

High temperature thermocouple sensors with a variety of specialist conductor, insulation and sheath materials.

For use in extreme service temperatures (up to 2300°C) and harsh environmental conditions.

TC Ltd for Temperature Sensing, Measurement and Control

Type 27 High Temperature Metal Sheathed Thermocouples

High Temperature Thermocouples for Applications up to 2300°C These high temperature thermocouples are used in applications where other thermocouples would fail due to excessive heat or severe environments. Utilising specialist exotic sheath materials such as Platinum 10% Rhodium, Molybdenum and Tantalum they can be used in service temperatures up to 2300°C. The combination of conductor, insulation material and sheath must be carefully selected to suit your process environment, service temperature and installation requirements (i.e. whether the probe is flexible or not). Our experienced sales team are on hand to assist where needed, so please contact us if help is required.

- Typically used with high temperature thermocouple types R, S, B, C and D
- Temperatures up to 2200°C (continuous) or 2300°C (short term)
- Semi-Rigid (mineral insulated) and Rigid (tube) styles available
- Wide range of end seals, terminations and cables available
- Calibration service for oxidizing and inert environments up to 1600°C



SECTION	Thermocouple Type	Temperat (continuous)	ure Range (short term)	2 SECTION	Insulation Material	Comments	Maximum Temperature	
R	Platinum - 13% Rhodium vs Platinum	0 to +1600°C	-50 to +1750°C	MGO	Magnesium Oxide	Very hygroscopic. Used mostly in compacted sheaths.	1700°C	
S	Platinum - 10% Rhodium vs Platinum	0 to +1550°C	-50 to +1700°C		(1000)			
B	Platinum - 30% Rhodium vs Platinum - 6% Rhodium	+100 to +1600°C	+100 to +1820°C	ALO	Aluminium Oxide (Al ₂ O ₃)	Excellent with Platinum alloys.	1550°C	
C	Tungsten - 5% Rhenium vs Tungsten - 26% Rhenium	0 to +2200°C	0 to +2300°C					
D	Tungsten - 3% Rhenium vs Tungsten - 25% Rhenium	0 to +2200°C	0 to +2300°C	HFO	Hafnium Oxide (HfO ₂)	Comparable to Beryllium Oxide and safe to handle.	2200°C	

SECTION	Sheath Material	Operational Properties	MI (Semi-Rigid) Tube (Rigid)	Insulation Material	Thermocouple Types	Available Sheath Diameters (mm)	Max. Continuous Temperature*
600	Inconel 600®	Suitable for use in inert, vacuum and oxidizing environments. Minimum bend radius: 5 x sheath diameter. Not recommended for use above 800°C in oxidising atmospheres. Do not use in sulphur bearing atmospheres above 550°C.	Semi-Rigid	MgO	R, S and B	1.0mm, 1.5mm, 3.0mm, 3.2mm, 4.8mm, 6.0mm and 6.4mm	1175°C
600T	Inconel 600®	As above. Do not bend .	Rigid	Al ₂ 0 ₃	R, S and B	3.0mm, 3.2mm, 4.8mm, 6.0mm and 6.4mm	1175°C
P10R	Platinum 10% Rhodium	Suitable for use in inert and oxidizing environments. Minimum bend radius: 10 x sheath diameter.	Semi-Rigid	MgO	R, S and B	1.0mm, 1.5mm and 1.6mm	1550°C
TAN	Tantalum	Suitable for use in inert and vacuum environments. Minimum bend radius: 5 x sheath diameter.	Semi-Rigid	MgO, Al ₂ O ₃ , HfO ₂	R, S, B, C and D	1.0mm, 1.5mm, 1.6mm, 3.0mm and 3.2mm	2200°C
NIO	Niobium 1% Zirconium	Suitable for use in inert and vacuum environments. Minimum bend radius: 10 x sheath diameter.	Semi-Rigid	MgO, Al ₂ O ₃ , HfO ₂	R, S, B, C and D	1.6mm and 3.2mm	2200°C
MOL	Molybdenum	Suitable for use in inert, vacuum and reducing environments. Do not bend .	Rigid	MgO, Al ₂ O ₃ , HfO ₂	R, S, B, C and D	1.5mm, 1.6mm, 3.0mm, 3.2mm, 4.8mm, 6.0mm and 6.4mm	2000°C
CMOL	Coated Molybdenum	Suitable for use in inert and oxidizing environments. Do not bend .	Rigid	MgO, Al ₂ O ₃ , HfO ₂	C and D	1.5mm, 1.6mm, 3.0mm, 3.2mm and 6.4mm	1600°C

* Maximum temperature range of sensor is limited by the choice of insulation material.

NOI	Types of Consing Junction			Thermocouple	Thermocouple Output Tolerances (IEC 60584.1)			
SEC.	Types of sensing Juliction			Туре		Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
		Insulated The hot (measuring) junction is insulated from the sheath and	R	Platinum - 13% Rhodium vs Platinum	Range Tolerance Range Tolerance	0°C to +1100°C ±1.0°C 1100°C to 1600°C ±(1 +0.003 (t · 1100)°C	0°C to +600°C ±1.5°C 600°C to 1600°C ±0.0025 · [t]	- - -
21 2G		Grounded Hot junction welded to sheath tip giving earthed output with a typical insulation resistance in excess of 100 megohms. Enter 2I for simplex or 2ID for duplex.	S	Platinum - 10% Rhodium vs Platinum	Range Tolerance Range Tolerance	0°C to +1100°C ±1.0°C 1100°C to 1600°C ±(1 +0.003 (t · 1100)°C	0°C to +600°C ±1.5°C 600°C to 1600°C ±0.0025 · [t]	- - -
			В	Platinum - 30% Rhodium vs Platinum - 6% Rhodium	Range Tolerance Range Tolerance	- - -	- - 600°C to 1700°C ±0.0025 · [t]	600°C to +800°C ±4.0°C 800°C to 1700°C ±0.005 · [t]
			C	Tungsten - 5% Rhenium vs Tungsten - 26% Rhenium	Range Tolerance Range Tolerance	- - -	0°C to +425°C ±4.4°C 425°C to 2320°C ±1.0%	- - -
			D	Tungsten - 3% Rhenium vs Tungsten - 25% Rhenium	Range Tolerance Range Tolerance	- - -	0°C to +400°C ±4.5°C 400°C to 2320°C ±1.0%	

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	Extension Cables								
SEC	Diagram	Specification		Diagram	Specification				
A27		HR PVC Twisted Pair with Screen (105°C) One pair of 7/0.2mm stranded conductors HR PVC insulated. Pair twisted, screened with Mylar [®] aluminium tape and drain wire. HR PVC sheathed overall.	C40		Fibreglass Flat Twin (480°C) One pair of 7/0.2mm stranded conductors double glass fibre lapped, braided and varnished. Pair laid flat, glass fibre braided and varnished.				
B20		PFA Flat Twin (250°C) One pair of 1/0.5mm solid conductors PFA insulated. Pair laid flat. PFA sheathed overall.	C60		Fibreglass Flat Twin with Steel Braid (480°C) One pair of 7/0.2mm stranded conductors double glass fibre lapped, braided and varnished. Pair laid flat, glass fibre braided and varnished. Stainless steel wire braided overall.				
B50		PFA Flat Twin (250°C) One pair of 7/0.2mm stranded conductors PFA insulated. Pair laid flat. PFA sheathed overall.	C80		HT Fibreglass Flat Twin with Steel Braid (800°C) One pair of 13/0.2mm conductors, double HT glass fibre lapped, braided & silicone varnished. Pair laid flat, HT glass fibre braided & silicone varnished. Stainless steel wire braided overall.				
B80		PFA Twisted Pair with Screen (250°C) One pair of 7/0.2mm stranded conductors PFA insulated. Pair twisted, screened with Mylar® aluminium tape and drain wire with a PFA sheath overall.	M 1702		PVC 2-Pair - for Duplex Sensors (105°C) Two pairs of 7/0.2mm stranded conductors FR PVC insulated. Pairs twisted and individually screened with Mylar® aluminium tape with a drainwire. Pairs laid up and screened overall with Mylar® aluminium tape with a drainwire. FR PVC sheathed.				
C20		Fibreglass Flat Twin (480°C) One pair of 1/0.5mm solid conductors double glass fibre lapped, braided and varnished. Pair laid flat, glass fibre braided and varnished.	BM 0702		PFA 2-Pair - for Duplex Sensors (250°C) Two pairs of 7/0.2mm dia stranded conductors PFA insulated. Pairs twisted and bunched and screened with Mylar® aluminium tape with a drainwire. PFA sheathed.				

Order Code - Example										
Style No.	Thermocouple Type (see section 1)	Sheath Material (see section 3)	Insulation Material (see section 2)	Sheath Diameter (see section 3)	Sensing Junction (see section 4)	Sheath Length (in mm)	End Seal Termination (see section 5)	Extension Cable (see section 6)		
27	- R	- P10R	- MGO	- 3.2	- 21	- 500 -	3P4CLB	- 2 MTRS C60RCA		
no cable is required, leave this section of the order code blank and the sensor will be supplied with PFA tails. Other cables are available on request. 'HR' = Heat Resistant, 'FR' = Flame Retardant										

Calibration

TC Ltd can perform calibration in both inert and oxidising environments. We offer calibration to internationally recognised and approved standards for sensors and instrumentation. Units can be calibrated prior to despatch, or units purchased previously or elsewhere can be sent to our manufacturing facility at a later date. 'System' calibration can be performed to ensure that instrumentation and sensors are reading correctly and what errors you can expect in your application. Please contact us for a full list of calibration services we offer.

Additional Services

X-Rav

Radiographic inspection (X-Ray) is a method of non-destructive testing, a service offered by TC Ltd. This is a method for exposing flaws or faults within cold ends of sheaths, sensing sections of sensors or component products. Radiography can determine where a fault has occurred within a faulty sensor, such as a broken connection between an element and extension cables.

Positive Material Identification (XRF, Chemical Analysis)

Using an XRF tester, we are able to determine the exact chemical composition of any metal tube to determine which sheath material sensors have been manufactured from. This is a form of non-destructive testing and does not impair or affect the sensor.

Helium Leak Testing

Due to Helium being non-toxic, inert, non-flammable and non-condensable, it is the ideal choice for a tracer gas to find leaks within sheaths. Due to a small atomic mass, helium passes easily through leaks and imperfections.

Tagging/Lasermarking/Etching

TC Ltd are able to provide a service for easy identification and to help customers keep track of sensors once they have arrived on site. This includes various tagging options such as metal or plastic 'keyfob' type tags, printing directly onto a sheath or connector with a laser, or etching details onto connectors or pot seals. All options are relatively inexpensive and are quick to do.



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