

**General Information** These versatile miniature switches have 25.4 mm diameter moulded wafers and are available in 2 versions, 36° indexing - having 18 clip positions and 30° indexing - having 22 such positions. 15°, 45° and 60° indexing are variations of the latter. Optional features include concentric shafts, panel and spindle seals, printed circuit termination's and momentary contact models.

**Characteristics.**

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| Electrical, Maximum working voltage,                 | 300Vdc/ac (rms).  |
| Contact rating, Current carrying                     | 2amp continuous.  |
| Current breaking with a resistive/non-reactive load. | 150mA at 250Vac (rms)..   |
| Proof Voltage.                                       | 1000Vrms at sea level.  |
| Insulation resistance.                               | Not less than 500 megohms at 500Vdc.<br>(between any 2 parts requiring electrical insulation) |
| Contact resistance (initial).                        | 10 milliohms maximum at 100mV (rms). 100mA.max.   |
| Mechanical.  |   |
| End stop strength.                                   | 0,8 ± 0,1 Nm (114oz.in.)  |
| Temperature range.                                   | -40°C. to +100°C.   |

**Maximum Switching Per Wafer**

| No. of Poles. | 36° MU-MA (b)<br>10 Positions. | 30° MU-MA (a) | 45° MU-MA (c)   | 60° MU-MA (d) | 15° MU-MG<br>2 wafers |
|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Pole.       | 2 to 10 ways                   | 2 to 12 ways  | 2 to 8 ways     | 2 to 6 ways   | providing 1 pole      |
| 2 Pole.       | 2 to 5 ways                    | 2 to 7 ways   | (fixed stop at  | 2 to 6 ways   | 24 way                |
| 3 Pole.       | 2 to 4 ways                    | 2 to 5 ways   | positions 3, 5, | 2 or 3 ways   | switching.            |
| 4 Pole.       | 2 or 3 ways                    | 2 to 4 ways   | and 7 ways)     | 2 or 3 ways   |                       |
| 5 Pole.       | -                              | 2 to 3 ways   |                 | 2 ways only   |                       |
| 6 Pole.       | -                              | 2 ways only   |                 | on-off        |                       |
| 7 Pole.       | -                              | 2 ways only   |                 | -             |                       |

**Index Mechanism.**

The Type MU mechanism provides indexing angles of 30°, 36°, 45° and 60°, (see Bulletin RW36 for full technical details).

The low friction moulded cam followers in the assembly ensures a smooth indexing action. Balance pressure springs provide consistent and readily reproducible total switch torque values within the following ranges.

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| Light | 7 to 18 x 10 <sup>-2</sup> Nm (10 to 26 oz, ins.)  | Medium | 14 to 32 x 10 <sup>-2</sup> Nm (20 to 46 oz, ins.) |
| High  | 28 to 56 x 10 <sup>-2</sup> Nm (40 to 80 oz, ins.) |        |  |

Type A indexing mechanism may also be used as an alternative where a simpler, space saving mechanism is required. The switch then becomes model A-MA. 30° indexing only.

**Contacts & Termination's.**

Standard. Silver plated brass.

Alternatives. - Hard gold plated or silver contacts are available at extra cost as are contacts with gold flash.

Termination's. - Forward, standard: Straight, alternative.

**Rotor Blades.**

Standard. - Shorting. (make before break. MBB.)

Alternative. - Non-shorting. (break before make. BBM.)

**Insulation.**

Stator. - Moulded glass fibre loaded diallylphthalate (DAP)

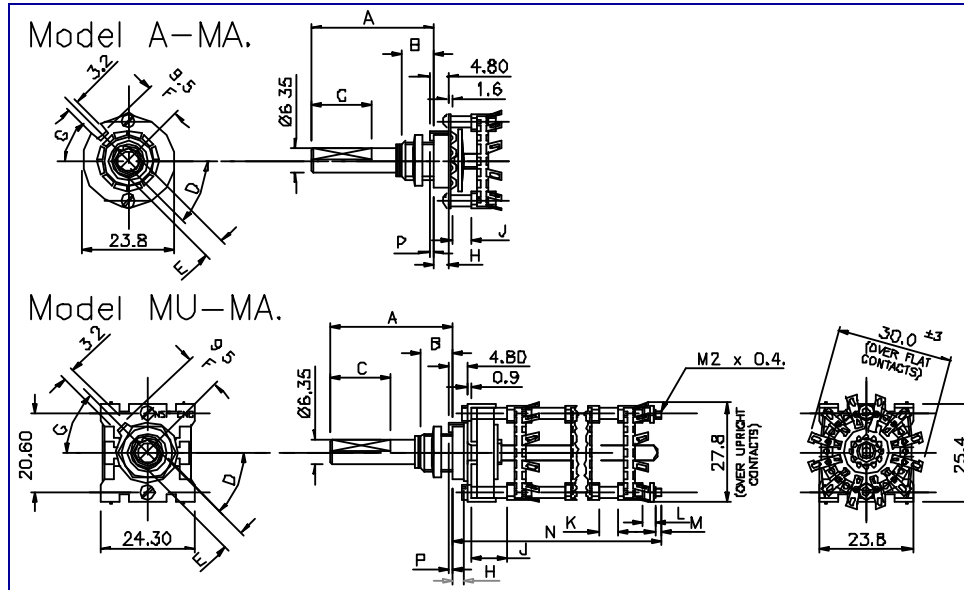
Rotor. - Polycarbonate.

**Finish.** Index Springs, Stainless steel: other metal parts, passivated zinc plated. Finishes to order.

**Mounting Details.**

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| Imperial (standard).      | Metric (alternative) |
| Bush 3/8" x 32TPI (Whit.) | M10 x 0.75.          |
| Shaft 0.25" dia.          | 6mm, dia.            |
| Nut 0.525" A/F.           | 14mm A/F.            |

- Variations.
1. Biased indexing is available giving momentary contact on positions 8 to 7, 5 to 4, 4 to 3, 3 to 2 and 2 to 1 as well as 3 position biased to centre.
  2. Concentric shafts - dual concentric shafts and mechanisms for dual switching applications. (Not available for 36° indexing).
  3. Insulated shafts.
  4. Electrostatic shields.
  5. Printed circuit termination's - 2 types are available giving a variation in mounting height of the wafer above the P.C.board.
  6. Adjustable stops - 2 types are available.
    - Front - can be set without dismantling the switch and are available on models MU-MA (a),(d) and A-MA with imperial bush.
    - Rear - for use with all other indexing variations both Imperial and Metric versions.



Dimensions Are In Millimetres

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| A. Shaft length: optional $\pm 0.40$ (0.016")  | H. Bushing shoulder; standard 3,2 (0.125")   |
| B. Bushing thread length: preferred standard 9.5 (0.375"); 6.35 (0.250") available as an alternative. Special lengths if necessary   | J. Front spacer, minimum dimension: MU-MA 9,5 (0.375"), A-MA 5   |
| C. Flat length: length to specification. Tolerance $\pm 0.40$ (0.016"). Special shaft termination's may be provided to special requirements.   | K. Other spacers: minimum dimensions.<br>Clips facing same direction NIL.<br>Clips facing away or flat clips NIL.<br>Clips facing each other 3 |
| D. Angle of flat: to specification $\pm 2^\circ$ ; specify position of flat, with switch shaft in <b>fully anti-clockwise</b> position when viewed from front or knob end.                                       | L. If no spacer 2,4 . Any length spacer desired may be inserted at this point.   |
| E. Flat thickness: standard $5.55 \pm 0.15$ for grub screws; $4.95 \pm 0.05$ for push-on knobs.  | M. Thread extension: typically 3 x M2 x 0,4 any length desired.  |
| F. Distance of locating lug from shaft, centre line to centre line.  | P. Standard locating lug lengths:<br>unsealed, projects 1.6 beyond mounting face;<br>sealed, 0,05 / 0,15 below mounting face;                  |
| G. Angle of locating lug: type MU mechanism; $45^\circ, 135^\circ, 225^\circ$ and $315^\circ$ from horizontal centre line; the alternative "A" type mechanism also includes $0^\circ$ and $180^\circ$ as viewed. |  |



## Engineering Bulletin No RW44 Rotary Wafer Switch - Slimline Indexing Mechanism

### General Information

These slim indexing mechanisms provide a reduced dimension behind the panel compared with the standard mechanisms.

Features,

- Lower noise from the indexing with energy absorbing moulded components.
- Exceptional electrical insulation.
- Low capacitance.
- Quiet operation with low friction factor.
- Hygienic and corrosion resistance.
- High strength moulded bush.
- No additional lubrication from enclosed indexing mechanism.

### New feature,

A recent improvement to the action on the 30° mechanism has improved the **positive action** or feel of the switch providing a more precise indexing which is almost impossible to tease indexed positions. To order this option please specify positive action version.

### Specification. Materials :-

Shaft and index wheel, Adjustable stop plate and Index housing :- Glass Filled Nylon.  
 Plunger :- Polyacetal.  
 Index springs :- Spring Music Wire  
 Torque :- Standard, 13 oz.ins.  
 Life :- 20,000 cycles.  
 Stops :- One fixed stop in the housing with a rear adjustable stop plate.  
 Struts :- Standard 2mm. dia. maximum length 54mm.  
 Shaft :- Round, standard :- flats, to order.  
 Maximum number of wafers per switch :- 3 (depending on total number of poles perswitch).  
 Maximum number of poles per switch :- 8  
 Special switching requirements will be considered on request.  
 Sealing :- Not available.

### Maximum Switching.

| No. of Poles. | 30° Index.MA  | 30° Index.PCA | 30° Index. A  | 36° Index.MA  |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|               | 12 Positions. | 12 Positions. | 12 Positions. | 10 Positions. |
| 1 Pole.       | 2 to 12 ways  | 2 to 12 ways  | 2 to 12 ways  | 2 to 10 ways  |
| 2 Pole.       | 2 to 7 ways   | 2 to 6 ways   | 2 to 6 ways   | 2 to 5 ways   |
| 3 Pole.       | 2 to 5 ways   | 2 to 3 ways   | 2 to 5 ways   | 2 to 4 ways   |
| 4 Pole.       | 2 to 4 ways   | 2 ways only   | 2 to 4 ways   | 2 or 3 ways   |
| 5 Pole.       | 2 to 3 ways   | -             | 2 ways only   | -             |
| 6 Pole.       | 2 ways only   | -             | 2 ways only   | -             |
| 7 Pole.       | 2 ways only   | -             | -             | -             |

