

PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATION SHEET

RESISTOR, FIXED, METAL STRIP, CURRENT SENSING,
2-TERMINAL, UNENCAPSULATED, INDUSTRIAL,
HIGH RELIABILITY, SPACE LEVEL, STYLE RCST3921

This specification is approved for use by all Departments
and Agencies of the Department of Defense.

The requirements for acquiring the product described herein shall
consist of this specification sheet and [MIL-PRF-32783](#).

1. SCOPE

1.1 Scope. This specification covers the requirements for style RCST3921, fixed, metal strip, 2-terminal, unencapsulated, industrial, high reliability, space level resistors.

1.2 Part or Identifying Number (PIN). Resistors covered by this specification are identified by a PIN which consists of the basic number of this specification and a coded dash number. The PIN is in the following form:

<u>M32783</u>	<u>02BR0010FT</u>
_____	_____
Performance	Coded dash
specification number	number

The coded dash number must be derived in accordance with [MIL-PRF-32783](#).

2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

2.1 General. The documents listed in this section are specified in sections 3 and 4 of this specification. This section does not include documents cited in other sections of this specification or recommended for additional information or as examples. While every effort has been made to ensure the completeness of this list, document users are cautioned that they must meet all specified requirements of documents in sections 3 and 4 of this specification, whether or not they are listed.

2.2 Government documents.

2.2.1 Specifications, standards, and handbooks. The following specifications, standards, and handbooks form a part of this document to the extent specified herein. Unless otherwise specified, the issues of these documents are those cited in the solicitation or contract.

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[MIL-PRF-32783](#) - Resistor, Fixed, Metal Strip, Current Sensing, Metal Strip, Terminal Temperature Rated, Industrial, High Reliability, Space Level, General Specification for

(Copies of these documents are available online at <https://quicksearch.dla.mil/>.)

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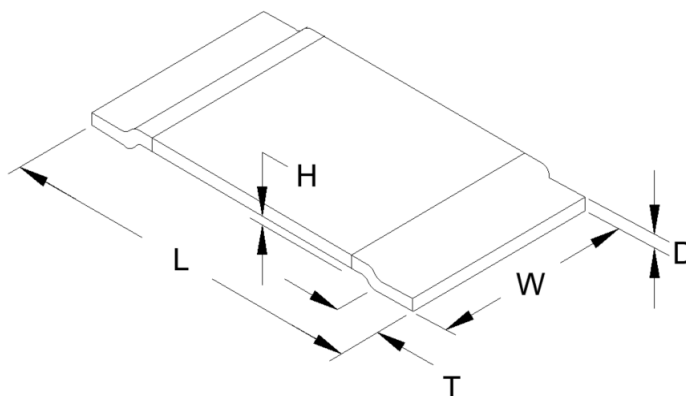


2.3 Order of precedence. Unless otherwise noted herein or in the contract, in the event of a conflict between the text of this document and the references cited herein, (except for related associated specifications, specification sheets or MS standards), the text of this document takes precedence. Nothing in this document, however, supersedes applicable laws and regulations unless a specific exemption has been obtained.

3. REQUIREMENTS

3.1 General. The requirements for acquiring the product described herein shall consist of this document and [MIL-PRF-32783](#).

3.2 Interface and physical dimensions. Resistors shall meet the interface and physical dimensions specified on figure 1, as applicable.



Dimension L Inch	Dimension W Inch	Dimension H Inch	Dimension T Inch	[Resistance dependent]
0.394 ± 0.012 (10.0 $\pm$ 0.3)	0.205 ± 0.015 (5.20 $\pm$ 0.381)	0.020 ^{1/} (0.5)	0.080 ± 0.010 (2.00 $\pm$ 0.254)	[0.2 mΩ to 5 mΩ]
			0.130 ± 0.010 (3.30 $\pm$ 0.254)	[0.1 mΩ only]

Dimension D (inch)			
Resistance value (mΩ)	Height	Resistance value (mΩ)	Height
0.1	0.056 ± 0.010 (1.42 $\pm$ 0.25)	1	0.015 ± 0.010 (0.38 $\pm$ 0.25)
0.2	0.056 ± 0.010 (1.42 $\pm$ 0.25)	1.5	0.036 ± 0.010 (0.91 $\pm$ 0.25)
0.3	0.051 ± 0.010 (1.30 $\pm$ 0.25)	2	0.027 ± 0.010 (0.69 $\pm$ 0.25)
0.4	0.035 ± 0.010 (0.89 $\pm$ 0.25)	3	0.017 ± 0.010 (0.43 $\pm$ 0.25)
0.5	0.030 ± 0.010 (0.76 $\pm$ 0.25)	4	0.013 ± 0.010 (0.33 $\pm$ 0.25)
0.7	0.0205 ± 0.010 (0.52 $\pm$ 0.25)	5	0.013 ± 0.010 (0.33 $\pm$ 0.25)

^{1/} H dimension is reference only. Total height is H dimension + D thickness $\pm$ 0.010" ($\pm$ 0.254 mm).

NOTES:

- Dimensions are in inches.
- Metric equivalents in parentheses are given for general information only.
- The pictorial view of the styles above are given as representative of the envelope of the item. Slight deviations from the outline shown, which are contained within the envelope, and do not alter the functional aspects of the device are acceptable.

FIGURE 1. Style RCST3921.

3.3. Power rating. Full rated power shall be per table I at the terminal temperature = 100°C. Short time overload ratings are based on testing at room ambient conditions only.

TABLE I. Power rating.

Resistance range (mΩ)	Power rating	Short time overload power multiplier
0.1	7	3.5
0.2	7	
0.3	6	
0.4	6	
0.5	5	
0.7	5	
1	4	
1.5	4	5
2	4	
3	3	
4	2	
5	2	

3.4 Resistance temperature coefficient. The resistance temperature coefficient shall be in accordance with table II.

TABLE II. Resistance temperature characteristic.

Characteristic symbol	Resistance temperature characteristic (ppm/°C)	Resistance range (mΩ)
K	±350	0.1
G	±250	0.2
E	±150	0.3 to 0.4
D	±110	0.5 to 1
C	±75	1.5 to 5

3.5 Resistance. Discrete values are standard offerings. Any value in between 0.1 mΩ to 4 mΩ may be ordered depending on the manufacturer capability (see [figure 1](#), table I and table II).

3.6 Resistance tolerance. Resistance tolerances are available in (D) ±0.5 percent, (F) ±1 percent, and (J) ±5 percent.

3.7 Burn-In. The terminal temperature shall be 100°C.

3.8 Short time overload. See table I for power multiplier.

3.9 Life. The terminal temperature shall be 100°C.

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3.10 Performance characteristics. The performance characteristics shall be in accordance with table III.

TABLE III. Performance characteristics.

Test or condition	Units	Characteristic C	Characteristic D	Characteristic E	Characteristic G	Characteristic K
Maximum terminal temperature at full wattage	Temperature °C	100	100	100	100	100
Maximum terminal temperature at zero wattage	Temperature °C	170	170	170	170	170
Thermal shock	% change in resistance	±1.0%	±1.0%	±1.0%	±1.0%	±1.0%
Burn-In (space level only)		±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%
Low temperature operation		±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%
Short time overload		±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%
High temperature exposure		±1.0%	±1.0%	±1.0%	±1.0%	±1.0%
Moisture resistance		±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%
Life		±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%
Resistance to soldering heat		±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%
Board flex		±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%	±0.5%
Resistance temperature characteristic	ppm/°C	±75	±110	±150	±250	±350
Resistance tolerance	± percent	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
		5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0

4. VERIFICATION

4.1 Verification. Verification shall be in accordance with [MIL-PRF-32783](#).

5. PACKAGING

5.1 Packaging. For acquisition purposes, the packaging requirements shall be as specified in the contract or order (see 6.2). When packaging of materiel is to be performed by DoD or in-house contractor personnel, these personnel need to contact the responsible packaging activity to ascertain packaging requirements. Packaging requirements are maintained by the Inventory Control Point's packaging activity within the Military Service or Defense Agency, or within the military services system commands. Packaging data retrieval is available from the managing Military Department's or Defense Agency's automated packaging files, CD-ROM products, or by contacting the responsible packaging activity.

6. NOTES

(This section contains information of a general or explanatory nature that may be helpful but is not mandatory.)

6.1 Intended use. Resistors are intended to be used in hybrid circuits where micro-circuitry is indicated and in surface mount applications.

6.2 Acquisition requirements. Acquisition documents should specify the following:

- a. Title, number, date of this specification, the applicable associated specification, and the complete PIN (see [1.2](#)).
- b. Unless otherwise specified (see [2.1](#)), the versions of the individual documents referenced will be those in effect on the date of release of the solicitation.
- c. Packaging requirements (see [5.1](#)).
- d. If marking is required (see [MIL-PRF-32783](#)).

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