

## /// Plug-in industrial relay with 2 contacts, low power consumption

Rugged plug-in relays for extreme reliability, within long endurance applications and harsh environments

### CU/CP-A/D

Instantaneous relay



(Picture CU-U203-D is shown)

### Description

Miniature industrial relay with one change-over contact and one normally-open contact. Extreme low power consumption. The contacts are weld-no-transfer contacts: they are mechanically forced in the same position. Standard with high insulation because of flash barrier. Relay for plug-in mounting (CU version) or for PCB mounting (CP version).

The construction of the relay and choice of materials makes the CU/CP-A/D relay suitable to withstand corrosive atmospheres, low and high temperatures, shock & vibrating and dry to very humid environments.

With a very compact design and a wide range of sockets, the CU/CP-A/D relay is an easy and flexible solution to use.

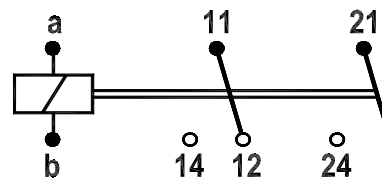
### Application

These relays are designed for industrial applications where available space is limited. The CU/CP-A/D is used in applications where a low power consumption is requested.

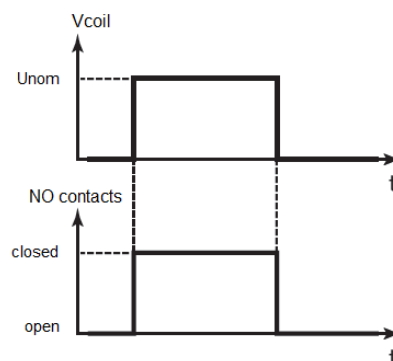
### Features

- Miniature plug-in / PCB relay
- Extreme low power consumption
- Instantaneous 1 C/O + 1 N/O contact
- Weld-no-transfer contacts
- CU/CP-D: DC coil, CU/CP-A: AC coil
- Flat, square and tin plated relay pins for excellent socket connection / PCB mounting pins
- Wide range sockets
- Transparent cover
- High insulation due to flash barrier
- Optional positive mechanical keying relay to socket

### Connection diagram



### Timing diagram



### Compliance

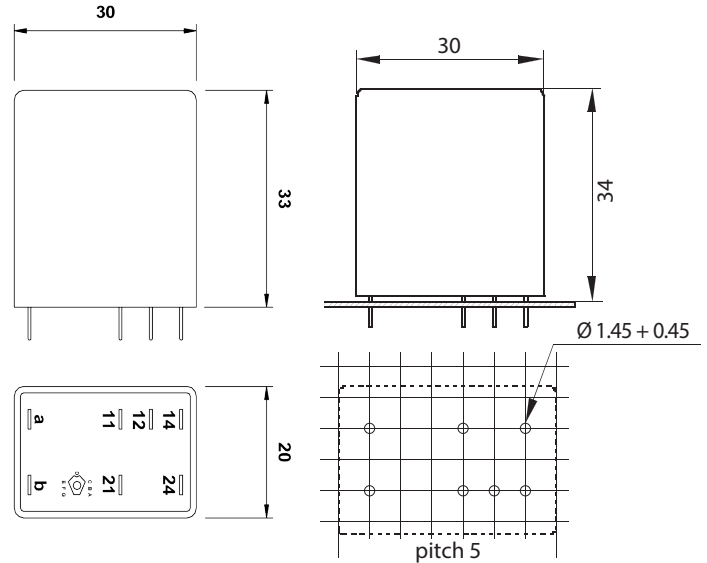
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### Options

- Gold plated contacts

### Dimensions (mm)



CU version

CP version

Hole size:  $\varnothing$  1.45...1.90 mm,  $\varnothing$  1.5 mm recommended  
 Spot size: minimum  $\varnothing$  2.4 mm,  $\varnothing$  3.2 mm recommended

### Sockets

Terminal connection	Mounting	
	Wall / rail mount	PCB
Screw	V16	
Spring clamp	V17	
PCB		V18

For more detailed technical specifications, drawings and ordering information, go to the product page on [www.morssmitt.com](http://www.morssmitt.com)

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## Technical specifications

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### Coil characteristics

Operating times at nominal voltage (typical)	
Pull-in time	≤ 19 ms
Release time	≤ 5 ms
Bounce time N/O contacts	≤ 3 ms
Bounce time N/C contacts	≤ 11 ms
Inductance L/R at Unom (typical value):	
Energized	6 ms
Released	
Nominal power consumption	AC: 0.23...0.8 VA, DC: 0.1 W
Operating voltage range	AC: 0.75 ... 1.1 Unom, DC: 0.85... 1.1 Unom

Type	Unom (VDC)	Umin (VDC)	Umax (VDC)	Udrop-out (VDC)	Rcoil * (Ω)
D20	48	40.8	52.8	4.8	22630
D26	24	20.4	26.4	2.4	6306
D32	12	10.2	13.2	1.2	1550
D38	6	5.1	6.6	0.6	390

Type	Unom (VAC)	Umin (VAC)	Umax (VAC)	Udrop-out (VAC)	Rcoil * (Ω)
A20	180	135	198	18.0	22630
A22	150	112.5	165	15.0	15371
A26	100	75	110	10.0	6306
A32	48	36	52.8	4.8	1550
A36	30	22.5	33	3.0	600
A38	24	18	26.4	2.4	390

Other types on request

\* The Rcoil is measured at room temperature and has a tolerance of ± 10%

#### Remarks:

- Umin is the must-operate voltage at which the relay has picked up in all circumstances (worst-case situation), in practice the relay picks up at a lower voltage
- Udrop-out is the must-release voltage at which the relay has dropped-out in all circumstances (worst-case situation), in practice the relay drops out at a higher voltage
- Always select the nominal voltage as close as possible to the actual voltage in the application
- AC voltages: 50/60 Hz

### Contact characteristics

Amount and type of contacts	1 C/O + 1 N/O
Maximum make current	15 A
Maximum continuous current	6 A
Maximum switching voltage	300 VDC (then max. current = 300 mA) 250 VAC (then max. current = 2.6 A)
Minimum switching voltage	12 V
Minimum switching current	10 mA
Contact resistance	15 mΩ (initial)
Maximum switching capacity	See page 6
Materiall	Ag
Contact gap	0.3 mm
Contact force	> 10 cN

Note: contacts cannot have a different position (forced contacts, weld-no-transfer)

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### Electrical characteristics

Dielectric strength	Pole-pole	4.0 kV, 50 Hz, 1 min
	Cont-coil	3.5 kV, 50 Hz, 1 min
	Open contacts	1.0 kV; 50 Hz; 1 min
Pulse withstanding	IEC 60255-5	5 kV (1.2/50 $\mu$ s)

### Mechanical characteristics

Mechanical life	30 x 10 <sup>6</sup> operations (10 x 10 <sup>6</sup> operations for AC coil)
Maximum switching frequency	Mechanical: 3600 ops/h Electrical: 1200 ops/h
Weight	40 g

### Environmental characteristics

Environmental	EN 50125-1 and IEC 60077-1
Vibration	IEC 61373, Category I, Class B, Body mounted
Shock	IEC 61373, Category I, Class B, Body mounted
Operating temperature	-50 °C...+85 °C
Humidity	95% (condensation is permitted temporarily)
Maximum altitude	2000 meter. Higher altitudes are possible but have consequences mentioned in IEC 60664 (for example 5000 meter with bigger clearance distance)
Salt mist	IEC 60068-2-11, class ST4
Damp heat	IEC 60068-2-30, Test method Db variant 1
Protection	IEC 60529, IP40 (relay on socket)
Fire & smoke	NF F 16-101, NF F 16-102, EN 45545-2: HL3 for requirements R22, R23, R26
Insulation materials	Cover: polycarbonate Base: polyester

### Industry compliancy

IEC 61810	Electromechanical elementary relays
IEC 60947	Low voltage switch gear and control gear
IEC 60947-5-1	Electromechanical control circuit devices and switching elements
IEC 60255	Relay design and environmental conditions
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### Options

Code	Description	Remark	Cannot be combined with:
Standard options:			
E*	Au; Gold plated contacts (10 µm)		

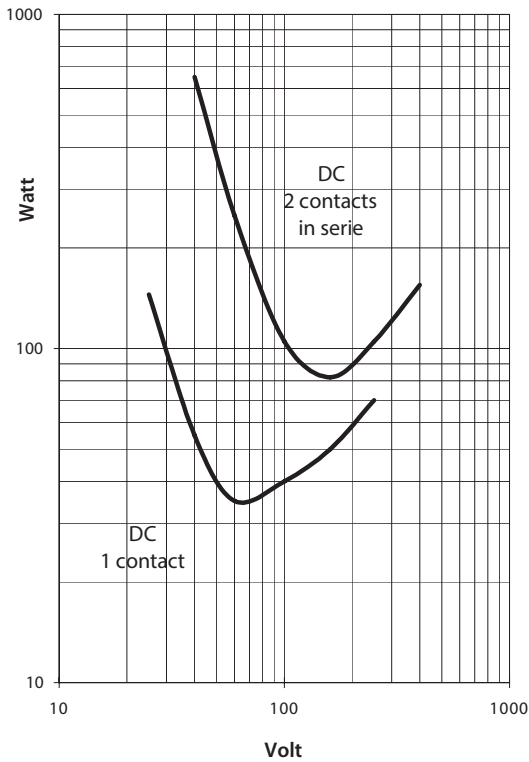
* Gold plated contacts characteristics	
Material	Ag, 10 µm gold plated
Maximum switching voltage	60 V (higher voltages may be possible, contact Mors Smitt for more information)
Maximum switching current	400 mA (at higher rate gold will evaporate, then the standard silver contact rating of minimum 10 mA and 12 V is valid)
Minimum switching voltage	5 V
Minimum switching current	1 mA

Remark: For application support or technical product support, contact your local Mors Smitt sales office (see contact details on last page).

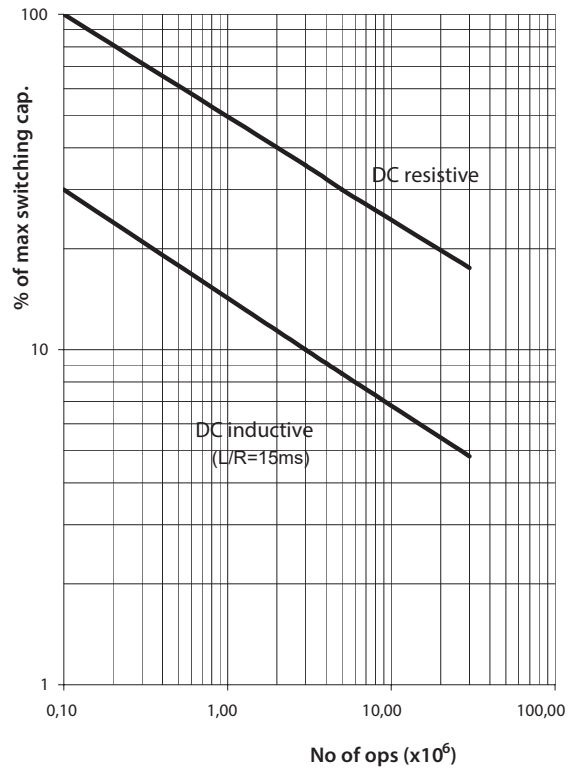
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### Switching capacity and contact life

Maximum switching capacity



Electrical life expectancy



- Step 1: Determine switching voltage out of the application.
- Step 2: Select the maximum switching capacity (in Watt) at this voltage in graph 'Maximum switching capacity'.
- Step 3: Calculate the actual switched load (in Watt) out of the application.
- Step 4: Calculate the % of maximum switching capacity:  $\frac{\text{Actual load}}{\text{Max switching capacity}}$
- Step 5: Pick the life at this load out of the graph 'Electrical life expectancy'.

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### Mounting possibilities/sockets



The CU/CP relays can be mounted in any position except with the connecting pins pointing upwards.

Relays and sockets are all tested to the IEC 61373. For rail mounting it is recommended to mount the socket with the spring side down (that means contacts 14-12-22-24 upwards).

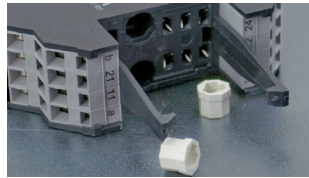
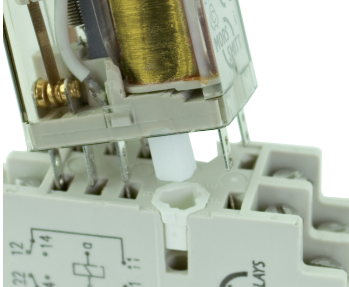
338001500	V16	Relay socket, screw terminal, wall/rail mount, front connection
338001400	V17	Relay socket, spring terminal, wall/rail mount, front connection
338000620	V18	Relay socket for soldering on PCB

Optional: Diode / double zener diode in the socket.

For more details see datasheets of the sockets on [www.morssmitt.com](http://www.morssmitt.com)

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### Mechanical keying relay and socket (optional)



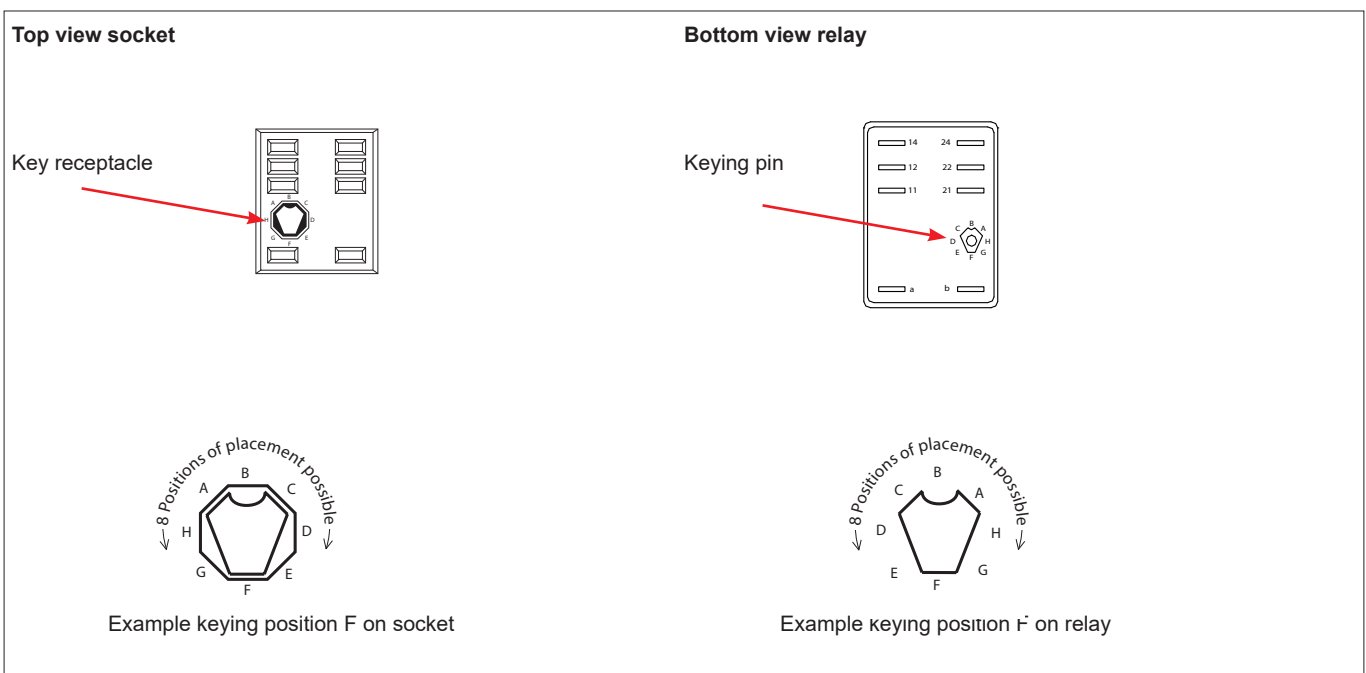
Function:

- To prevent wrong installation
- To prevent damage to equipment
- To prevent unsafe situations

Using keyed relays and sockets prevents a relay is inserted in a wrong socket. For example it prevents that a 24 VDC relay is put in a 110 VDC circuit. Positive discrimination is possible per different function, coil voltage, timing, monitoring, safety and non-safety.

The CU-relay socket keying option gives 8 possibilities. Upon ordering the customer simply indicates the need for the optional keying. Mors Smitt will assign a code to the relay and fix the pins into the relay. Loose key receptacles can be ordered as well when sockets without pre-installed keys need keying. Inserting the keys into the socket is very simple and self explaining.

Remark: Sockets and relay shown are examples.





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### Important for relay selection and operation

Make sure the relay is suitable for the application. For critical applications (for example: green loop applications) relays should be checked on correct working during periodic inspection.

### Recommendations for long time contact reliability

For relays to enable failure free performance over a very long operational time, it is important to create the right circumstances. In any relay, contact usage and atmospheric conditions influence the contact surface. To counter this effect it is common practice to use a safety factor of  $> 2$  to ensure long time contact reliability.

Therefore for long time contact reliability we recommend:

- Silver contacts: a minimum contact current of 20 mA per contact
- Gold contacts: a minimum contact current of 10 mA per contact
- Double Make Double Break contacts: a minimum contact current of 40 mA per contact
- When low currents are switched and not frequently, e.g. 10 mA once a day, it is advised next to gold plated contacts to put similar contacts within the same relay in parallel
- With higher load switching, e.g. 110 VDC and  $> 1$  A, put relay contacts in series
- Rule of thumb: any relay works best with switching currents  $> 20$  mA in DC environment when frequently switched. When not switched frequently a higher switching current like 50 mA is better for a long reliable operational time
- Check relays regularly

### Instructions for use

#### Installation

Before installation or working on the relay: disconnect the power supply first. Install socket and connect wiring according to the terminal identification. Plug relay into the socket ensuring there is no gap between the bottom of relay and the socket. Reverse installation into the socket is not possible due to the mechanical blocking of the standard keying inside CU-relays. Check to ensure that the coil connection polarity is not reversed. Relays can be mounted tightly together to save space.

#### Warning!

- Never use silicon in the proximity of the relays
- Do not use the relay in the presence of flammable gas as the arc generated from switching could cause ignition
- Relays should never be swapped to other circuit positions when taken out of its socket for inspection or fault finding, always place it back into the original position to prevent contact resistance problems. Contact resistance problems can be created when swapping relays between different circuit loads due the contact wear/condition having changed during its operational life.

#### Operation

After installation always apply the rated voltage to the coil to check correct operation. Long term storage may corrode the silver on the relay pins. When plugging the relay into the socket, the female bifurcated or trifurcated receivers will automatically cut through the corrosion on the pins and guarantee a reliable connection.

Before actual use of relays, it is advised to switch the load several times with the contacts. The contacts will both be electrically and mechanically cleaned due to the positive wiping action. Sometimes a contact can build up increased contact resistance ( $\leq 15$  m $\Omega$  when new). When using silver contacts one can clean the contact by switching a contact load a few times using  $>24$  VDC &  $\sim 2$ A. Increased contact resistance is not always problematic, as it depends on circuit conditions. In general a contact resistance of 1  $\Omega$  is no problem, consult Mors Smitt for more information.

Condensation in the relay is possible when the coil is energised (warm) and the outside, environmental temperature is cold. This is a normal phenomenon and will not affect the function of the relay. Materials in the relay have no hygroscopic properties.

#### Inspection / maintenance

Correct operation of the relay can easily be checked as the transparent cover provides good visibility of the moving contacts. If the relay does not seem to operate correctly, check for presence of the appropriate coil voltage and polarity using a suitable multimeter. If a LED is fitted, it indicates voltage presence to the coil. If coil voltage is present, but the relay does not operate, a short circuit of the suppression diode is possible (This may have been reversed due to the coil connection).

Relays can easily be tested with the Mors Smitt Relay Tester. More information on: [www.morssmitt.com](http://www.morssmitt.com).

If the relay doesn't work after inspection, replace the relay unit with a similar model. Do not attempt to open the relay cover or try to repair. Contacts are calibrated and in balance, touching can affect proper operation. Also resoldering may affect correct operation. Since 2009 relays have tamper proof seals fitted and once broken, warranty is void.

Most relay defects are caused by installation faults such as overvoltage, spikes/transients, high/short current far exceeding the relay specifications. When returning the relays for investigation, please provide all information on the RMA form. Send defective relays back to the manufacturer for repair or replacement. Normal wear and tear or external causes are excluded from warranty.

RMA procedure see [www.morssmitt.com](http://www.morssmitt.com)

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### Ordering scheme

C		-	-	
Relay model	<b>U</b>			Plug-in model
	<b>P</b>			PCB model
Coil		<b>D38</b>		6 VDC
		<b>D32</b>		12 VDC
		<b>D26</b>		24 VDC
		<b>D20</b>		48 VDC
		<b>A38</b>		24 VAC, 50/60 Hz
		<b>A36</b>		30 VAC, 50/60 Hz
		<b>A32</b>		48 VAC, 50/60 Hz
		<b>A26</b>		100 VAC, 50/60 Hz
		<b>A22</b>		150 VAC, 50/60 Hz
		<b>A20</b>		180 VAC, 50/60 Hz
			<b>E</b>	Gold plated contacts

Upon ordering indicate keying if necessary.

Example: CU-D26-E

Description: C relay, plug-in model, Unom: 24 VDC, gold plated contact

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