

Switch Engineering Catalogue No. 6

mec Competences

Since its foundation in 1938, mec has been making state-of-the-art electromechanical components.

Today we are focusing on continuous innovation to maintain our position as leader in the segment of high end PCB mount push button switches. By always choosing the best possible solution, whether it is a design principle, a material or a manufacturing process we maintain and improve our sustainable high quality level. With this approach a wealth of know-how has been built up over the years for the benefit of new product development and custom solutions.

Despite the trend of outsourcing it has been the policy of mec to maintain a high degree of vertical integration that enables us to react promptly on specific customer requests. Only processes that are not considered core competences have been outsourced.

Research and Development

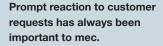
Equipped with the latest CAD solutions with 3D facilities and optical simulation software our experienced R&D engineers are designing, simulating and evaluating new products and machinery continuously. The combination of a strong R&D facility and the vertical integration enables us to provide custom designs from conception to completion.

Automation - Tooling - Moulding - Stamping - Graphics Marking - Custom Assembly

All switch modules are manufactured on fully automated production lines with complete inline component tests. All production statistics are analysed and stored in computers. 98% of all parts used in the mec switches are produced in-house.

Ongoing investments ensure that latest technology is available for the tooling department. However, at mec we believe that the most important factors for maintaining a high tool standard are the outstanding skills and experience of our toolmakers.







The plastic moulding department consists of numerous moulding machines. Rigorous process control ensures the highest possible precision and reproduceable quality that is essential for making precision components.

All metal parts are manufactured in our metal stamping department. When making contact elements, a computer controlled test station provides a high level of repeatability and secures that any required corrections can be made instantly.

Graphics marking is also made in-house to secure constant quality and durability of both standard and customized graphics for the many keycaps and bezels available.

The assembly department offers all kinds of value-added services such as customized final assembly made by experienced and quality conscious personnel.

Logistics and Production Planning

The production planning software is today fully integrated into the financial and administrative system.

The system provides the backbone that allows us to maintain precise deliveries and to offer excellent customer service.

Quality - Environment - RoHS

We strive to maintain the highest possible quality standard through our QA system. With 100% in-line inspection, tight tolerance

on all parts and use of only quality material we position ourselves to reach the highest achievable.

To be a part of a sustainable industrialized world environmental consciousness is crucial. At mec we have been substituting materials to more environmental friendly alternatives and are recycling as much as possible. Legal authorities are auditing our environmental management system regularly and confirming that our goal is being reached.

RoHS conversion has been completed for all switches. To manage the inventory in the complete supply chain a separate part number system has been established. All parts manufactured today are RoHS compatible.

Sales - Customer Service - Distribution

mec have a well established global distribution network that provides a presence in all parts of the world where electronic manufacturing takes place. Through close contact and continuous product training offered to our distributors we maintain a highly qualified and responsive global distribution network

Please contact mec or one of our distributors if you require assistance or samples to complete your new design with mec switches. We welcome inquiries also for custom solutions.

multimec®

PCB Mount Pushbutton Switches

mec specializes in the production of PCB mounted pushbutton switches. Our products are designed to be used in a wide variety of applications. Through the use of a modular approach to switch assembly the user is provided with a unique flexibility in his choice of options. multimec® switches are known for their crisp audible tactile feel although a "quiet" model is available for sensitive applications such as audio and conference equipment.

The multi-coloured keycaps, bezels and LEDs snap together to produce almost unlimited switch configurations. Customized keycaps and bezels can be manufactured for special applications.

	3A/4A Sv	vitches				Caps and Bezels	Page
	Pushb	outton		Illuminate	d		
	TH	SMD	1	Ή	SMD		
000							
	3AT	3AS	3AT	4AT	4AS		
	х	Х				1M 1ZA	11
			x	x	x	1H	11/09
						1C + 2A/2C	10/09
	x	x	x	x	x	1A	11/09
						1B + 2A/2C	10/09
						1B + 2B/2D + 2B LED	10/09
	3C/3E Sv					Caps and Actuators	Page
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	Navimec	™ Switche	es			Caps	Page
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	Т	H _	SMD	TH	SMD	-	
	ЗАТ	3FT	3AS	4FT	4FS		
	х		х			1ZB	12/13
		х		х	х	1ZC	

The size of the switches, caps, actuators and bezels listed may not correspond to the actual size.

multimec® Navimec™

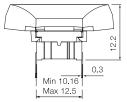
Technical Data

- through-hole or SMD
- 50mA/24VDC
- single pole/momentary
- 10.000.000 operations life time
- IP67 sealing
- temperature range:

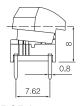
low temp: -40/+115°C high temp: -40/+160°C

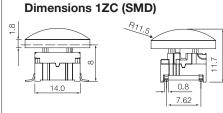


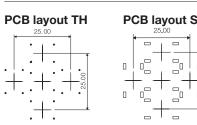
Dimensions 1ZB (through-hole)

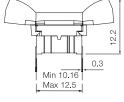


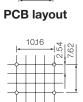
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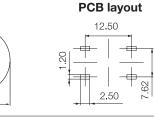












How to order

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3 A

Switch Mounting

L 6 low temp. H 9 high temp.





09 black 30 ultra blue

40 dusty blue 42 aqua blue

50 metal dark blue 53 metal light grey

57 metal dark grey 58 metal bordeaux

3 F Switch

Mounting T through-hole S surface mount

T through-hole

S surface mount

L 6 low temp. H 9 high temp.

Navimec™ Module

Part No. 9508000 Navimec™ Module excl. keycaps Part No. 950XXYY Navimec™ Module incl. keycaps

Navimec™ Module incl. keycaps with legends Part No. 9509XXXYYY

The module can be delivered with keycaps (4 x 1ZB and 1 x 1ZC) in solid colours or black keycaps with white legends.

For module incl. keycaps in solid colours (950XXYY) please indicate colour code for 1ZBXX and colour code for 1ZCYY.

For module incl. keycaps with legends (9509XXXYYY) please indicate legends for 1ZBXXX and legends for 1ZCYYY. All Caps are black with white legends. Please see legends available on page 23.

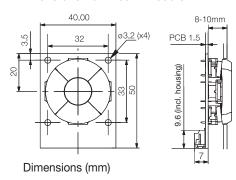
Examples: Module with 5 switches (4x3ATL6+1x3FTL6) mounted with 4x1ZB30 ultra blue and 1x1ZC42 aqua blue = 9503042.

Module with 5 switches (4x3ATL6+1x3FTL6) mounted with 4x1ZB09XD136 (legend arrow) and 1x1ZC09118 (legend OK) = 9509136118.

Recommended panel cut-out: ø35.0-35.5 Depending on application

PCB layout SMD

Dimensions Navimec™ Module



Circuit Diagram Navimec™ Module (Front side View)

SW3 SW2 SW5 SW2



The plug on the Navimec™ module is JST SMT S10B-PH-SM3-TB or similar. We recommend using

Cable socket: JST PHR-10 or similar Contact: JST SPH-002T-PO.5S or similar.

Ordering example: 4x3ATL6+1ZB53 and 1x3FTL6+1ZC58 or Navimec™ Module 9505358

multimec® Legends



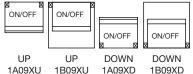
All standard legends are white on black caps.

The size of the legends listed may not correspond to the actual size. Please ask your local distributor, if you do not find what you need on the list. New legends may have been added after this catalogue was printed.

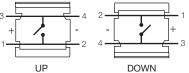
Custom legends and other colour combinations are available, please contact your local distributor.

Note!

Position of Cap 1A/1B

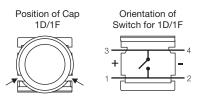


Orientation of Switch for 1A/1B



For 1A/1B the orientation shown above is standard.

Please consider the switch orientation you require before specifying legend orientation.



For the 1D and 1F caps the orientation shown above is standard.

Please consider the switch orientation you require before specifying legend orientation.

Standard Keycap Legends

Part no.

ON/OFF ON/OFF







						Reverse Print	:	
LEGEND	1A09XU_	1A09XD_	1B09XU_	1B09XD_	1D09_	1F096_	1ZB09XD_	1ZC09_
0	000	000	000	000	000	000		
1	001	001	001	001	001	001		
2	002	002	002	002	002	002		
3	003	003	003	003	003	003		
4	004	004	004	004	004	004		
5	005	005	005	005	005	005		
6	006	006	006	006	006	006		
7	007	007	007	007	007	007		
8	008	008	008	008	008	008		
9	009	009	009	009	009	009		
A	010	010	010	010	000	003		
В	011	011	011	011				
С	012	012	012	012				
D	012	012	012	012				
#	107				107	107		
		107	107	107	107			
*	019	019	019	019	019	019		
	016	016	016	016	000			
\rightarrow	033	033	033	033	033			
←	133	133	133	133	133			
1	034	034	034	034	034			
1	134	134	134	134	134			
4	135	135	135	135	135	135		
+	054	054	054	054				
_	059	059	059	059				
•	056	056	056	056				
A							136	
(123	123	123	123	123	123		123*
START	031	031	031	031				
CLEAR	036	036	036	036				
LOAD	037	037	037	037				
RESET	038	038	038	038				038
CANCEL	048	048	048	048				
ENTER								105
ок								118
SET								119
MENU								120
FUNC								121
HOME								122

^{* 1}ZC16 for illumination

Applications with mec switches

Studio Equipment



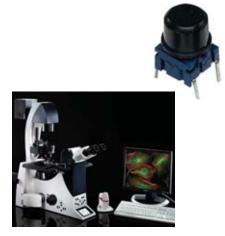
Navimec, 3A+1ZA

Security Access Control



Navimec,3A+1B+2A,3A+1A

Digital Microscope



3F+1D

Barcode Reader



3C in-moulded

Pump Control Unit



3E

Space Shuttle Internal Communication



Unimec 15501+16300+16310

Control for Video Camera in Police Cars



3A+1A, 1H

Conference Systems



3F+1ZA,1ZC 3A+1H,1M

Door Entry Control



For updates of products and/or changes of specifications please see www.mec.dk

Applications with mec switches

Police Speed Control



3F+1D, 1T, 1V

Control Panel for Boats







3F+1I

Scooter for Disabled People

3F+1D

Defillibrator



3C under foil

Tree Felling Equipment



3E

Flight Simulators



3F+1P 3F+1P,1D

Military Handheld Computer







3C

Car Operation Panel for Disabled People



3F+1ZA, 1ZC

Navimec, 3F+1ZC

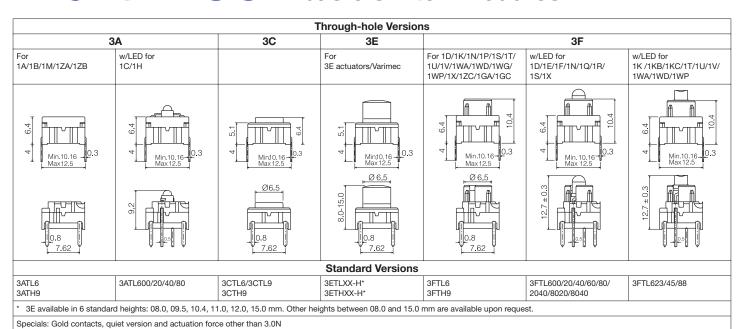
Mixing Console





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basic switch modules



Surface Mount Versions illumec™ Through-hole Versions illumec™ Surface Mount Versions 3F 4AT w/LEDs 4FT w/LEDs 4AS w/LEDs 4FS w/LEDs For 3E actuators/ For 1D/1K/1N/1P/1S/1T/ For 1D/1E/1F/1K/1KB/1KC/ For 1D/1E/1F/1K/1KB/1KC/ 1A/1B/1M/1ZA/1ZB 1U/1V/WA/1WD/1WP/ 1X/1ZC/1GA/1GC 1N/1Q/1R/1S/1T/1U/1V/ 1WA/1WD/1WP/1X 1N/1Q/1R/1S/1T/1U/1V/ 1WA/1WD/1WP/1X 14.00 Min 10 16 ø6.5

4ATH901/22/42/61/82/

2242/8222/8242

3FSH9/3FSH9R

 $Co\text{-planarity} = \leq 0.05$

3ASH9/3ASH9R

	Right Angle Versions													
3C	3E	3F	3F w/LED											
	For 3E actuators/ Varimec	For 1D/1K/1N/1P/1S/1T/ 1U/1V/1W/1WA/1WD/ 1WP1X/1ZC/1GA/1GC	For 1D/1E/1F/1N/1Q/ 1R/1S/1X											
13.9	7.62 4.85	7.62	20.1 ± 0.30 17.8 12.7 7.62 2.54											
	Standard	Versions												
3CTL6RAS	3ETXX-X.XRAS	3FTL6RAS	3FTL600/20/40/60/80/ 2040/8020/8040RAS											

Standard Versions

3ESH9/3ESH9R

3CSH9/3CSH9R

DIMENSIONS (mm) Unless otherwise specified, all tolerances $\pm~0.2$

multimec® Cross Section

Standard Versions

4ASH901/22/42/61/82/

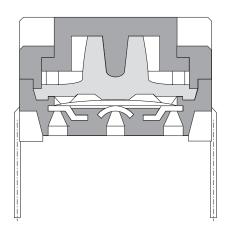
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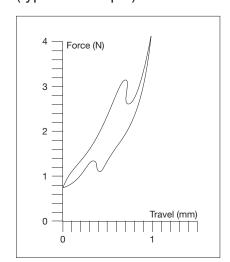


multimec® basic switches and tape & reel

Recommended PCB layout

MULTIMEC® MULTIMEC® MULTIMEC® topview surface-mount solder pad Right Angle Version 10.16 topview ø1.0(3X) Optional LED illumec™ PCB and Circuit Diagram 1 LED 2 LEDS 1 LED 2 LEDS 10.16 10.16 12.5 12.5

Operating Force (typical example)





Tape and reel is available for the parts listed and has the following specifications:

Reel diameter ø330mm Tape width 24mm Pitch see list Tape and reel material antistatic or better Quantity per reel see list

3A/3C/3E/3F multimec® tape & reel

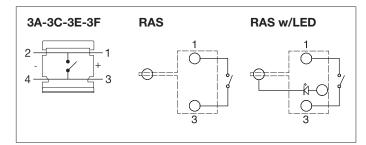
Part No.	Ordering Code	Pitch	Quantity per reel
3ASH9	3ASH9R	16	500
3CSH9	3CSH9R	16	500
3ESH9	3ESH9R	16	500
3ESH9-08.0	3ESH9R08.0	20	250
3ESH9-09.5	3ESH9R09.5	20	250
3ESH9-10.4	3ESH9R10.4	20	250
3ESH9-11.0	3ESH9R11.0	20	250
3ESH9-12.0	3ESH9R12.0	20	250
All varimec belov	vR after the part no.	20	250
12.5			
3FSH9	3FSH9R	20	250

4F illumec™ tape & reel

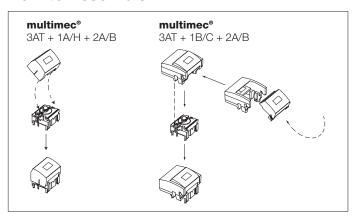
Part No.	Ordering Code	Pitch	Quantity per reel
4FSH901	4FSH901R	20	250
4FSH922	4FSH922R	20	250
4FSH942	4FSH942R	20	250
4FSH961	4FSH961R	20	250
4FSH982	4FSH982R	20	250
4FSH92242	4FSH92242R	20	250
4FSH98222	4FSH98222R	20	250
4FSH98242	4FSH98242R	20	250

Specifications are according to EIA 600481-3 and IEC 60286-3

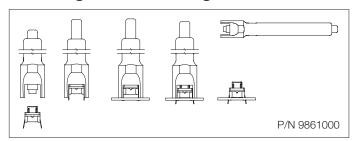
Circuit Diagram



How to Assemble



Mounting Tool for Through-hole versions



Specifications are subject to change without notice.

multimec® technical specifications

RoHS Compatible

	3A-3C-3E-3F	-1	3A-3C-3E-3F		illumec™ 4A - 4F			
	Low Temperature Ver		High Temperature Ve		High Temperature Ve			
Electrical Specification	Silver	Gold	Silver	Gold	Silver	Gold		
Contact resistance	<30m Ω - typ. 10m Ω		$<$ 30m Ω - typ. 10m Ω		$<$ 30m Ω - typ. 10 m Ω			
	$>10M \Omega$		$>10M \Omega$		$>10M \Omega$			
Insulation resistance		0 5u 50m	0.5-50mA 24VDC	0 511 50m \ 24\/DC		0 511 50m \ 24\/DC		
Recommended load	0.5-50mA 24VDC	0.5µ-50mA 24VDC		0.5μ-50mA 24VDC	0.5-50mA 24VDC	0.5μ-50mA 24VDC		
Contact bounce	<2mS - typically 0.5mS)	<2mS - typically 0.5ms	5	<2mS - typically 0.5mS	5		
Mechanical Specificati Standard actuation	OHS							
	0.001 +		0.001 +		0.001 +			
force (switch)	3.0N typ.		3.0N typ.		3.0N typ.			
Max. actuation force without cap	100N for 10 and		100NI for 10 aga		100N for 10 and			
	100N for 10 sec.		100N for 10 sec.		100N for 10 sec.			
Key travel (switch)	1 mm		1 mm		1 mm			
Life time (switch)	>10.000.000 cycles		>10.000.000 cycles		>10.000.000 cycles			
Temperature Range		•		••		•		
Working temperature	Min40°C Max. +115°		Min40°C Max. +160		Min30°C Max. +85°C			
Storage temperature	Min40°C Max. +115°		Min40°C Max. +160		Min30°C Max. +85°C			
Soldering IEC 68-2-20	Wave - max. 260°C for			e, wave - max. 240°C for	Infrared, vapour phase			
	please refer to usage g			260°C for max. 30 sec.		260°C for max. 30 sec.		
	Soldering iron - max. 3	50°C for max. 3 sec.	Soldering iron - max. 3	350°C for max. 3 sec.	Soldering iron - max. 3	350°C for max. 3 sec.		
	Flux tight.		Flux tight.		Flux tight.			
Environmental Endura								
Temperature	+40°C		+40°C		+40°C			
Humidity	93% RH		93% RH		93% RH			
Duration	56 Days		56 Days		56 Days			
Temperature Cycling II	C 68-2-14							
Temperature limit	Min40°C - Max. +12	5°C	Min40°C - Max. +12	5°C	Min40°C - Max. +12	5°C		
Number of cycles	10		10		10			
Exposure time at each								
temperature	30 min.		30 min.		30 min.			
Recovery time before								
measurements	16 hrs.		16 hrs.		16 hrs.			
Sealing IEC 529	IP-67		IP-67		IP-67			
Cleaning	Standard methods - se	e usage guidelines	Standard methods - se	ee usage guidelines	Standard methods - see usage guidelines			
Vibration Test IEC 68-2	-6							
Cycles					10			
Cycles time					2 hrs.			
Material Specifications	- Switches							
Housing	PBT UL94VO		PPS UL94VO		PPS UL94VO			
Actuator	PBT UL94VO		PPS UL94VO		PPS UL94VO			
Sealing + spring	Silicone rubber		Silicone rubber		Silicone rubber			
Contact spring	Stainless steel	Stainless steel	Stainless steel	Stainless steel	Stainless steel	Stainless steel		
	+ 3µAg	+ 1µAu	+ 3µAg	+ 1μAu	+ 3µAg	+ 1µAu		
Fixed contacts	SnCu + 2µNI + 3µAg	SnCu + 2µNI + 1µAu	SnCu + 2µNI + 3µAg	SnCu + 2µNI + 1µAu	SnCu + 2µNI + 3µAg	SnCu + 2μNI + 1μAu		
Terminals	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μSn100	SnCu + 2µNI + 3µSn100	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μSn100	SnCu + 2µNI + 3µSn100	SnCu + 2μNI + 3μSn100	SnCu + 2µNI + 3µSn100		
Material Specifications	- Caps & Bezels	i i						
Material	Parts			Temp limit	UL rating			
ABS	1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, 1V, 1WA, 1WD, 1WP, 1	1H, 1K, 1M, 1N, 1P, 1C X. 1ZA. 1ZB. 1ZC.), 1R, 1T, 1U,	Max. 65°C	UL94HB			
Polycarbonate	All lenses, 3E coloured			Max. 85°C	UL94V1			
LCP	Black actuator of 3E			Max. 160°C	UL94VO			
PPS	1S, 2S			Max. 160°C	UL94VO			
Polyamide	Actuator of Varimec [™] ,	1GA/1GC		Max. 160°C	UL94VO			
Legends Adhesion		ass: 4B DIN EN ISO 240	9					

* LED max. working temperature

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multimec® LEDs

For 3A switches		3AXXX (fo	r 1C/1H)			2BXXX			
Colour		В	G	Υ	R	G	Υ	R	
Colur Codes		00	20	40	80	20	40	80	
Absolute Maximum Ratings	(Ta=25°C)								
Power	mW	105	100	60	100	75	60	60	
Current forward	mA	30	30	20	30	20	20	20	
Forward peak current	mA	150	120	80	120	60**	60**	60**	
Voltage reverse	V	5	5	5	5	3	3	3	
Operating temperature	°C	-40 - +85	-55 - +100			-25 - +85			
Storage temperature	°C	-40 - +85	-55 - +100			-30 - +100			
Soldering temperature	°C	260/5 sec.	260 for ma	ax. 3 sec.		260 for ma	ax. 5 sec.		
Electrical-Optical Characteristics	(Ta=25°C)								
Voltage forward	Typ. V	3.8	2.1*	2.1*	2.0*	2.1	2.1	2.0	
	Max. V	4.5	2.8*	2.8*	2.8*	3.0	3.0	3.0	
Current reverse (VR = 5V)	μΑ	10	100	100	100	10	10	10	
Wave length	nm	466	565	585	630	563	585	650	
Spread	Δnm	30	30	35	40	40	40	40	
Spread angle	degree	40	90	90	90	45	45	45	
Luminous Intensity	Min. mcd	4	0.7	1.7	1.1	9.0	5.6	5.6	
	Typ. mcd	10	2.5	5.6	3.7	25	16	16	
Orientation	The longer	pin is the ar	node, the sh	orter is the	cathode				

 $^{^*/}_F$ = 20mA, ** Pulse width 1ms Duty cycle 1:5

For 3F switches		3FXXX	for 1E-1F-1		3FXXX (for 1K-1T-1U-1V-1W-1W							
Colour		В	G	Υ	R	G/Y	R/G	R/Y	G	Υ	R	
Colur Codes		00	20	40	80	2040	8020	8040	23	45	88	
Absolute Maximum Ratings	(Ta=25°C)											
Power	mW	105	70	60	60	120	120	120	150	130	300	
Current forward	mA	30	20	20	20	25	25	25	40	40	90	
orward peak current	mA	200	60**	60**	60**	150	150	150	500	500	1000	
/oltage reverse	V	5	3	3	3	5	5	5	12	12	5	
Operating temperature	°C	-25 - +8	5			-40 - +85			-55 - +100			
Storage temperature	°C	-30 - +1	00			-40 - +85			-55 - +100			
Soldering temperature	°C	260 for 1	max. 5 sec.			260 for m	ax. 2 sec.		300 for max. 3 sec.			
Electrical-Optical Characterist	tics (Ta=25°C)											
/oltage Forward	Typ. V	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1*	2.3***	2.4***	
	Max. V	2.8	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.5*	2.5***	3.8***	
Current reverse (V _R = 5V)	μΑ	2	10	10	10	2	2	2	10	10	10	
Wave length	nm	460	563	585	650	565/590	625/565	625/590	570	587	635	
Spread	∆nm	40	40	40	40	35	35	35	25	45	45	
Spread angle	degree	20	45	45	45	60	60	60	80	90	55	
uminous Intensity	Min. mcd	20	9.0	5.6	5.6	8	8	8	71****	71****	100***	
	Typ. mcd	25	25	16	16	25	25	25	112****	112****	160***	
Orientation	The longer	pin is the	anode, the	shorter is the	e cathode. F	or bicolor LED	s the anode	for the first of	colour (ex. 2	080) is the l	onger pin	

^{***/} $_F$ = 50mA, ****Luminous Flux mIm

For 4A/4F switches		illumec [™]	M LEDs spe	ecifications		
Colour		В	G	Υ	W	R
Colur Codes		01	22	42	61	82
Absolute Maximum Ratings	(Ta=25°C)					
Power	mW	60	65	65	80	65
Current forward	mA	20	25	25	15	25
Forward peak current	mA	150	150	100	200	100
Voltage reverse	V	5	12	12	5	12
Operating temperature	°C	-30 - +85				
Storage temperature	°C	-30 - +85				
Soldering temperature	°C	245 for n	nax. 10 sec			
Electrical-Optical Characteristic	cs (Ta=25°C)					
Voltage forward	Typ. V	3.35	2.2	2	3.05	2
	Max. V	3.5	2.5	2.5	3.2	2.5
Current reverse (V _R = 5V)	μΑ	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01
Wave length	nm	470	570	588	n.a.	633
Spread	Δnm	n.a.	30	16	n.a.	16
Spread angle	degree	145	160	160	138	160
Luminous Intensity	Min. mcd	30	28	112	28	112
	Typ. mcd	35	70	150	35	150
Optical Intensity	Lm/w	4			2.5	

B= Blue, G= Green, Y= Yellow, R= Red, W= White, G/Y= Green/Yellow, R/G= Red/Green, R/Y= Red/Yellow Specifications are subject to change without notice.

multimec® solid Colours





Metallic Colors



Сар		00	02	03	04	06	08	09	30	32	33	34	38	40	42	50	53	57	58
1A	\Diamond	Х	х	х	х	Х	х	Х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
1B	⊗	X	х	х	х	Х	х	Х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х
1C		Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х											
1D	8	X	х	х	х	Х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
1E	8	X	Х	Х	Х	X	Х	Х											
1F	8	Х	х	х	х	Х	х	х											
1H	\$	Х	х	х	х	Х	х	х											
1K	\Diamond	Х	х	х	х	Х	х	х											
1M		Х	х	х	х	Х	х	х											
1N	В	Х		х	х		х	х											
1P	F	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х											
1Q		X		Х			Х	Х											
1R		X		X			Х	X											
1S	4							х											
1T	0	X		Х			Х	Х											
1U	8	X		Х			Х	Х											
1V	0	X		Х			Х	Х											
1WA/1WD/1WP	9	X		Х			Х	Х	х					х	х		х	х	
1X		Х	х	х	х	Х	х	Х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	Х
1ZA				Х		Х		Х	х					х	х	х	х	х	Х
1ZB				х		Х		х	х					х	х	х	х	х	х
1ZC	0			Х		Х		Х	Х					Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х

The RAL Codes mentioned are the codes nearest to the solid colours in the multimec® range.

Mec Usage Guidelines

How to get the best results with mec switches

These guidelines are offered to users of mec switches as an aid to ensure successful and reliable switch operation.

Temperature

Both UnimecTM and Multimec[®] switches are produced in standard and high temperature versions. Please see the technical specifications for details on operating and storage temperatures and soldering guidelines to make sure you select the best switch for your application. When wave soldering is taking place, mec strongly recommend that the temperature profile is analyzed and compared with the temperature rating of the switch. In case of doubt always select the high temperature versions UnimecTM 154XX and Multimec[®] 3XXHX. It is also important to monitor the accumulated heat build up from both the pre-heat zones and the solder zone.

Most standard accessories for both Unimec[™] and Multimec[®] switches are made from ABS plastic with a maximum operating temperature of 65°C. It is strongly recommended that accessories are mounted after soldering of the switch. If this is not possible care must be taken not to overheat the accessories during the soldering process. Actuators for the 3EXX9, the 1S09 and Varimec[™] caps are, however, made of high temperature materials and will meet the same temperature specifications as the high temperature switches.

For accessories made from other plastic materials please see Multimec and Unimec technical specifications.

LEDs have their own temperature specifications. When fitted in a high temperature switch the LED will determine the max. operating temperature, i.e. 3FTH923 has an upper temperature limit of 85°C – not 160°C! This also applies to the 4A and 4F switches.

Mounting and Dismounting

If switches are to be mounted in rows it is essential that the recommendations regarding spacing are followed. PC board thickness should be 1.2 to 1.6 mm and terminal hole diameter should be 0.9 mm.

All Unimec[™] and Multimec[®] caps and bezels are easily snapped onto the switch modules and can be changed at a later time with the exception of the Unimec[™] 16.700 cap. The same applies to the 3E caps/actuators. Once these caps are installed they are not designed to be removed. To do so may cause damage to the switch and the PC board if not done very carefully. If the 16.300 or 16.700 cap must be removed from a Unimec[™] alternate action switch, make sure that the switch actuator is in the released, upper position before attempting to remove the cap. This will prevent possible damage to the internal latching pin.

Care must be taken when inserting the 3FT switch and LED assembly into the PC board. Do not press direct on the LED. This will force the LED down into the actuator and risks to cause the switch contacts to remain in the closed position. To correct the fault, the LED must be raised slightly and centered in the actuator to assure unrestricted movement of the actuator. A mounting tool is available for Multimec® switches.

Soldering and Cleaning Unimec™

Most assembly and field problems experienced by users of unsealed switches are caused by the contamination of the contacts during soldering and cleaning. Contact contamination may be recognized by an increase in contact resistance and possible intermittent operation of the switch, especially in low power applications. Care must be taken not to submerge the switch in cleaning agents or spray the switch during cleaning. The switch must be protected at all times to prevent contamination by flux or cleaning liquids.

For Unimec $^{\text{TM}}$ alternate versions we recommend to leave the actuator in the released upper position during soldering. This makes the switch more resistent to overheating.

Soldering and Cleaning Multimec®

Multimec® switches are fully sealed to IP67 specifications to prevent solder flux and aqueous or solvent based cleaning solutions from entering the switch and contaminating the contacts. The switches can be placed on the PC board with other components and wave soldered. Multimec® offers a high level of sealing, however, with aqueous solvent solutions care must be taken to avoid the worst case situation with water jets, complete immersion into a liquid with a temperature below the board or surface tension reducing additives.

Recommended cleaning methods are demineralized water. Any surface tensions reducing agents, such as soap, must not be used as they risk causing a potential leakage of the switch.

Soldering - Through Hole Versions

Hand soldering: Max 350°C for max. 3 sec., this applies for both low temperature and high temperature versions.

Wave soldering: Heat built up in the switch during pre-heating and soldering must not exceed the maximum operating temperature of the switch. If, for some reason, a high pre-heating temperature is required, mec recommend the high temperature switches. In any case peak temperature must not exceed 260°C, and soldering time is max. 10 sec.

Soldering - Surface Mount Versions

For all methods – infrared, convection and vapour phase. The upper limit 260°C/30 sec. must be observed. The soldering temperature profile must have moderate temperature gradients.

RoHS Compliance

As of 1 July 2006 mec has completed the conversion to RoHS compliance. A separate part number system assures that there will not be any risk for mixing products in the supply chain. For more info please see our homepage www.mec.dk

General Temperature Limits:

Low Temperature 115°C
High Temperature 160°C
LEDs 85/100°C
Accessories 65/85/160°C

Packaging

Unimec[™] and Multimec[®] switches are packed in rigid tubes of 50 pieces each.

A box contains 1.000 pcs.

The surface mount versions of Multimec® switches with a height up to 12.5 mm can also be delivered on tape/reel. Each reel contains 250/500 pcs.

Custom Products from Conception to Completion

mec are mastering all technologies for the design and manufacture of switches and accessories. The wide range of mec standard products is well known world wide, but also many custom solutions have been created. mec offer to be your partner from conception to completion. Our R/D engineers generate computer animated solutions, rapid prototypes and manage the whole industrialisation process.

We welcome any custom requirement.



- Navigation module
- Cap with concave surface
- **■** Fluorescent legends
- Different actuation forces
- Reverse printed legend on translucent cap

- Quiet switches with and without tactile feeling
- Cap colours matched to customer's request
- Right angle switches with integrated illumination
- Customer specified ultra bright LED
- Ultra high temperature Cap

Please consult factory with your custom requirement.

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