Pickering Series 115

Single-in-Line SIL/SIP Reed Relays

10, 15 or 20 Watts switching - Very high packing density

1 Form A stacks on 0.15 x 0.27 inches pitch

Features

- **SoftCenter®** construction (see adjacent diagram)
- Highest quality instrumentation grade switches
- Plastic package with internal mu-metal magnetic screen
- They take up the minimum of board area, conserving board space
- Insulation resistance greater than $10^{12} \, \Omega$
- 3, 5 or 12 Volt coils with or without internal diode
- 100% tested for dynamic contact resistance for guaranteed performance

The Pickering Series 115 is a range of Single-in-Line relays intended for very high density applications such as A.T.E. switching matrices or multiplexers.

They are pin compatible with the Pickering Series 116 and 117 but have a slightly higher profile.

The reed switch/coil assemblies used in this series are the same as used in the long established and well proven, Series 109 and 109P.

Two switch types are available. Both types have sputtered ruthenium contacts for long life and high reliability.

Switch type number 1 is better suited for general purpose applications. It has a layer of copper beneath the ruthenium to help dissipate the heat from the contact area. This gives an improved current inrush handling ability.

Switch type number 2 should be chosen for low level or 'cold' switching applications.

Single switch versions require a board area of only 0.15 inches x 0.27 inches. This is one quarter of the board area of the industry standard 0.2 x 0.8 inches Single-in-Line package. The very small size of these relays often makes it possible to increase the functionality of existing designs without increasing the size of printed circuit boards.

The relays feature an internal mu-metal magnetic screen. Mu-metal has the advantage of a high permeability and low magnetic remanence and eliminates problems that would otherwise occur due to magnetic interaction. Relays of this size without magnetic screening would be totally unsuitable for applications where dense packing is required.

3 volt, 5 volt or 12 volt coils are available. An internal Back E.M.F suppression diode is available as an option.
**Series 115 switch ratings** - The contact ratings for each switch type are shown below:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Switch No</th>
<th>Switch form</th>
<th>Power rating</th>
<th>Max. switch current</th>
<th>Max. carry current</th>
<th>Max. switching volts</th>
<th>Life expectancy (see Note 2 below)</th>
<th>Operate time (see Note 3 below)</th>
<th>Release time</th>
<th>Special features</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>15 W (3 V &amp; 2 Form A) 20 W (5 V &amp; 5 Form A)</td>
<td>1.0 A</td>
<td>1.2 A</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>10 pF</td>
<td>0.5 ms</td>
<td>0.2 ms</td>
<td>General purpose</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>10 W</td>
<td>0.5 A</td>
<td>1.2 A</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>10 pF</td>
<td>0.5 ms</td>
<td>0.2 ms</td>
<td>Low level</td>
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Switch no. 2 is particularly good for switching low currents and/or voltages. It is the ideal switch for A.T.E. systems where cold switching techniques are often used. Where higher power levels are involved, switch no. 1 is more suitable.

**Operating voltages**

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<tr>
<th>Coil voltage - nominal</th>
<th>Must operate voltage - maximum at 25°C</th>
<th>Must release voltage - minimum at 25°C</th>
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<tr>
<td>3 V</td>
<td>2.20 V</td>
<td>0.3 V</td>
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<tr>
<td>5 V</td>
<td>3.75 V</td>
<td>0.5 V</td>
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<tr>
<td>12 V</td>
<td>9.0 V</td>
<td>1.2 V</td>
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**Coil data and type numbers**

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<tr>
<th>Device type</th>
<th>Type Number</th>
<th>Coil (V)</th>
<th>Coil resistance</th>
<th>Max. contact resistance (initial)</th>
<th>Insulation resistance (minimum)</th>
<th>Capacitance (typical) (see Note 2 below)</th>
<th>Across open switch</th>
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<tr>
<td>1 Form A (energize to make)</td>
<td>115-1-A-3/1D</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>250 Ω</td>
<td>0.12 Q</td>
<td>1011 Q</td>
<td>2.9 μF</td>
<td>0.14 μF</td>
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<td>General Purpose Switch No. 1</td>
<td>115-1-A-5/1D</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>500 Ω</td>
<td>0.12 Q</td>
<td>1010 Q</td>
<td>2.9 μF</td>
<td>0.14 μF</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 Form A (energize to make)</td>
<td>115-1-A-3/2D</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>250 Ω</td>
<td>0.12 Q</td>
<td>1011 Q</td>
<td>2.9 μF</td>
<td>0.14 μF</td>
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<tr>
<td>Low Level Switch No. 2</td>
<td>115-1-A-5/2D</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>1000 Ω</td>
<td>0.12 Q</td>
<td>1010 Q</td>
<td>2.9 μF</td>
<td>0.14 μF</td>
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<tr>
<td>2 Form A (energize to make)</td>
<td>115-2-A-5/1D</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>250 Ω</td>
<td>0.12 Q</td>
<td>1010 Q</td>
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When an internal diode is required, the suffix D is added to the part number as shown in the table.

**Environmental specification**

**Standard operating temperature range:** -20 to +65 °C

Note: The upper temperature limit can be extended to +125 °C if the coil drive voltage is increased to accommodate the resistance/temperature coefficient of the copper coil winding. This is approximately 0.4% per °C. This means that at 125 °C the coil drive voltage will need to be increased by approximately 40 x 0.4 = 16%, to maintain the required drive level. Please contact sales@pickeringrelay.com for assistance if necessary.

**Vibration:** Maximum 20 G

**Shock:** Maximum 50 G

**Note 1: Life expectancy**

The life of a reed relay depends upon the switch load and end of life criteria. For example, for an ‘end of life’ contact resistance specification of 1 Q, switching low loads (10 V at 10 mA resistive) or when ‘cold’ switching, typical life is approx 1 x 10^7 ops. At the maximum load (resistive), typical life is 1 x 10^8 ops. In the event of abusive conditions, e.g. high currents due to capacitive inrushes, this figure reduces considerably. Pickering will be pleased to perform life testing with any particular load condition.

**Note 2: Switch to coil capacitance**

Due to the asymmetrical internal construction of the relay, the capacitance to the coil from one switch connection is approximately half the capacitance of the other switch connection, pin 3 is lower. In some applications this feature may be used to advantage for example, in a multiplexer where it is desirable to minimize the capacitance of the common connection to maximize bandwidth.

**Note 3: Capacitance across open switch**

The capacitance across the open switch was measured with other connections guarded.

**Example of Packing Density - Actual Size**

In this small area of only 2.16 x 1.2 inches (5.48 x 3.05 cm), it is possible to construct an 8 x 8 matrix - 64, 1 Form A relays.

**Pin Configuration and Dimensional Data**

**Dimensions in inches (Millimeters in brackets)**

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<th>Pin 1</th>
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<td>0.39 (9.90)</td>
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Note 1: The spacing between pins 4 and 5 is greater than between other pins.

Note 2: Pin 3 is round with an outer diameter of 0.0175 (0.44).

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Note 4: When an optional diode is fitted pin 1 is the positive connection.

**3D Models**: Interactive models of the complete range of Pickering relay products can be downloaded from the web site.

**Internal Mu-metal Magnetic Screen**

The Series 115 relays are fitted with an internal mu-metal magnetic screen which permits side-by-side stacking on 0.15 inches pitch.

**Order Code**

- Series
- Number of reeds
- Switch form
- Coil voltage
- Switch number (1 or 2 See table adjacent)
- Diode if fitted (Omit if not required)

**Help**

If you need any technical advice or other help, for example, any special tests that you would like carried out, please do not hesitate to contact our Technical Sales Department. We will always be pleased to discuss Pickering relays with you.

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Please ask us for a FREE evaluation sample.