# **Screw Plug Immersion Heaters**

## Overview

#### Description

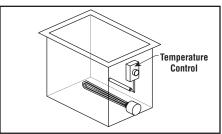
Screw Plug Immersion Heaters consist of hairpin bent tubular elements brazed or welded into a screw plug and provided with terminal enclosures for electrical connections. Screw Plug Immersion Heaters are screwed directly through a threaded opening in a tank wall or through a matching pipe coupling or half coupling. Sizes of screw plug heaters are available with 1/2, 3/4, 1, 1-1/4, 2 and 2-1/2" pipe threads. A wide selection of screwplug sizes, kilowatt ratings, voltages, sheath materials, terminal enclosures and thermostats makes these compact heaters ideal for all types of applications.

#### **Applications**

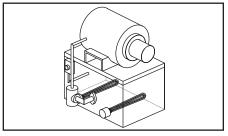
Screw Plug Immersion Heaters are used for heating liquids and gases in a variety of processes. These heaters are ideal for process water heating and freeze protection. All types of oils and heat transfer solutions can also be heated using these compact, easily controlled units. The direct immersion method is energy efficient and well suited for many applications.

- · Hot Water Storage Tanks
- · Warming Equipment
- · Preheating all Grades of Oil
- Food Processing Equipment
- · Cleaning and Rinsing Tanks
- · Heat Transfer Systems
- · Process Air Equipment
- · Boiler Equipment
- · Freeze Protection of Any Fluid



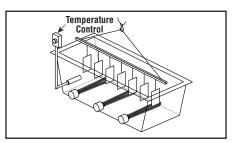


**MT** — screwed into tank wall parallel to bottom for use as a hot water rinse.



**MTO** — used to preheat oil to ensure efficient lubrication for heavy motor.





**MTO** — applied to conveyorized degreasing operation of many parts at once.

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### Selection Guidelines

#### Selecting a Screw Plug Heater

The selection of the proper screw plug immersion heater requires critical engineering judgement. After determining the heat requirement (see the Technical section of this catalog), the proper selection of the screw plug material, heating element sheath material and correct watt density is critical for long life of the heater. The following table may be used as a guide to this selection, along with the Technical Information at the back of this catalog. Ultimate choice is determined by the knowledge of the process and engineering acumen of the plant engineer.

Caution -- Consideration needs to be given to the length of the cold pin of the elements. In tank heater applications the cold pin should extend into the bulk fluid. When used in pipe or vessel applications, the cold pin should extend into the full flow of fluid.

#### Application Factors

Heater application is influenced by the following parameters.

- 1 The heated media, viscosity, specific heat, density and corrosive properties.
- (2) Contaminants or pH present in the media.
- (3) The corrosion resistant properties of heater sheath material.
- 4 Watt density of the heating element—the heat output per square inch.
- (5) Screw plug material.

#### Typical Applications

See screw plug immersion heater selection quide below for your application.

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#### Screw Plug Immersion Heaters — Selection Guidelines

	1	2	3	4	5	
Application	Solution or Heater Type	Alkaline or Acid Content (Est. % by Volume)	Sheath Material	Watt Density (W/In²)	Screw Plug Material	
Water & Very Mild Solutions	Clean Water	pH6 to pH8 Neutral	Copper 45		Brass	
	Process Water or Very Weak Solutions	pH5 to pH9 2-3%	Stainless Steel <sup>1</sup>	45	Stainless Steel	
	Weak Solutions	5-6%	INCOLOY®	45	Stainless Steel	
	Demineralized, Deionized water	_	INCOLOY® Stainless Steel <sup>1</sup>	45	Stainless Steel Stainless Steel	
Corrosive & High Viscous Solutions	Mild Corrosive Solution	5-15%	INCOLOY® or Stainless Steel <sup>1</sup>	23	Stainless Steel	
	Severe Corrosive Solution	16% or more	INCOLOY®, Stainless Steel or Titanium	15	Stainless Steel	
Oil Heating	Low Viscosity Oil Medium Viscosity Oil High Viscosity Oil	_ _ _	Steel Steel Steel	23 15 6	Steel Steel Steel	
Specialty Heaters	Small Tanks Process Water Demineralized Water Low Viscosity Oil Pipe Insert Commercial Equipment	pH5 to pH9 — — — Clean Water	Stainless Steel¹ Stainless Steel¹ Stainless Steel INCOLOY® Copper	45 23 12 60	Brass Stainless Steel Steel Steel Brass	

Note — Liquid level controls are suggested for all immersion heating applications. See Controls section in this catalog.

More Information is Available Online on Tank Heating.

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# Screw Plug Immersion Heaters Application Element Guidelines

Application	Screw Plug Size (In.)	Sheath Material	Screw Plug Material	Heater Model	Integral Thermostat	Page
Clean Water	1 1 1-1/4 1-1/4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2-1/2 2-1/2	Copper Copper Copper Copper Copper Copper Copper Copper INCOLOY® Copper Copper	Brass	ARTM MT ARMT-1 MT-1 EMT-3 ARMT-2 MT-2 CH-SD ARMT-3	Yes No No No Yes No Yes No	B-7 B-8 B-9 B-10 B-15 B-11 B-13 B-16 B-17 B-21
Process Water	1 1 1-1/4 1-1/4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2-1/2 2-1/2	SS SS SS SS SS SS SS SS SS SS	98 98 98 98 98 98 98 98	ARTMS MTS ARMTS-1 MTS-1 ARMTS-2 MTS-2 AREMTS-3 EMTS-3 ARMTS-3 MTS-3	Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes	B-23 B-24 B-25 B-26 B-27 B-29 B-31 B-32 B-34 B-36
Solution Water	2 2 2 2 2-1/2 2-1/2	INCOLOY® INCOLOY® INCOLOY® INCOLOY® INCOLOY® INCOLOY®	SS SS SS SS SS	ARMTI-2 MTI-2 AREMTI-3 EMTI-3 ARMTI-3 MTI-3	Yes No Yes No Yes No	B-38 B-40 B-41 B-42 B-43 B-45
Corrosive Solutions	2 2 2 2	SS SS INCOLOY® INCOLOY®	SS SS SS SS	AREMTS-3 EMTS-3 AREMTI-3 EMTI-3	Yes No Yes No	B-46 B-47 B-48 B-49
Severely Corrosive Solutions	2 2 2 2	SS SS INCOLOY® INCOLOY®	SS SS SS SS	AREMTS-3 EMTS-3 AREMTI-3 EMTI-3	Yes No Yes No	B-50 B-51 B-52 B-53
Light Weight Oil	1 1 1 1-1/4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2-1/2	Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel	Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel	ARMTO MTO ARTMO-1 MTO-1 ARMTO-2 MTO-2 AREMTO-3 EMTO-3 ARMTO-3 MTO-3	Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No	B-54 B-55 B-56 B-57 B-58 B-60 B-61 B-62 B-63 B-65
Medium Weight Oil	2 2 2 2 2 2-1/2 2-1/2	Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel	Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel	ARMTO-2 MTO-2 AREMTO-3 EMTO-3 ARMTO-3	Yes No Yes No Yes No	B-67 B-68 B-69 B-70 B-71 B-72
Heavy Weight Oil	2 2 2 2 2-1/2 2-1/2	Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel	Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel Steel	ARMTO-2 MTO-2 AREMTO-3 EMTO-3 ARMTO-3 MTO-3	Yes No Yes No Yes No	B-73 B-74 B-73 B-74 B-75 B-75
Specialty Heaters — Water, Oil & Corrosive Fluids	1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2 3/4 3/4 1 1 1 1 1-1/4 2 2 2-1/2	INCOLOY® SS INCOLOY® SS SS INCOLOY® SS Copper Copper SS Steel Copper INCOLOY® INCOLOY® INCOLOY®	Steel Steel Brass Brass SS Brass Brass Steel SS Steel Brass Brass Steel Brass Brass Steel Various	RI RIO RIN RINO RIS RIN RINO TMW-1 TMW-1 TMO-1 TMO-1 TMW-2 DWH-MR MTO-LT VTS IL-3S	No N	B-79 B-79 B-80 B-80 B-79 B-80 B-76 B-76 B-78 B-77 B-81 B-82 B-83 B-83

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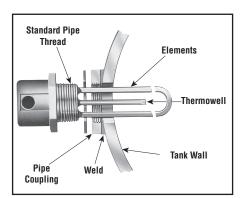
# **Technical & Application Data**

#### Description

Chromalox heavy duty tubular elements are welded or brazed to a screw plug. Uniform heat distribution and repressed element bends, a Chromalox standard feature, lead to long element life. For all heaters, a thermowell (hollow tube sealed at one end) is welded or brazed to the screw plug allowing thermostat sensing element replacement without draining the tank. A variety of methods of terminating power leads is available for special application heaters.

General purpose screw plug heaters are equipped with a steel terminal enclosure painted with red polyester powder coat. These same heaters are also available with a combination moisture tight/explosion resistant terminal enclosure that may be used in applications where either or both conditions exist.

Screw plug type heaters are screwed directly through a threaded opening in the tank wall. Heavy tank walls may be drilled and tapped if thickness is sufficient to engage 3/4 of the threads. Lighter tank walls should be equipped with a suitable pipe half-coupling welded or brazed to the tank wall.



#### Construction Features — Stock & Assembly Stock Units

#### Element

- Materials copper, steel, INCOLOY®, 304 stainless steel.
- Number Elements in Screw Plug 1, 2 or 3 depending on screw plug size.
- Element Diameter 0.315, 0.375, 0.430 and 0.475".
- Watt Density 6.5, 15, 23, 45 and 75 W/ In<sup>2</sup>.

#### **Screw Plug**

- Materials carbon steel, brass, 304 stainless steel.
- Size 1/2, 3/4, 1, 1-1/4, 2, 2-1/2" NPT nominal
- **Tolerances** Tolerance on immersion length (B) dimension is ± 1% (± 3/8" min.).

#### Terminal Enclosures

**Type E1** General purpose, sheet metal, painted with red polyester powder coat. The terminal enclosure rotates 360° to accommodate an electrical conduit run.

Type E4 Moisture resistant housing.

**Type E2** Combination moisture resistant/explosion resistant.

**Type E2** explosion resistant enclosures are for use in hazardous location conditions:

- Class I Groups B, C & D, Division 1 & 2\*
- Class II, Groups E, F & G, Division 1 & 2
- . Class III. Division 1 & 2

Safe operation of heaters equipped with explosion resistant enclosures depends on electrical wiring meeting the National Electrical Code for hazardous locations and on limiting the maximum operating temperatures (including temperatures on outside of vessel, piping, flanges, screw plugs, enclosures and other heat conducting parts) as dictated by flammable liquids, vapors or gases present. Approved pressure and/or temperature limiting controls must be used to assure safe operation in the event of a system malfunction.

The 'C' and 'US" indicators adjacent to the CSA mark signify that the product has been evaluated to the applicable CSA and ANSI/UL standards, for use in Canada and the U.S., respectively. This 'US' indicator includes products eligible to bear the 'NRTL' indicator. NRTL, i.e. National Recognized Testing Laboratory, is a designation granted by the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to laboratories which have been recognized to perform certification to U.S. standards.

#### Temperature Controls

Many screw plug type heaters are available with built-in thermostatic controls. In some installations where there is more than one heater in a tank, one heater with a built-in control can be used to control the other heaters by wiring the thermostat into the holding coil circuit of a magnetic contactor. If the thermostat is separate from the heater, the thermostat sensing element should be located in the liquid approximately 4 to 6 inches above the heater.

1 and 1-1/4" Screw Plugs — Type ARTM, ARTMO and ARTMS. The ARTM, ARTMO or ARTMS automatic thermostat has a temperature range of 60°F - 187°F (T4). Also available with alternate temperature 60°F -240°F (T5) or 0°F - 127°F (T8). The tamper resistant temperature adjustment screw and scale are inside requiring the removal of the cover to change temperature setting.

2 and 2-1/2" Screw Plugs — Type ARMT, ARMTI, AREMTI, ARMTS, AREMTS, AREMTO and ARMTO. The integral thermostat is available with temperature ranges at 60°F - 250°F (T2) or 0°F - 100°F (T1) for ARMT, ARMTI, AREMTI, AREMTS and ARMTS heaters. ARMTO and AREMTO heaters are available with three different temperature ranges: 200°F - 550°F (T3), 60°F - 250°F (T2) and 0°F - 100°F (T1). This control is wired in as a line thermostat for loads up to 3 kW on 120 volts and up to 6 kW on 240 volts. For higher wattage ratings, three phase operation and above 240 volts, this control is used for pilot duty only and should be wired to operate the holding coil of a magnetic contactor.

To set the control temperature of heaters equipped with the standard general purpose enclosure (Type E1), adjust the knob on the outside of the terminal enclosure.

For those heaters equipped with a Type E2 and E4 enclosure, remove the terminal enclosure lid to expose the temperature adjusting knob. For safety reasons, power to heater and pilot duty power must be turned off before removing enclosure lid.

**Note** — The integral thermostat functions as a temperature control only. This is not a fail safe device, so an approved pressure and/or temperature limit control should be used with these heaters to assure safe operation.

**CAUTION** — Explosion Resistant Type E2 construction refers to heater design features which provide explosion resistant containment of electrical wiring according to National Electrical Code. Application or use of heaters which result in abnormal or excessive temperature can create hazardous conditions which can lead to a fire or explosive condition.

#### Corrosion Policy

Chromalox cannot warrant any electric immersion heater against failure by sheath corrosion if such failure is the result of operating conditions beyond the control of the heater manufacturer. It is the responsibility of the purchaser to make the ultimate choice of sheath material based on their knowledge of the chemical composition of the corrosive solution, character of materials entering the solution, and controls which he maintains on the process.



<sup>\*</sup> For EMT and MT Class I Group B, Div. 1 & 2, consult factory.

# **Screw Plug Immersion Heaters**

# **Optional Features**

#### Moisture Resistant Terminal Enclosure Option

- · Cast Aluminum Construction
- Red Polyester Powder Coat
- · O-Ring Sealed Housing Cover
- Threaded 3/4" NPT Conduit Fitting

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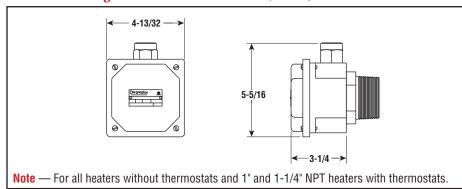
A moisture resistant only (not explosion resistant) terminal enclosure is available on all screw plug immersion heaters.

#### To Order

Add E4 to end of model number of the general purpose enclosure heater for moisture resistant construction only. Specify volts, phase and kilowatts. **Do not order by PCN.** 



#### Small Screw Plug Enclosure — Dimensions (Inches)





#### Large Screw Plug Enclosure — Dimensions (Inches)

