uses two highly luminescent LEDs and in addition, sufficient luminosity is achieved through the diamond-cut lens.

- Lead wiring type <Current leakage: 0>
(LED lamp type only)

Because the wiring can be made parallel to the load, current leakage from the lamp can be reduced to 0. Even with a slight leak, the electronic circuit incurring the leak can be used safely.

7. Dust-proof, waterproof, oil resistant construction

The main unit and the cover are sealed with rubber packing, and the cord runner is doubly sealed by the cord vent. The actuator is sealed by both a rubber cap and an O ring in all models. Also, the lens and cover are formed simultaneously with the lamp type, and moreover, a nameplate is affixed to the upper surface, thereby improving the already excellent waterproof capabilities. (Note: Applications directly involving the cord entrance and the locations which are always wet and oily, or submersion in water or oil, cannot be used.)

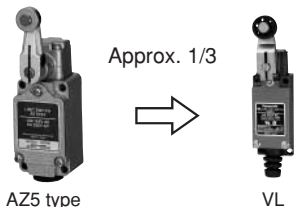
TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

Ideal for general plant facilities such as engineering machinery, conveyer machinery, and assembly lines
LED lamp type is also compatible with low-voltage DC control circuits such as in PCs and computers.

Compliance with RoHS Directive

FEATURES

1. Compact design approximately 1/3 of the AZ5 limit switches



Approx. 1/3

AZ5 type

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2. Au-clad contacts that can even use low level circuit and little chattering and bouncing

The built-in switch has Au-clad contacts with excellent contact reliability and uses a crossbar contact method, and moreover, has a dual cutoff circuit (1 Form A 1 Form B contact) with little chattering and bouncing due to computer-operated analysis.

3. Easy wiring with full-open terminals

When the cover is removed, the terminals are open as far as the flank, so the necessity to insert your fingers into a case to complete the wiring has been removed. Moreover, the wiring space is large despite the compact size, and the terminals are spread in a tiered array, so that wiring work can be completed very easily.



PRODUCT TYPE

1. Standard type

Actuator	Part No.
Push plunger	AZ8111
Roller plunger	AZ8112
Cross roller plunger	AZ8122
Roller arm	AZ8104
Adjustable roller arm	AZ8108
Adjustable rod	AZ8107
Flexible rod	AZ8166
Spring wire	AZ8169

Note) When ordering an overseas-specified product, refer to the "FOREIGN STANDARDS" given below.

2. With neon lamp

Lamp connection	Actuator	Lamp rating	Part No.
Spring type	Push plunger	100 to 200V AC	AZ811106
	Roller plunger		AZ811206
	Cross roller plunger		AZ812206
	Roller arm		AZ810406
	Adjustable roller arm		AZ810806
	Adjustable rod		AZ810706
	Flexible rod		AZ816606
	Spring wire		AZ816906

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3. With LED

Lamp connection	Actuator	Lamp rating	
		12V DC	24 to 48V DC
		Part No.	
Spring type	Push plunger	AZ8111161	AZ811116
	Roller plunger	AZ8112161	AZ811216
	Cross roller plunger	AZ8122161	AZ812216
	Roller arm	AZ8104161	AZ810416
	Adjustable roller arm	AZ8108161	AZ810816
	Adjustable rod	AZ8107161	AZ810716
	Flexible rod	AZ8166161	AZ816616
	Spring wire	AZ8169161	AZ816916
Lead wire type	Push plunger	AZ8111661	AZ811166
	Roller plunger	AZ81122661	AZ811266
	Cross roller plunger	AZ8122661	AZ812266
	Roller arm	AZ8104661	AZ810466
	Adjustable roller arm	AZ8108661	AZ810866
	Adjustable rod	AZ8107661	AZ810766
	Flexible rod	AZ8166661	AZ816666
	Spring wire	AZ8169661	AZ816966

Notes) 1. LED rating 6V DC type is available. When ordering, add suffix 162(spring type) or 662(lead wire type) to the standard part No.

2. The 24 to 48V DC rated lamp is recommended for PC input use.

3. The roller arm and adjustable roller arm are available with metal rollers on a custom-made basis. Please inquire.

4. Option

	Application	Part No.
VL limit conduit adapter	VL, VL with lamp, VL-T	AZ8801

FOREIGN STANDARDS

Standard	Applicable product	Part No.
UL	File No. : E122222 Ratings : 5A 250V AC Pilot duty B300 Product type : Standard model, with neon lamp	Order by standard part No. However, add "9" to the end of the part No. for the model with neon lamp.
C-UL	File No. : E122222 Ratings : 5A 250V AC Pilot duty B300 Product type : Standard model, with neon lamp	
TÜV	File No. : J9551203 Ratings : AC-15 2A/250V~ Product type : Standard model only	Order by standard part No.



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SPECIFICATIONS

1. Rating

1) Standard type

Rated control voltage	Load	Resistive load (cos $\phi \approx 1$)	Inductive load (cos $\phi \approx 0.4$)
125V AC		5A	3A
250V AC		5A	2A
125V DC		0.4A	0.1A

2) Types with neon lamp and with LED

Types	Rated control voltage	Resistive load (cos $\phi \approx 1$)	Inductive load (cos $\phi \approx 0.4$)
With Neon lamp	125V AC	5A	3A
	240V AC	5A	2A
With LED	24V DC	3A	—

2. Characteristics

Contact arrangement		1 Form A 1 Form B
Initial contact resistance, max.		15m Ω (By voltage drop 6 to 8V DC at rated current)
Contact material		Gold clad silver alloy (cadmium free)
Initial insulation resistance (At 500V DC)		Min. 100M Ω
Initial breakdown voltage		1,000Vrms for 1 min Between non-consecutive terminals 2,000Vrms for 1 min Between dead metal parts and each terminal 2,000Vrms for 1 min Between ground and each terminal
Shock resistance max.	In the free position	Max. 98m/s ² {10G}
	In the full operating position	Max. 294m/s ² {30G}
Vibration resistance		Standard type: Max. 55Hz Type with indicator: 10 to 50Hz, double amplitude of 1.5mm
Expected life (Min. operations)	Mechanical	10 ⁷ (at 120 cpm)
	Electrical	3 $\times 10^5$ (at rated resistive load) 5 $\times 10^5$ (Magnetic contactor FC-100 200V AC load)
	Life of lamp	Min. 2 $\times 10^4$ hours (Neon lamp type)
Ambient temperature/Ambient humidity		-20 to +60°C -4 to +140°F/Max. 95%
Max. operating speed		120 cpm

3. EN60947-5-1 performance

Item	Rating
Rated insulation voltage (Ui)	250VAC
Rated impulse withstand voltage (Uimp)	2.5kV
Switching overvoltage	2.5kV
Rated enclosed thermal current (Ithe)	5A
Conditional short-circuit current	100A
Short-circuit protection device	10A fuse
Protective construction	IP64
Pollution degree	3

4. Operating characteristics

Characteristics	O.F. (N {gf}) max.	R.F. (N {gf}) min.	Pretravel (P.T.), max. mm inch	Movement Differential (M.D.), max. mm inch	Overtravel (O.T.), min. mm inch	Totaltravel (T.T.), min. mm inch
Actuator						
Push plunger						
Roller plunger	8.83 {900}	1.47 {150}	1.5 .059	0.7 .028	4 .028	5.5 .217
Cross roller plunger						
Roller arm	5.88 {600}	0.49 {50}	20°	10°	75°	95°
Adjustable roller arm	7.84 {800}~3.35 {342}	0.49 {50}~0.21 {21}	20°	10°	75°	95°
Adjustable rod	7.84 {800}~1.99 {203}	0.49 {50}~0.12 {12}	20°	10°	75°	95°
Flexible rod spring wire	0.88 {90}	—	30 (1.181)	—	20 (.787)	50 (1.969)

*Characteristics measured at bent condition: min. radius 100mm 3.937inch.

Notes) 1. Keep the total travel values in the specified range. Otherwise the actuator force may rise to several times the operating force, resulting in a mechanical failure or much shorter service life.

2. For the operating characteristics, refer to the TECHNICAL INFORMATION.

5. Protective construction

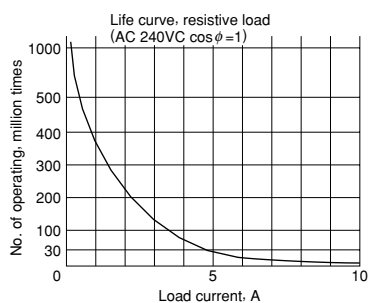
Protective construction	VL Mini limit switch	VL Mini limit switch (with lamp)
IEC		
IP60	○	○
IP64	○	○

6.Lamp rating

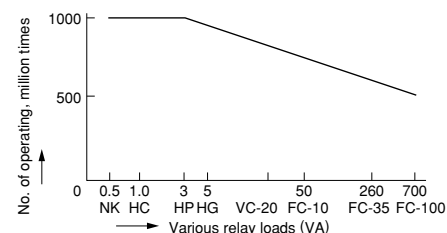
Types	Rated operating voltage	Operating voltage range	Internal resister
Neon lamp	100 to 200V AC	80 to 240V AC	120k Ω
	6V DC	5 to 15V DC	2.4k Ω
LED	12V DC	9 to 28V DC	4.7k Ω
	24 to 48V DC	20 to 55V DC	15k Ω

DATA

1. Life curve



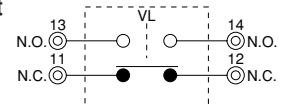
2. Actual load life curve (relay coil load)



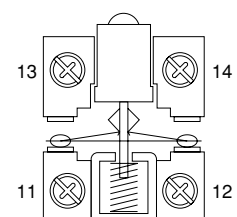
Note: The FC magnetic contactor series is 200V AC. The NK is 2 Form C 24V DC type.

WIRING DIAGRAM

Output circuit



Terminal



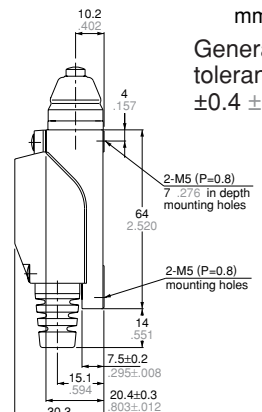
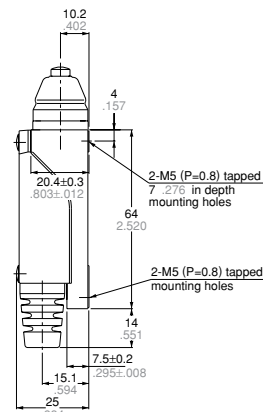
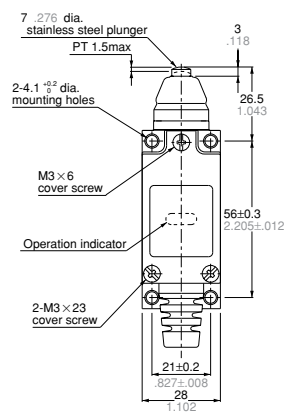


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DIMENSIONS

Push plunger
Standard type
AZ8111

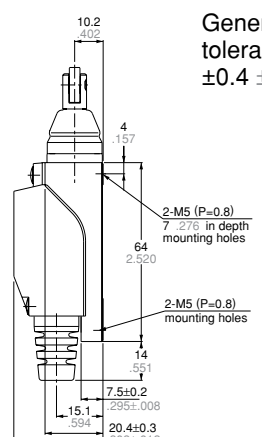
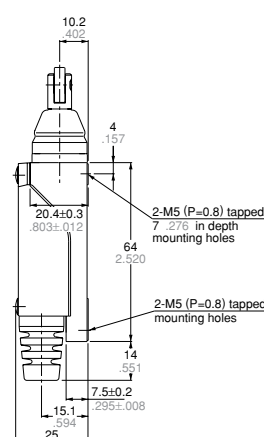
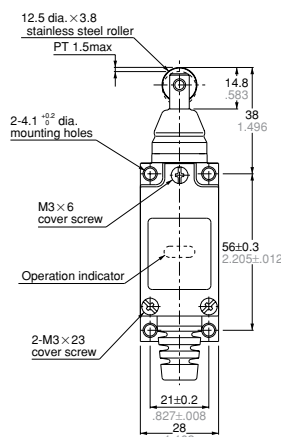


Standard type

With lamp

General
tolerance:
 $\pm 0.4 \pm .016$

Roller plunger
Standard type
AZ8112

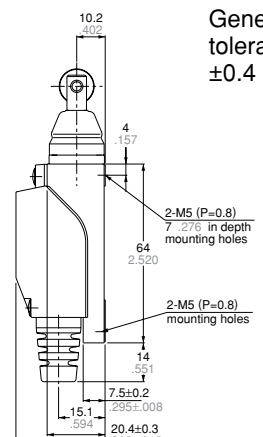
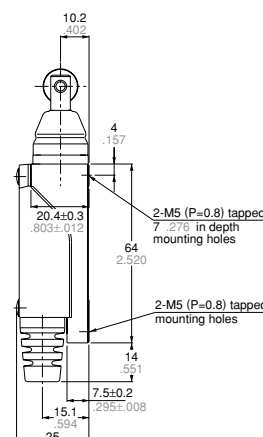
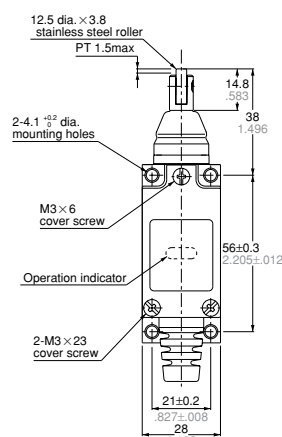


Standard type

With lamp

General
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Cross roller plunger
Standard type
AZ8122



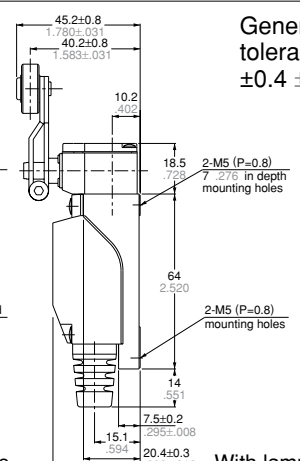
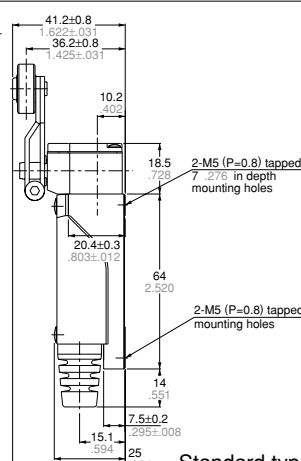
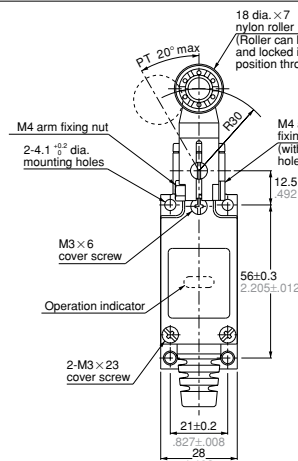
Standard type

With lamp

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Roller arm
Standard type
AZ8104

Weight: 156.5g



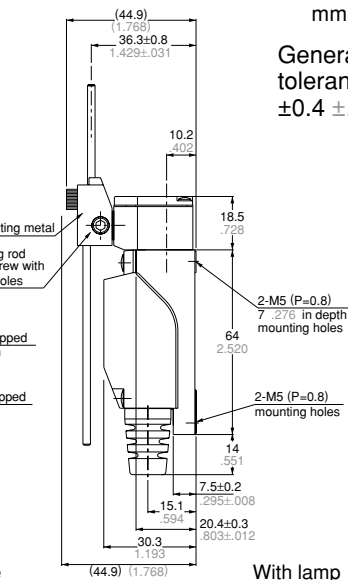
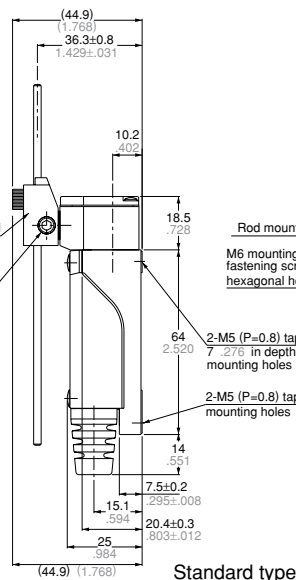
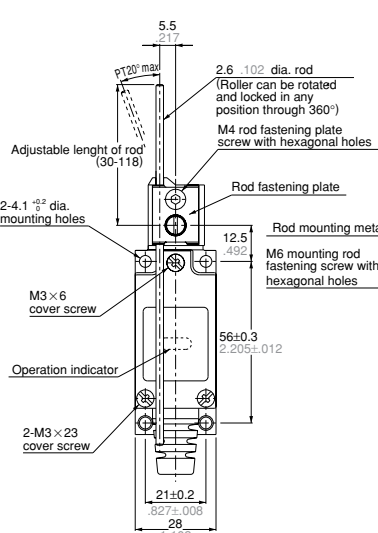
Standard type

With lamp

General
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Adjustable rod
Standard type
AZ8107



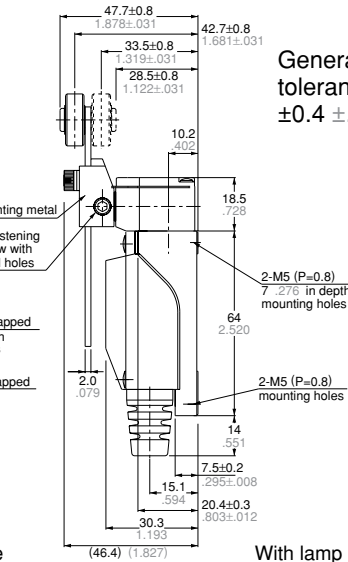
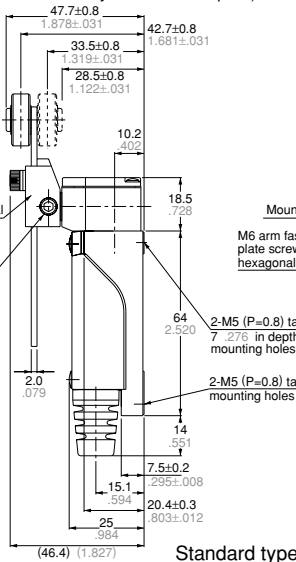
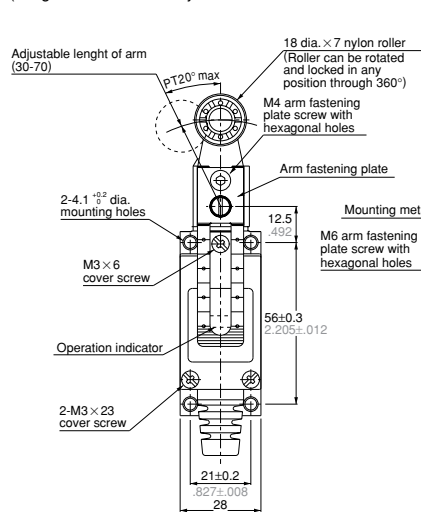
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General tolerance:
±0.4 ±.016

Adjustable roller arm
Standard type
AZ8108



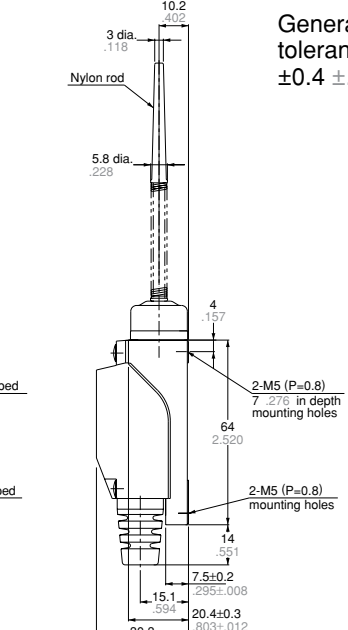
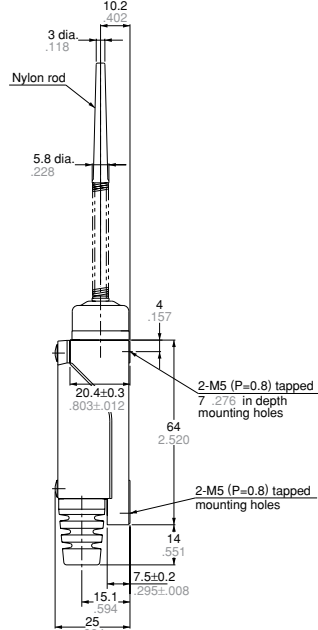
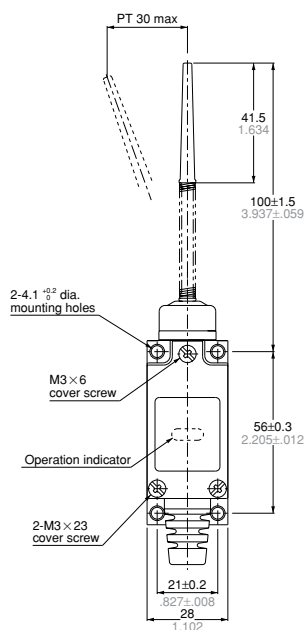
(Length of arm can be adjustable within 30 to 70mm 1.181 to 2.756inch by 1mm .039inch pitch)



General tolerance:
±0.4 ±.016

Flexible rod type (Should be used with less than 50mm 1.969inch of T.T.)
Standard type
AZ8166

Weight: 112g



General tolerance:
±0.4 ±.016



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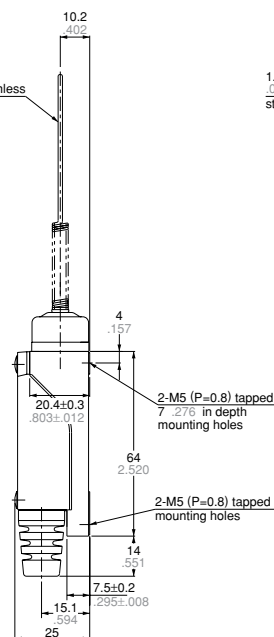
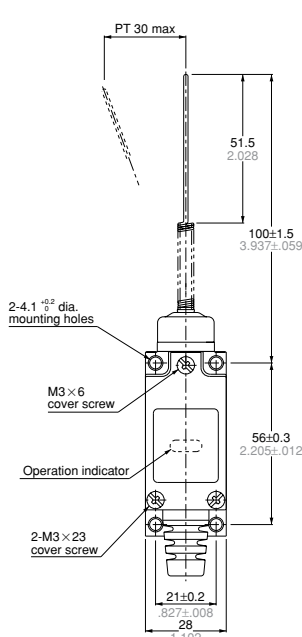
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Spring wire (Should be used with less than 50mm 1.969inch of T.T.)

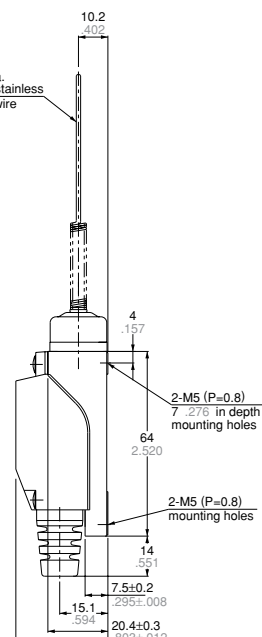
Standard type
AZ8169

Weight: 112g

General tolerance: $\pm 0.4 \pm .016$



Standard type



With lamp

OPTION

VL Limit Conduit Adapter



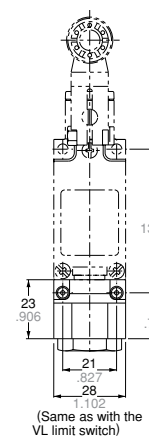
AZ8801

Applicable wire

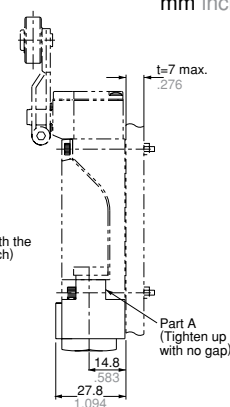
Electric wire name	Finished outside diameter
Vinyl cabtire cord (VCTF)	8.7 to 11 dia.
Vinyl cabtire cable (VCT)	.343 to .433 dia.



(A set of mounting hex. socket screws is supplied.)



(Front)



(Side)

Note: Diagram shows adapter when installed to an AZ8104.



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LAMP LIGHTING CIRCUIT

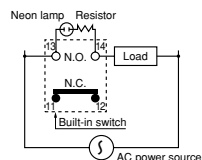
1. Spring type

1) When connecting load to N.O. side: When the switch is at free position, the lamp is lit, and when the switch operates, the lamp turns off. (Use the lamp holder in the same condition as when it was at the time of shipment.)

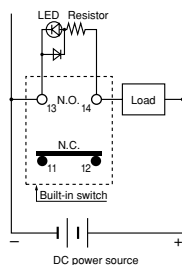
2) When connecting load to N.C. side: When connecting switch is at free position, the lamp turns off, and when the switch operates, the lamp is lit. (Use the lamp holder, changing it direction by 180°.)

3) When connecting loads to both N.O. and N.C. sides: Same as in 1). (Use the lamp holder in the same condition as when it was at the time of shipment. In this case, it is impossible to use it, changing its direction by 180°.)

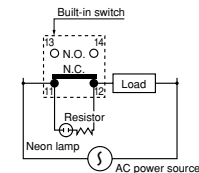
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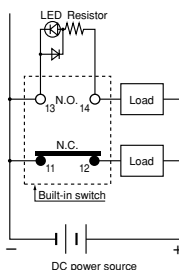
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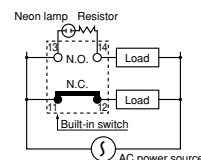
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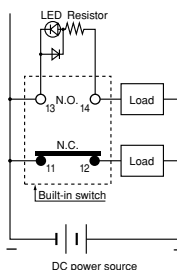
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(With neon lamp)



(With LED)

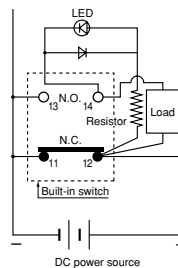


2. Lead wire type (only for types with LED)

1) When giving indication on N.O. side and N.C. side, operation is same as that in the case of the spring type. However, when load is connected to both N.O. side and N.C. side, indication can be given on both N.C. side and N.O. side.

2) When the indication circuit is connected with load in parallel: Load performs the same operation as the indication circuit does. (When load operates, the lamp is lit, and when load is turned off, the lamp goes out.)

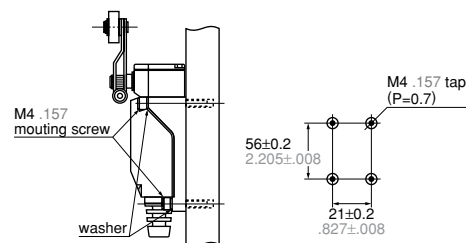
- More loads than for one circuit cannot be controlled.
- There is no leakage current.



MOUNTING DIMENSIONS

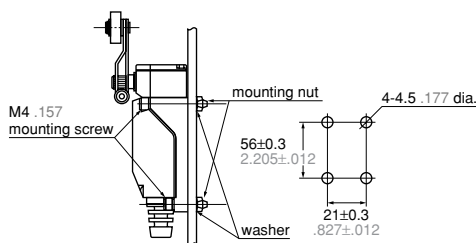
1. Surface mounting

1) When installation hole is tapped.



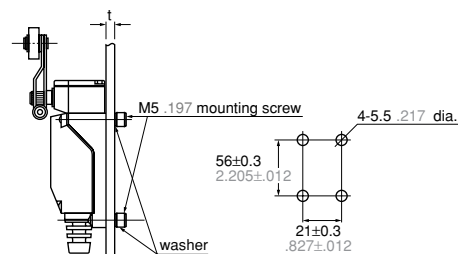
Depth of screw holes > 15mm .591inch

2) Through hole mounting



Thickness of panel < 5mm .197inch

2. Rear mounting

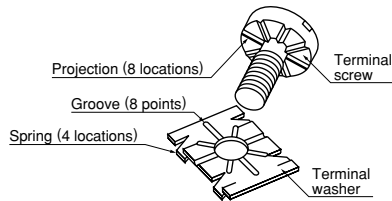
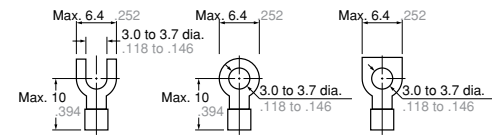
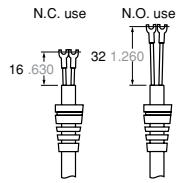
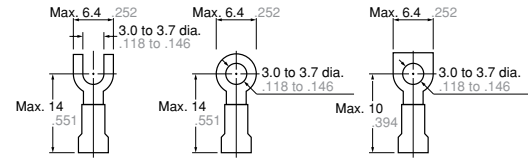


Length of bolt < panel thickness t+7mm .276inch

mm inch

**WIRING** (unit: mm inch)**1. Insulation distance greater than 6.4 mm**

Reinforced plastic with superior electrical insulation characteristics is used in the wiring and charging sections. Despite its compactness, to maintain stable insulation performance, the insulation distance for each part is greater than 6.4 mm without using an insulation sheet. (Complies with UL, CSA, and VDE.)

2. Includes ground terminal**3. Loose stop terminals used.****Applicable fasten terminal****Fasten terminal****With insulated grip****Applicable wire**

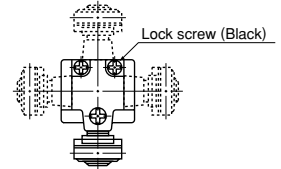
Wire name	Applicable wire		
	Wire-strand	Conductor	Finished outside diameter
Vinyl cabtire cord (VCTF)	2-wire 3-wire 4-wire	0.75mm ² -1.25mm ² 2.0mm ² 0.75mm ² -1.25mm ²	Round shape 6 dia. to 9 dia. Flat shape Max. 9.4
Vinyl cabtire cable (VCT)	2-wire	0.75mm ²	
600V vinyl insulation sealed cable (VVF)	2-wire	1.0 dia. to 1.2 dia.	
		1.6 dia.	

Head block direction change

(Roller arm, adjustable roller arm, adjustable rod types)

Actuator heads

may be moved in 90° increments to any of four directions, by removing one screw.

**CAUTIONS****1. Over travel (O.T.)**

1) When overtravel is too large, life is shortened due to possible damage to the mechanism. Please use in the following appropriate range.

Types	Overtravel
Plunger (AZ8111, 8112, 8122)	1.5 to 2.0mm .059 to .079inch
Roller Arm (AZ8104, 8107, 8108)	20 to 30°
Flexible Rod (AZ8166, 8169)	15 to 20mm .591 to .787inch (at the top)

2. Ambient conditions

1) Because these switches are not of immersion protected construction, their use in water or oil should be avoided. Also, locations where water or oil can normally impinge upon the switch or where there is an excessive accumulation of dust should be avoided.
2) The use of these switches under the following conditions should be avoided. If the following conditions should become necessary, we recommend consulting us first.

- Use where there will be direct contact with organic solvents, strong acids or alkalis, or direct exposure to their vapors.

- Use where inflammable or corrosive gases exist.
- 3) Use within an ambient temperature of -20 to +60°C -4 to +140°F. (However, do not allow it to freeze.)
- 4) In order to maintain the reliability at a high level under practical conditions of use, the actual operating conditions should be checked for the benefit of the quality of the product.
- 5) If OT is too big, the life of limit switch will be shortened switching friction. Use it with enough margin of OT. 70% of OT standard value will be good for use.
- 6) Do not use the switch in a silicon atmosphere. Case should be taken where organic silicon rubber, adhesive, sealing material, oil, grease or lead wire generates silicon.
- 7) When wiring, do not connect the lead wires directly to the terminals, but use the crimp terminals and tighten them to a torque of 0.39 to 0.59 N·m {4 to 6 kg·cm}.
- 8) Avoid use in excessively dusty environments where actuator operation would be hindered.

9) When used outdoors (in places where there is exposure to direct sunlight or rain such as in multistory car parks) or in environments where ozone is generated, the influence of these environments may cause deterioration of the rubber material. Please consult us if you intend to use a switch in environments such as these.
10) Do not store in places where organic gas might be generated or in places of high dust content or high humidity.

3. Installation

- 1) Tighten the three cover installation screws equally. Tightening torque is 0.2 to 0.29 N·m (2 to 3 kg·cm).
- 2) Avoid having extra cord length pushed into the cord vent. Any extra length when wiring should be allowed to rest in its natural position.



VL (AZ8)

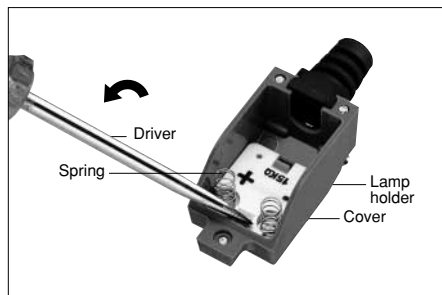
4. Lamp holder

1) As shown in the photograph, wrench a minus-driver in the gap between the cover and the part of the indicator holder indicated by the arrow in the direction of insertion, and raise the lamp a little.

2) After removing the indicator holder, insert it in the reverse direction, and push it in until a snap is heard.

3) After changing the direction of the indicator holder, put the cover on it in such a way that the spring touches the top of the terminal screw.

(Unless the spring rests completely on the terminal screw, distortion of the spring, failure in lighting of the lamp or short circuit may result.)



5. Spring type

1) When loads are connected to both N.O. and N.C. only the indication at non-operation time can be used.

2) Take special care not to damage or deform the contact spring during change of indicator holder direction or during connection work.

3) In the case of VL limit switch with neon lamp, if the lamp is connected in series in a 100V circuit, the lamp ceases to be lighted.

However, for a 200V circuit, up to 2 lamps can be connected in series.

6. Lead type

1) When loads are connected to both N.O. and N.C. indication can be given on both N.O. and N.C. sides, but it is impossible to connect the indication circuit to the load in series and parallel.