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Specifications

Model	*Switch Rating			
Number	Volts	Amps	Watts	
CH-152	120	15	1800	
CH-252	240	15	3600	

*Use the Chromatrol Switch with a magnetic contactor for:

1. AC heating loads greater than 1800 watts at 120 volts and 3600 watts at 240 volts.

2. All DC heating loads.

3. Amperage ratings are based on a 200F ambient.

Note: Type CH infinite controls are a UL recognized component.

General Information

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Hazard of Electric Shock. This control must be installed by a qualified electrician. Before performing any of the following operations, disconnect all power to prevent possible fatal injury.

- No cams or levers to adjust, no motor to burn out.
- Gives infinite control for non-inductive loads up to 15 amperes on 120 or 240 volts.
- Can be turned either to left or right to select proper heat from 0 to 100% wattage with infinite control over first 50% of total wattage.
- Provides automatic compensation for line voltage fluctuations up to ±15%.
- Energized continuously in HI position; at other settings it delivers selected input level under control of simple bi-metal timer.
- DPST snap-acting switch. OFF position positively breaks both sides of line.
- Designed for operation in an ambient up to 180°F.
- Only 3 mounting holes are necessary to install in customer's box or panel.

Uses: An inexpensive yet positive control for laboratory or industrial hotplates. Type CH infinite controls can also be used for controlling comfort heaters, small electric furnaces, dies, platens and other applications where infinite control is required within the current rating of the switch. For higher AC heating loads and all DC heating loads, use with magnetic contactors

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Users should install adequate controls and safety devices with their electric heating equipment. Where consequences of failure may be severe, back-up controls are essential. Although the safety of the installation is the re-sponsibility of the user, Chromalox will be glad to make equipment recommendations.

Principle of Operation - See Figure 1

- Simple bi-metal timer no cams and levers to be readjusted, or motor to burn out. A small built-in shunt type heater provides a nominal low input of 5-1/2% (±2-1/2%) of rated wattage.
- 2. Control contact is normally closed when the switch is moved from the "Off" position permitting the current to flow thru both the heater windings on the switch bi-metal strip and the load.
- 3. The bi-metal expands and bends as it becomes warm (due to current flow) to open the control contact which interrupts the flow of current to the heater windings and the load.
- 4. The bi-metal cools to close the contacts and the cycle repeats.

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Not for use in hazardous environments as described in National Electrical Code. Failure to comply can result in explosion or fire.



Figure 1

Mounting

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Do not mount the controller where it will be subject to vibration, shock, grease, dust, lint or corrosive vapors. Do not mount adjacent to a large magnetic contactor, as vibration and shock will cause the controller to interact erratically – resulting in chattering of the contactor.

- 1. Locate the mounting position of the switch.
- 2. Layout mounting holes as per Figure 2.
- 3. Drill a 3/8" diameter hole for the switch adjustment shaft.
- 4. Drill two 1/4" diameter holes for the anti-turn locking tabs.
- 5. Pull off knob and remove 3/8" shaft hex nut from switch.
- 6. Insert switch shaft thru 3/8" hole and position an anti-turn locking tab in each 1/4" hole after switch side marked "Top" is in top-most position.
- 7. Tighten the hex nut (3/8-24) on the shaft.

Wiring

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HAZARD OF ELECTRIC SHOCK. Disconnect all power before wiring or servicing this control. Failure to comply can result in electrical shock or electrocution.

- 1. All wiring should be done in accordance with local codes and the National Electrical Code by a qualified person.
- 2. Wire for direct control of loads up to 15 amperes See Wiring Diagram (Figure 3) – Connect:
 - a. Two line circuit wires to switch terminals marked L1 and L2 respectively.
 - b. Two load wires to switch terminals marked H1 and HC respectively.
- 3. When used, connect Pilot Lite between switch terminals P and L2.



Figure 2



Figure 3

For customers	replacing	previous the	version:
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Old Terminal #	New Terminal #	
L1	L1	
L2	L2	
Р	Р	
H1	H1	
H2	HC	

Limited Warranty: Please refer to the Chromalox limited warranty applicable to this product at http://www.chromalox.com/customer-service/policies/termsofsale.aspx.

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