## Switch Basics

## Basic Structure of a Switch



## Electrical Circuit



## Poles and Schematics

Single Pole
Double Pole
Three Pole
Four Pole

Footprint




Bottom View of Switch




Pole - Number of circuits the switch can control at one time

## Throw



Single Throw Switch ON-NONE-OFF


Throw - Number of electrical circuits within a pole

## Examples of Pole and Throw

- SPST - Single Pole Single Throw
- SPDT - Single Pole Double Throw
- DPST - Double Pole Single Throw
- DPDT - Double Pole Double Throw
- 3PDT - Three Pole Double Throw
- 4PDT - Four Pole Double Throw



## Special Circuits Three-Throw ON-ON-ON

Single Pole Three Throw



2-3, 5-4 connected

External Connection


2-1, 5-4 connected

## Double Pole Three Throw



3-5 and 9-11 External Connection must be made during field installation

## Alternate and Momentary

Alternate with
No Latchdown


Alternate with
Latchdown


Momentary


## N/O and N/C

N/O = Normally Open

N/C = Normally Closed


## Lever Position and Circuits

Two Position Toggle<br><br>ON NONE OFF<br>ON NONE ON<br>ON NONE (ON)

Three Position Toggle

| Down <br> Kerway- | Center | Up |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
| ON | OFF | ON |
| ON | OFF | (ON) |
| (ON) | OFF | ON) |
| ON | ON | ON |

(ON) is momentary
Note: There is a distinction between "throw" and "position". Among two position switches there are single throw ON-NONE-OFF and double throw ON-NONE-ON.

## Isolated Circuits for Illumination



## Types of Terminals

SMD


Solder Lug


Wire-wrap


Screw Lug


Quick Connect


SMD with Bracket


Straight PC with Bracket


Solder Lug


Right Angle SMD with Bracket


Right Angle PC
Vertical PC


Solder Lug/
Quick Connect


## Mounting Options

Panel Mount


Front Panel Mount


Subpanel Mount


Snap-in Mount


Surface Mount


## Type of Actuators

Toggles


Rockers


Paddles

Pushbuttons


## Types of Actuators

Slides


Keylocks


DIP Rotaries


Environmentally Sealed


Sealing at front and back panel meets IP67 and IP60 of IEC60529 Standards.


Conforms to IP67 of IEC60529 Standards at front and behind panel (dust and water protected for temporary immersion).

Panel Seal with O-ring

Splashproof Boot

Panel seal model conforms to IP65 of IEC60529 specifications.



Dust and oil tight and splashproof panel seal meet IP65 of IEC60529 Standards. Panel seal models come with exterior o-ring.

## IP Code

IP60: dust tight but not protected from water.
IP65: dust tight and protected against water jets.
IP67: dust tight and protected against effects of temporary immersion.

## Sliding Twin Crossbar Contacts



## Standards and Approvals

Many of NKK's switches are recognized or certified by UL, cULus, and CSA.


VDE approved models include JP, JW, P, SW3006A, and WR

Other Standards
$\checkmark$ UL94V-0 rating on several switch lines
$\checkmark$ TV rating (TV-5, TV-8) for JW rocker series

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