



Power contactor
BF38

Product designation

Product type designation

Contact characteristics

Number of poles	Nr.	4
Rated insulation voltage U _i IEC/EN	V	690
Rated impulse withstand voltage U _{imp}	kV	6
Operational frequency	min	Hz 25
	max	Hz 400
IEC Conventional free air thermal current I _{th}	A	56
Operational current I _e		
	AC-1 (≤40°C)	A 56
	AC-1 (≤40°C) with 16mm ² wire and fork end lug	A 60
	AC-1 (≤55°C)	A 45
	AC-1 (≤55°C) with 16mm ² wire and fork end lug	A 48
	AC-1 (≤70°C)	A 40
	AC-1 (≤70°C) with 16mm ² wire and fork end lug	A 42
	AC-3 (≤440V ≤55°C)	A 38
	AC-4 (400V)	A 15.5
Rated operational power AC-1 (T≤40°C)		
	230V	kW 21
	400V	kW 36
	500V	kW 45
	690V	kW 62
Short-time allowable current for 10s (IEC/EN60947-1)	A	320
Protection fuse		
	gG (IEC)	A 63
	aM (IEC)	A 40
Making capacity (RMS value)	A	380
Breaking capacity at voltage		
	440V	A 304
	500V	A 240
	690V	A 192
Resistance per pole (average value)	mΩ	2
Power dissipation per pole (average value)		
	I _{th}	W 6
	AC-3	W 2.9
Tightening torque for terminals		
	min	Nm 2.5
	max	Nm 3
	min	I _{bin} 1.8
	max	I _{bin} 2.2
Tightening torque for coil terminal		
	min	Nm 0.8
	max	Nm 1

	min	I _{bin}	0.8
	max	I _{bin}	0.74
Max number of wires simultaneously connectable		Nr.	2
Conductor section			
AWG/Kcmil			
	max		6
Flexible w/o lug conductor section			
	min	mm ²	2.5
	max	mm ²	16
Flexible c/w lug conductor section			
	min	mm ²	1
	max	mm ²	10
Flexible with insulated spade lug conductor section			
	min	mm ²	1
	max	mm ²	10
Power terminal protection according to IEC/EN 60529			IP20 when properly wired
Mechanical features			
Operating position			
	normal allowable		Vertical plan ±30°
Fixing			Screw / DIN rail 35mm
Weight		g	665
Operations			
Mechanical life		cycles	20000000
Electrical life		cycles	1400000
Safety related data			
Performance level B10d according to EN/ISO 13489-1			
	rated load	cycles	1400000
	mechanical load	cycles	20000000
EMC compatibility			yes
AC coil operating			
AC operating voltage			
	of 50/60Hz coil powered at 50Hz drop-out		
	max	%U _s	55
DC coil operating			
DC rated control voltage		V	48
DC operating voltage			
	pick-up		
	min	%U _s	80
	max	%U _s	110
	drop-out		
	min	%U _s	10
	max	%U _s	40
Average coil consumption ≤20°C			
	in-rush	W	2.4
	holding	W	2.4
Max cycles frequency			
Mechanical operation		cycles/h	3600
Operating times			
Average time for U _s control			

in AC

Closing NO

min	ms	8
max	ms	24

Opening NO

min	ms	5
max	ms	15

Closing NC

min	ms	9
max	ms	20

Opening NC

min	ms	9
max	ms	17

in DC

Closing NO

min	ms	76
max	ms	92

Opening NO

min	ms	16
max	ms	20

Closing NC

min	ms	25
max	ms	31

Opening NC

min	ms	63
max	ms	71

UL technical data

Rated operational voltage AC (UL)	V	600
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Full-load current (FLA) for three-phase AC motor

at 480V	A	40
at 600V	A	32

Yielded mechanical performance

for single-phase AC motor

110/120V	HP	3
230V	HP	7.5

for three-phase AC motor

200/208V	HP	10
220/230V	HP	15
460/480V	HP	30
575/600V	HP	30

General USE

Contactor

AC current	A	55
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Ambient conditions

Temperature

Operating temperature

min	°C	-50
max	°C	70

Storage temperature

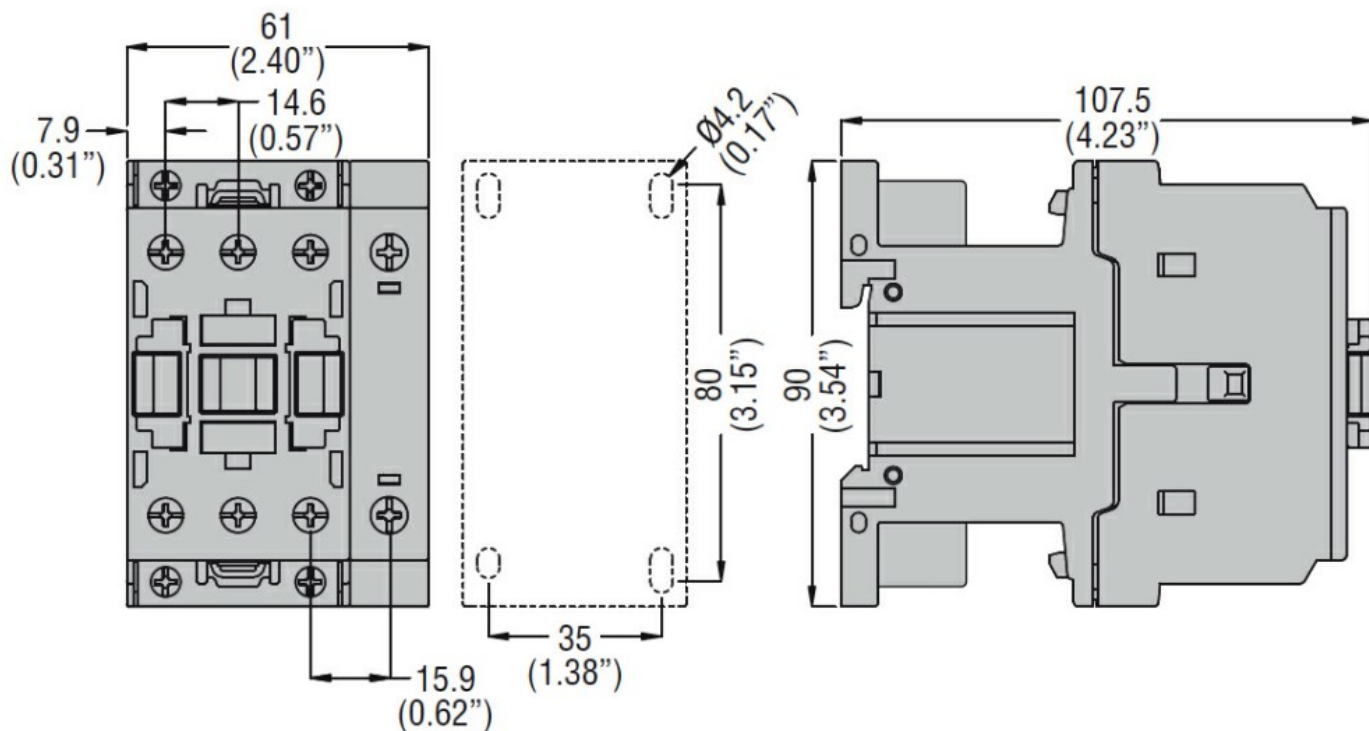
min	°C	-60
max	°C	80

Max altitude	m	3000
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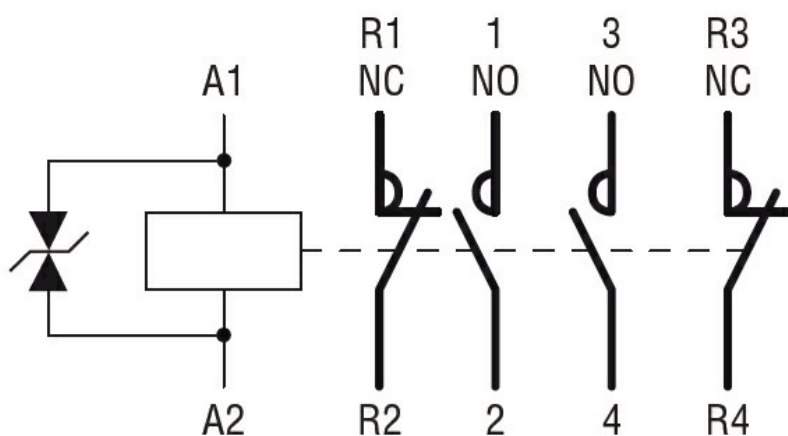
Resistance & Protection

Pollution degree	3
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Dimensions



Wiring diagrams



Certifications and compliance

Compliance

CSA C22.2 n° 60947-1
CSA C22.2 n° 60947-4-1
IEC/EN/BS 60947-1
IEC/EN/BS 60947-4-1
UL 60947-1
UL 60947-4-1

Certificates

CCC
cULus
EAC

ETIM classification

ETIM 8.0

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Power contactor,
AC switching