



## **Surge arrester**

3-electrode arrester

**Series/Type:** T20-A420X  
**Ordering code:** B88069X7820C203  
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Features	Applications
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Standard size</li> <li>▪ Fast response time</li> <li>▪ Very high current rating</li> <li>▪ Stable performance over life</li> <li>▪ Very low capacitance</li> <li>▪ High insulation resistance</li> <li>▪ RoHS-compatible</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Line protection</li> <li>▪ Station protection</li> <li>▪ Base stations</li> </ul>

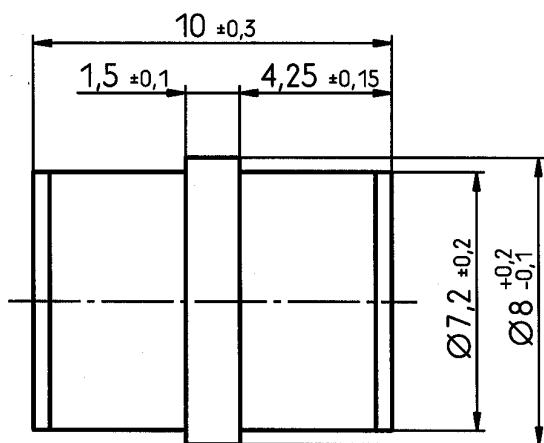
**Electrical specifications**

DC spark-over voltage <sup>1) 2) 4)</sup>	350 ... 550	V
Impulse spark-over voltage <sup>4)</sup>		
at 100 V/μs - for 99 % of measured values	< 750	V
- typical values of distribution	< 700	V
at 1 kV/μs - for 99 % of measured values	< 850	V
- typical values of distribution	< 800	V
Service life		
10 operations      50 Hz; 1 s <sup>5)</sup>	10	A
1 operation        50 Hz; 9 cycles <sup>5)</sup>	50	A
10 operations      8/20 μs <sup>5)</sup>	20	kA
1 operation        8/20 μs <sup>5)</sup>	25	kA
1 operation        10/350 μs <sup>5)</sup>	5	kA
Insulation resistance at 100 V <sub>dc</sub> <sup>4)</sup>	> 10	GΩ
Capacitance at 1 MHz <sup>4)</sup>	< 1.5	pF
Transverse delay time <sup>3)</sup>	< 0.2	μs
Arc voltage at 1 A	~ 30	V
Glow to arc transition current	~ 1	A
Glow voltage	~ 200	V
Weight	~ 2	g
Operation and storage temperature	-40 ... +90	°C
Climatic category (IEC 60068-1)	40/ 90/ 21	
Marking, blue negative	<b>EPCOS</b> <b>420 YY M O</b> 420 - Nominal voltage YY - Year of production M - Month of production (1 ... 9 = Jan ... Sep; O ... D = Oct ... Dec) O - Non radioactive	

- 1) At delivery AQL 0.65 level II, DIN ISO 2859
- 2) In ionized mode
- 3) Test according to ITU-T Rec. K.12
- 4) Tip or ring electrode to center electrode
- 5) Total current through center electrode, half value through tip respectively ring electrode.

Terms in accordance with ITU-T Rec. K.12 and DIN 57845/VDE0845

### Dimensional drawing



nickel-plated

*Not to scale*

*Dimensions in mm*

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### Cautions and warnings

- Surge arresters must not be operated directly in power supply networks.
- Surge arresters may become hot in case of longer periods of current stress (danger of burning).
- Surge arresters may be used only within their specified values. In case of overload, the lead contacts may fail or the component may be destroyed.
- Damaged surge arresters must not be re-used.

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