

### Endurance of the main contacts

The characteristic curves show the contact endurance of the contactors when switching inductive AC loads (AC-3) depending on the breaking current and rated operational voltage. It is assumed that the operating mechanisms are switched randomly, i.e. not synchronized with the phase angle of the supply system.

The rated operational current  $I_e$  complies with utilization category AC-4 (breaking six times the rated operational current) and is intended for a contact endurance of at least 200 000 operating cycles. If a shorter endurance is sufficient, the rated operational current  $I_e/AC-4$  can be increased.

If the contacts are used for mixed operation, i.e. normal switching (breaking the rated operational current according to utilization category AC-3) in combination with intermittent inching (breaking several times the rated operational current according to utilization category AC-4), the contact endurance can be calculated approximately from the following equation:

$$X = \frac{A}{1 + \frac{C}{100} \left( \frac{A}{B} - 1 \right)}$$

Characters in the equation:

$X$  = Contact endurance for mixed operation in operating cycles

$A$  = Contact endurance for normal operation ( $I_a = I_e$ ) in operating cycles

$B$  = Contact endurance for inching ( $I_a$  = multiple of  $I_e$ ) in operating cycles

$C$  = Inching operations as a percentage of total switching operations

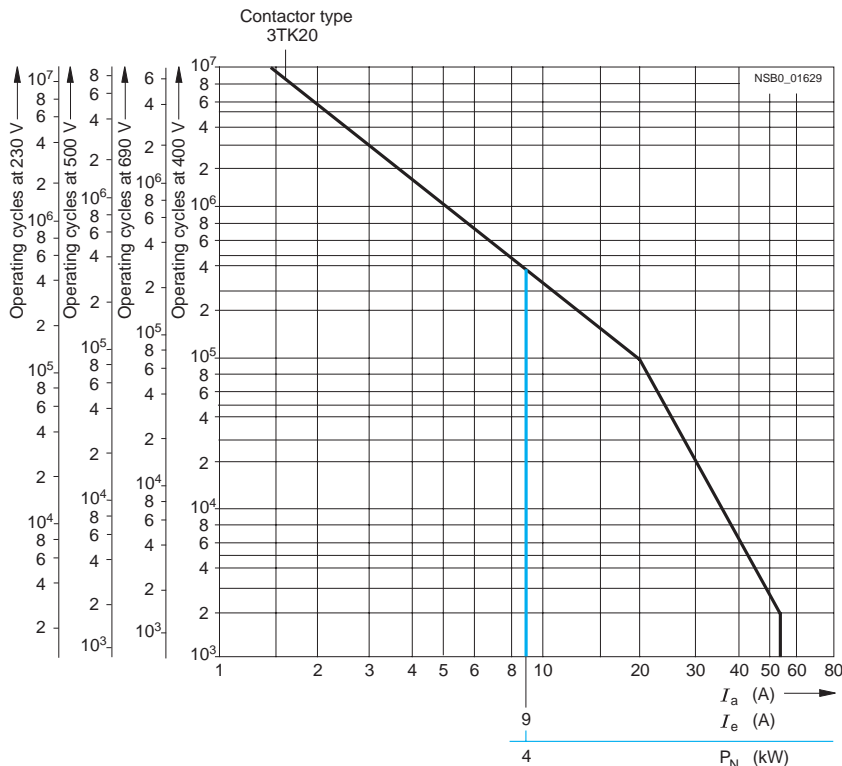


Diagram legend:

$P_N$  = Rated power for squirrel-cage motors at 400 V

$I_a$  = Breaking current

$I_e$  = Rated operational current

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3TK20 Contactors

4-pole, 4 kW

Contactor			3TK20
Type			
General data			
Permissible mounting positions	AC and DC operation		Any
Mechanical endurance	AC operation	Operating cycles	10 million
	DC operation		30 million
	Auxiliary switch block		10 million
Rated insulation voltage $U_i$ (degree of pollution 3)			
• Screw terminals	V		690
• Flat connector 6.3 mm x 0.8 mm	V		500
• Solder pin connections	V		500
Rated impulse withstand voltage $U_{imp}$ (degree of pollution 3)			
• Screw terminals	kV		8
• Flat connector 6.3 mm x 0.8 mm	kV		6
• Solder pin connections	kV		6
Safe isolation between coil and main contacts (acc. to DIN VDE 0106 Part 101 and A1 [draft 2/89])		V	up to 300
Permissible ambient temperature <sup>1)</sup>	During operation	°C	-25 ... +55
	During storage	°C	-55 ... +80
Degree of protection acc. to EN 60947-1 Appendix C			IP00 open IP20 for screw terminal IP40 coil assembly
Touch protection acc. to EN 50274			Finger-safe for screw terminal
Shock resistance			
Rectangular pulse	AC operation	g/ms	8.3/5 and 5.2/10
	DC operation	g/ms	11.3/5 and 9.2/10
Sine pulse	AC operation	g/ms	13/5 and 8/10
	DC operation	g/ms	17.4/5 and 12.9/10
Conductor cross-sections			2)
Short-circuit protection for contactors without overload relays			
Main circuit <sup>3)</sup>			
• Fuse links gL/gG LV HRC 3NA, DIAZED 5SB, NEOZED 5SE - acc. to IEC 60947-4-1 (VDE 0660, Part 102)	Type of coordination "1"	A	25
	Type of coordination "2" <sup>4)</sup>	A	10
	Weld-free	A	10
		A	10
• Miniature circuit breaker with C characteristic			A 10
Auxiliary circuit			
Short-circuit current $I_k \geq 1$ kA			
• Fuse links gL/gG DIAZED 5SB, NEOZED 5SE	A		6

1) Applies to 50/60 Hz coil:  
At 50 Hz, 1.1 x  $U_s$ , , side-by-side mounting and 100 % ON period the max. ambient temperature is +40 °C.

2) See page 3/114.

3) According to excerpt from IEC 60947-4-1 (VDE 0660 Part 102  
Type of coordination "1"  
Destruction of the contactor and the overload relay is permissible. The contactor and/or overload relay can be replaced if necessary.  
Type of coordination "2":  
The overload relay must not suffer any damage. Contact welding on the contactor is permissible, however, if the contacts can be easily separated.

4) A short-circuit current of  $I_q \leq 6$  kA applies to type of coordination "2".

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Control				
Magnetic coil operating range <sup>1)</sup>			0.8 ... 1.1 x U <sub>s</sub>	
Power consumption of the magnetic coils (when coil is cold and 1.0 x U <sub>s</sub> )				
Standard version				
AC operation, 50 Hz	Closing	VA	15	
	• P.f.		0.41	
	Closed	VA	6.8	
AC operation, 60 Hz	• P.f.		0.42	
	Closing	VA	14.4	
	• P.f.		0.36	
AC operation, 50/60 Hz <sup>1)</sup>	Closed	VA	6.1	
	• P.f.		0.46	
	Closing	VA	16.5/13.2	
For USA and Canada	• P.f.		0.43/0.38	
	Closed	VA	8.0/5.4	
	• P.f.		0.48/0.42	
AC operation, 50 Hz	Closing	VA	14.6	
	• P.f.		0.38	
	Closed	VA	6.5	
AC operation, 60 Hz	• P.f.		0.40	
	Closing	VA	14.4	
	• P.f.		0.30	
DC operation	Closed	VA	6.0	
	• P.f.		0.44	
	Closing = Closed	W	3	
Permissible residual current of the electronic circuit <sup>2)</sup> (for 0 signal)				
	AC operation	mA	≤ 3 x (230 V/U <sub>s</sub> )	
	DC operation	mA	≤ 1 x (230 V/U <sub>s</sub> )	
Operating times at 0.8 ... 1.1 x U <sub>s</sub> <sup>3)</sup>				
Total break time = Opening delay + Arcing time				
Values apply with coil in cold state and at operating temperature for operating range				
• AC operation	Closing delay	ms	5 ... 19	
	Opening delay	ms	2 ... 22	
Dead interval			To use the 3TK20 AC-operated contactor in reversing duty an additional dead interval of 50 ms is required along with an NC contact interlock.	
• DC operation	Closing delay	ms	16 ... 65	
	Opening delay	ms	2 ... 5	
Arcing time		ms	10 ... 15	
Operating times at 1.0 x U <sub>s</sub> <sup>3)</sup>				
• AC operation	Closing delay	ms	5 ... 18	
	Opening delay	ms	3 ... 21	
Dead interval			To use the 3TK20 AC-operated contactor in reversing duty an additional dead interval of 50 ms is required along with an NC contact interlock.	
• DC operation	Closing delay	ms	19 ... 31	
	Opening delay	ms	3 ... 4	
Arcing time		ms	10 ... 15	

1) Applies to 50/60 Hz coil:  
At 50 Hz, 1.1 x U<sub>s</sub>, side-by-side mounting and 100 % ON period the max. ambient temperature is +40 °C.

2) The 3TX4 490-1J additional load module is recommended for higher residual currents (see Catalog LV 1).

3) The OFF-delay of the NO contacts and ON-delay of the NC contacts increase if the contactor coils are protected against voltage peaks (noise suppression diode 6 to 10 times, diode assemblies 2 to 6 times, varistor +2 to 5 ms).

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4-pole, 4 kW

Contactor	Type		3TK20 ..-0...	3TK20 ..-3..., 3TK20 ..-6..., 3TK20 ..-7...
Size 00				
Main circuit				
AC capacity				
Utilization category AC-1, switching resistive loads				
Rated operational current $I_e$ (at 40 °C)	up to 400/380 V	A	18	18
	690/660 V	A	18	--
Rated operational current $I_e$ (at 55 °C)	400/380 V	A	16	16
	690/660 V	A	16	--
Rated power of AC loads P.f. = 1	at 230/220 V	kW	6.0	6.0
	400/380 V	kW	10	10
	500 V	kW	13	13
	690/660 V	kW	17	--
Minimum conductor cross-section for loads with $I_e$		mm <sup>2</sup>	2.5	2.5
Utilization category AC-2 and AC-3				
Rated operational current $I_e$	up to 220 V	A	9.0	9.0
	230 V	A	9.0	9.0
	380 V	A	9.0	9.0
	400 V	A	8.4	8.4
	500 V	A	6.5	6.5
	660 V	A	5.2	--
	690 V	A	5.2	--
Rated power for motors with slip ring or squirrel-cage rotors at 50 Hz and 60 Hz and	at 110 V	kW	1.2	1.2
	115 V	kW	1.2	1.2
	120 V	kW	1.3	1.3
	127 V	kW	1.4	1.4
	200 V	kW	2.2	2.2
	220 V	kW	2.4	2.4
	230 V	kW	2.5	2.5
	240 V	kW	2.6	2.6
	380 V	kW	4.0	4.0
	400 V	kW	4.0	4.0
	415 V	kW	4.0	4.0
	440 V	kW	4.0	4.0
	460 V	kW	4.0	4.0
	500 V	kW	4.0	4.0
	575 V	kW	4.0	--
	660 V	kW	4.0	--
	690 V	kW	4.0	--
Utilization category AC-4				
(contact endurance approx. 200000 operating cycles at $I_a = 6 \times I_e$ )				
Rated operational current $I_e$	up to 400 V	A	2.6	2.6
	690 V	A	1.8	--
Rated power for motors with squirrel-cage rotor at 50 and 60 Hz and	at 110 V	kW	0.32	0.32
	115 V	kW	0.33	0.33
	120 V	kW	0.35	0.35
Max. permissible rated operational current $I_{\theta}$ /AC-4 $\cong$ $I_{\theta}$ /AC-3 up to 500 V, for reduced contact endurance and reduced switching frequency	127 V	kW	0.37	0.37
	200 V	kW	0.58	0.58
	220 V	kW	0.64	0.64
	230 V	kW	0.67	0.67
	240 V	kW	0.70	0.70
	380 V	kW	1.10	1.10
	400 V	kW	1.15	1.15
	415 V	kW	1.20	1.20
	440 V	kW	1.27	1.27
	460 V	kW	1.33	1.33
	500 V	kW	1.45	1.45
	575 V	kW	1.30	--
	660 V	kW	1.10	--
	690 V	kW	1.15	--

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4-pole, 4 kW

Contactor	Type	3TK20 ...0...		3TK20 ...3..., 3TK20 ...6..., 3TK20 ...7...	
Size 00					
Main circuit					
AC capacity					
Utilization category AC-5a, switching gas discharge lamps					
Per main current path at 230/220 V					
Rated power per lamp	Rated operational current per lamp (A)				
Uncorrected					
L 18 W	0.37	Units	43		
L 36 W	0.43	Units	37		
L 58 W	0.67	Units	23		
Lead-lag circuit					
L 18 W	011	Units	144		
L 36 W	0.21	Units	76		
L 58 W	0.32	Units	50		
Switching gas discharge lamps with correction, solid-state ballast					
Per main current path at 230/220 V					
Rated power per lamp	Capacitance (µF)	Rated operational current per lamp (A)			
Parallel correction					
L 18 W	4.5	0.11	Units	22	
L 36 W	4.5	0.21	Units	22	
L 58 W	7	0.31	Units	14	
With solid-state ballast (single lamp)					
L 18 W	6.8	0.10	Units	63	
L 36 W	6.8	0.18	Units	35	
L 58 W	10	0.27	Units	23	
With solid-state ballast (two lamps)					
L 18 W	10	0.18	Units	35	
L 36 W	10	0.35	Units	18	
L 58 W	22	0.52	Units	12	
Utilization category AC-5b, switching incandescent lamps		kW	1.6	--	
Per main current path at 230/220 V					
Utilization category AC-6a, switching AC transformers					
Rated operational current I <sub>e</sub>					
• For inrush current n = 20	at 400 V	A	5.1	5.1	
• For inrush current n = 30	at 400 V	A	3.3	3.3	
Rated power P					
• For inrush current n = 20	up to 230/220 V	kVA	2.0	2.0	
	400/380 V	kVA	3.5	3.5	
	500 V	kVA	4.6	4.6	
	690/660 V	kVA	6.0	--	
• For inrush current n = 30	up to 230/220 V	kVA	1.3	1.3	
	400/380 V	kVA	2.3	2.3	
	500 V	kVA	3.1	3.1	
	690/660 V	kVA	4.0	--	
For deviating inrush current factors x, the power must be recalculated as follows: P <sub>x</sub> = P <sub>n,30</sub> x (30/x)					
Utilization category AC-6b, switching low-inductance (low-loss, metallized dielectric) AC capacitors		No switching capacity			
Utilization category AC-7a, switching low inductive loads in household appliances					
Rated operational current I <sub>e</sub> (at 55 °C)	at 400/380 V	A	16	16	
	690/660 V	A	16	--	
Rated power at 50 and 60 Hz	at 230/220 V	kW	6	6	
	400/380 V	kW	10	10	
Minimum conductor cross-section for loads with I <sub>e</sub>		mm <sup>2</sup>	2.5	2.5	
Utilization category AC-7b, switching motor loads in household appliances					
Rated operational current I <sub>e</sub>	up to 220 V	A	9.0	9.0	
	230 V	A	9.0	9.0	
	380 V	A	9.0	9.0	
	400 V	A	8.4	8.4	
Rated power of motors at 50 and 60 Hz and	at 110 V	kW	1.2	1.2	
	220 V	kW	2.4	2.4	
	230 V	kW	2.5	2.5	
	240 V	kW	2.6	2.6	
	380 V	kW	4.0	4.0	
	400 V	kW	4.0	4.0	

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4-pole, 4 kW

Contactor	Type	3TK20 ...0...	3TK20 ...-3..., 3TK20 ...-6..., 3TK20 ...-7...
Size 00			
Main circuit			
DC capacity			
Utilization category DC-1, switching resistive loads (contact endurance $0.1 \times 10^6$ operating cycles; $L/R \leq 1$ ms) Rated operational current $I_e$ (at 55 °C)			
• 1 conducting path	up to 24 V A 60 V A 110 V A 220/240 V A	16 6 2 1	16 6 2 1
• 2 conducting paths in series	up to 24 V A 60 V A 110 V A 220/240 V A	16 16 6 2	16 16 6 2
• 3 conducting paths in series	up to 24 V A 60 V A 110 V A 220/240 V A	16 16 16 6	16 16 16 6
Utilization category DC-3 and DC-5, shunt-wound and series-wound motors ( $L/R \leq 15$ ms) Rated operational current $I_e$ (at 55 °C)			
• 1 conducting path	up to 24 V A 60 V A 110 V A 220/240 V A	6 3 0.5 0.1	6 3 0.5 0.1
• 2 conducting paths in series	up to 24 V A 60 V A 110 V A 220/240 V A	10 5 2 0.5	10 5 2 0.5
• 3 conducting paths in series	up to 24 V A 60 V A 110 V A 220/240 V A	16 16 16 2	16 16 16 2
Thermal load capacity	10 s current A	70	
Power loss per conducting path	at $I_e$ /AC-3 W	0.3	
Switching frequency			
Switching frequency z in operating cycles/hour			
• Contactors without overload relays	No-load switching frequency	h <sup>-1</sup>	10000
Dependence of the switching frequency z' on the operational current I' and operational voltage U: $z' = z \cdot (I_e / I') \cdot (400 \text{ V} / U)^{1.5} \cdot 1/\text{h}$	AC-1	h <sup>-1</sup>	1000
	AC-2	h <sup>-1</sup>	500
	AC-3	h <sup>-1</sup>	1000
• Contactors with overload relays (mean value)		h <sup>-1</sup>	15
Conductor cross-sections			
Screw terminals	Main and auxiliary conductors	Screw terminals	
Prescribed tightening torque for terminal screws	Solid	mm <sup>2</sup>	2 x (0.5 ... 2.5), 1 x 4 2 x (20 ... 14) AWG, 1 x 12 AWG
	Finely stranded with end sleeve	mm <sup>2</sup>	2 x (0.5 ... 1.5), 1 x 2.5
	Pin-end connector (DIN 46231)	mm <sup>2</sup>	1 x 1 ... 2.5
	Terminal screw		M3
		Nm lb.in	0.8 ... 1.3 7 ... 11
Flat connectors			
When using a plug-in sleeve	6.3 ... 1	mm <sup>2</sup>	0.5 ... 1
Finely stranded	6.3 ... 2.5	mm <sup>2</sup>	1 ... 2.5
Solder pin connections		Only for printed circuit boards	

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4-pole, 4 kW

Contactor	Type		3TK20 ..-0...	3TK20 ..-3..., 3TK20 ..-6..., 3TK20 ..-7...
Size 00				
Ⓒ and Ⓜ rated data of the 3TK20 contactors				
Rated insulation voltage $U_i$		V AC	600	300
Uninterrupted current	Open and enclosed	A	16	16 (10 for solder pin connection)
Maximum horsepower ratings (Ⓒ and Ⓜ approved values)				
Rated power for induction motors at 60 Hz				
1-phase	at 115 V	hp	0.5	--
	200 V	hp	1	1
	230 V	hp	1.5	1
	460/575 V	hp	--	--
3-phase	at 115 V	hp	--	--
	200 V	hp	3	3 (1 for 3TK20 ..-6)
	230 V	hp	3	3 (1 for 3TK20 ..-6)
	460/575 V	hp	5	--
Overload relay	Type/Setting range		3UA7/EB 8 ... 10 A	

Contactor	Type		3TK20
Size 00			
Rated data of the auxiliary contacts acc. to IEC 60947-5-1 (VDE 0660 Part 200)			
Rated insulation voltage $U_i$ (degree of pollution 3)		V	690
Continuous thermal current $I_{th}$ = Rated operational current $I_e$ /AC-12		A	10
AC load			
Rated operational current $I_e$ /AC-15/AC-14			
for rated operational voltage $U_e$			
	24 V	A	4
	110 V	A	4
	125 V	A	4
	220 V	A	4
	230 V	A	4
	380 V	A	3
	400 V	A	3
	500 V	A	2
	660 V	A	1
	690 V	A	1
DC load			
Rated operational current $I_e$ /DC-12			
for rated operational voltage $U_e$			
	24 V	A	4
	48 V	A	2.2
	110 V	A	1.1
	125 V	A	1.1
	220 V	A	0.5
	440 V	A	--
	600 V	A	--
Rated operational current $I_e$ /DC-13			
for rated operational voltage $U_e$			
	24 V	A	2.1
	48 V	A	1.1
	110 V	A	0.52
	125 V	A	0.52
	220 V	A	0.27
	440 V	A	--
	600 V	A	--
Ⓒ, Ⓜ and Ⓜ rated data of the auxiliary contacts			
Rated voltage, max.		V AC	600
Auxiliary switch blocks, max.		V AC	300
Switching capacity			
Uninterrupted current at 240 V AC		A	10