

Global Thinswitch®

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Installation and Operating Instructions

Applies to TW-222-LR



Installation

There are two different methods of installation:

- with the mounting clip from the side of the mold base (Fig. 1)
- attached from the top of the switch using 3mm screws

General

The Thinswitch Limit Switch verifies ejector plate return when tied into the machine control. The switch protects the mold from premature closure after part ejection.

The Thinswitch can also be used with a bolt or pin actuator with a minimum diameter of 9.5mm. Care should be taken to avoid crushing the housing with the actuator.

The Global Thinswitch is designed to operate in conditions where occasional water or oil spray is present. Do not immerse the switch or subject it to direct, continuous liquid spray.

The Thinswitch® is designed for use in very low power mold protection control circuits. It is not intended to switch heavy loads in power applications such as relay or solenoid coils.

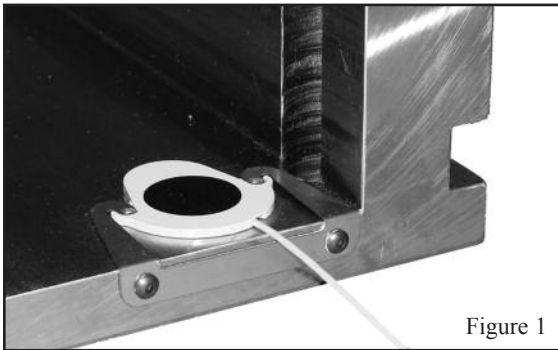


Figure 1

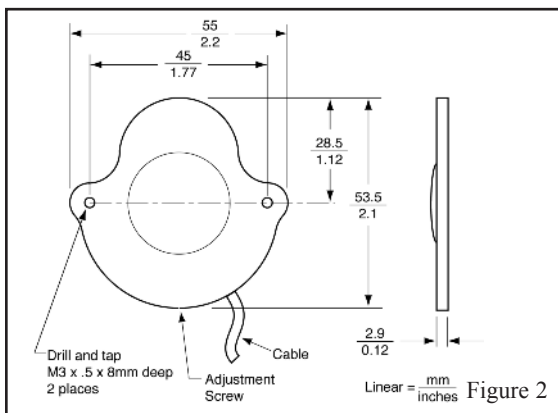


Figure 2

- Check height of the rest buttons.

If button height is less than 3mm, machine a pocket to accept the switch to match rest button height. The top of the dome covering the actuation spring should extend above the rest button. See Figure 4 for Actuation Height.

If button height is 3mm, install without using a spacer.

If button height is 4mm, install 1mm Spacer under the Thinswitch.

If button height is 3/16", install 1.76mm Spacer under the Thinswitch.

- Verify that any rest buttons on the ejector plate will not interfere with the switch, wire clips, or wire routing.
- Drill and tap two mounting holes M3 x .5 x 8mm deep in the location of the switch or the mounting clip depending on your installation. (See Figures 2 and 5)
- Using a voltmeter, verify switch contact operation before placing mold in service.
- Install switch wiring in accordance with appropriate electrical standards. Wire switch directly to the injection molding machine controls or to an approved locking male plug. Consult the instruction manual for your injection molding press for proper switch contact location. Switch actuation is SPST. Black and White wires can be connected interchangeably.
- When using the Mounting Clip, slide the Thinswitch under the clip as shown in Figure 1. Switch should snap securely into place.

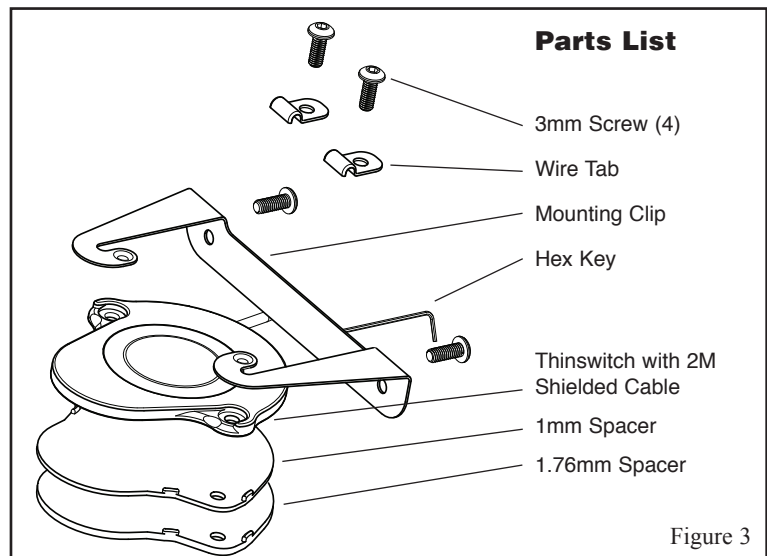


Figure 3

Operation

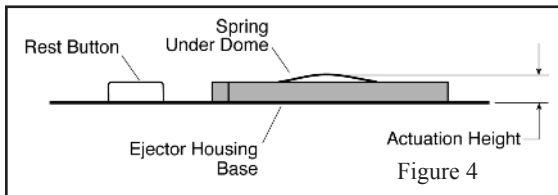
- The actuation height of the switch is adjusted by turning the set screw with included hex key (see Figures 2 and 3).
- Recommended actuation height:

| | Min. | Max. |
|--------------------|-------|-------|
| without 1mm Spacer | 3.2mm | 4.2mm |
| with 1mm Spacer | 4.2mm | 5mm |
| with 1.76mm Spacer | 5mm | 5.8mm |

- Each 1/4 turn of the adjusting screw changes actuation height approximately .14mm.
- Adjust the actuation height to .25mm - .35mm above minimum actuation height.

Before shipment, all switches are calibrated to their optimum actuation point.

Premature spring and switch failure may result by adjusting the operating point more than .5mm above minimum actuation height.



Specifications

Rated current is dependent upon operating temperature. A lower operating temperature allows more current safely through the Thinswitch®. See the table below for details.

| Rated Current (Resistive) vs. Operating Temperature | | |
|---|------|-----|
| mAmps | °C | °F |
| 100 | 29.4 | 85 |
| 90 | 49.0 | 120 |
| 80 | 68.3 | 155 |
| 70 | 79.4 | 175 |

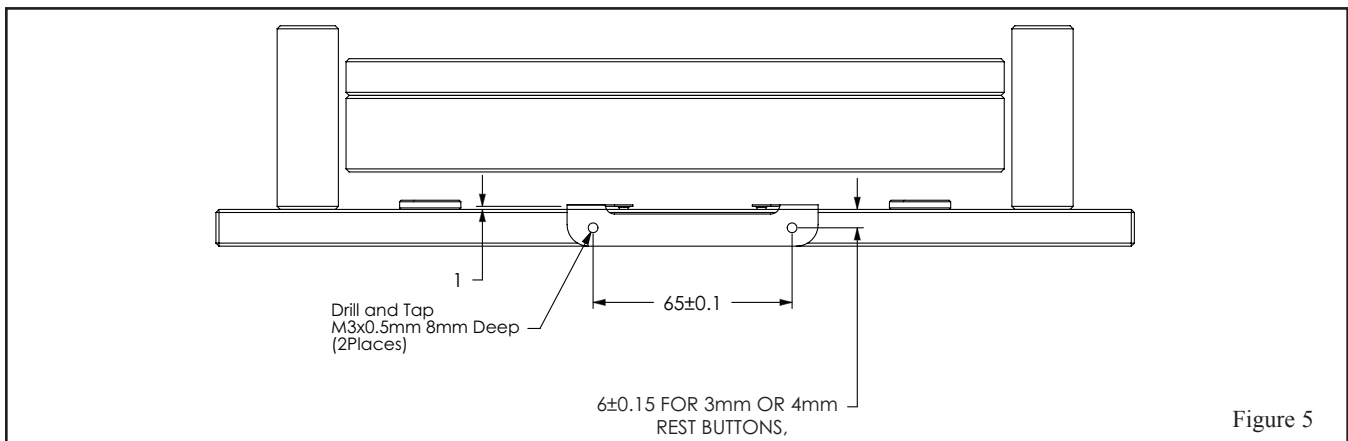
Above rated current is resistive. Thinswitch is not intended for inductive load.

Switching Element Contacts

BeCu with Hard Gold PlatingSPST

Component Materials

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Body | Fiberglass-Reinforced Nylon |
| Spring | #301 Stainless Steel |
| Back Cover | Polyester Film |
| Protective Dome | Polyurethane |
| Wire Leads | 28ga stranded copper 2 conductor, shielded cable, 2m long, ends stripped and tinned |



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