

K12 Series

High Performance Key Switches

Features/Benefits

- **Excellent tactile feel**
- **Wide choice of LED colors, travel and actuator forces**
- **High reliability / long life**
- **Sealed version available**
- **Designed for low-level switching**
- **Double stroke version available**
- **Detector version available**

Typical Applications

- **Automotive**
- **Off-road transportation**
- **Industrial electronics**
- **Computers & network equipment**
- **Joysticks**



Construction

FUNCTION: momentary
DISTANCE BETWEEN BUTTON CENTERS:
min. 11 (0.433) K12C = 13 (0.512)
TERMINALS: PC pins, tinned
MOUNTING: Locating pins; K12G and K12P additionally
with snap-in housing

Mechanical

TOTAL TRAVEL: 1 mm, 1.5 mm, 2 mm
SWITCHING TRAVEL: 0.6 mm*
OPERATING FORCE: 1.5 N OD without snap-point as detector
switch, 2.5 N, 3.5 N, 5 N, 3.5/7 N, 6/12 N. Additional
operating force 7N, 9N and 20N, available on request.
PROTECTION CLASS: K12C IP 67 (dust tight, protected against
the effects of immersion in water; other versions IP 40)

* Additional switching travel (with pre-travel) available by request.

Packaging

Bulk in boxes of 250 pieces (version C or GO) or
300 pieces (version A, AL, P or PL)

Electrical

SWITCHING POWER MIN./MAX.: 0.02mW/3 W
SWITCHING VOLTAGE MIN./MAX.: 2 V DC / 30 V DC
SWITCHING CURRENT MIN./MAX.: 10 mA /100 mA
DIELECTRIC STRENGTH (50 Hz, 1 min): ≥ 500 V
OPERATING LIFE
For all K12 versions up to 6N with max. switching power: $\geq 10^6$
operations
For all K12/K12C versions from 7N to 20N with max. switching power:
please consult factory
For K12G & K12GO with max. switching power: $\geq 5 \times 10^4$ operations
CONTACT RESISTANCE: Initial ≤ 50 m Ω
INSULATION RESISTANCE: $\geq 10^{10}$ Ω
BOUNCE TIME: ≤ 1 ms; Operating speed 100 mm/s (3.94/s)

Environmental

OPERATING TEMPERATURE: -40°C to 85°C
STORAGE TEMPERATURE: -40°C to 95°C

Process

SOLDERABILITY: Wave soldering, compatible with lead free soldering
profile; Hand soldering, 350°C

How To Order

Our easy build-a-switch concept allows you to mix and match options to create the switch you need. To order, select
desired option from each category and place it in the appropriate box.

Note: Some of the configurations may not be available or could require some development.

Series	LED Color	Standard LED Code	Cap Color	Travel*	Operating Force***	Contact Arrangement
K12A No snap-in pegs	NONE No LED	NONE No LED	NONE version with LED, version C	1 1 mm (0.039)	1.5N OD 1.5 N without snap-point	NONE SPST NO (STD)
K12AL No snap-in pegs with central LED	GN Green	LV306 Green	BK Black cap – No LED	1.5 1.5 mm (0.059)	2.5N 2.5 N	1R SPST NC (Special request)
K12P With snap-in pegs	YE Yellow	LV327 Yellow	YE Yellow cap - No LED	2 2 mm (0.079)	3.5N 3.5 N	
K12PL With central LED	OG Orange	LV315 Orange	RD Red cap – No LED		5N 5 N	
K12C Sealed contact with rubber cap (IP 67)	RD Red	LV352 Red	GY Gray cap – No LED		3.5/7N 3.5/7 N**	
K12GO Two-step switch	WH White	LV302 White			6/12N 6/12 N**	
	BU Blue	LV328 Blue				

* K12C – 1mm MAX

K12 with LED – 1.5 mm MAX

** K12G & K12GO version only

*** Additional operating force: 7N, 9N available on request

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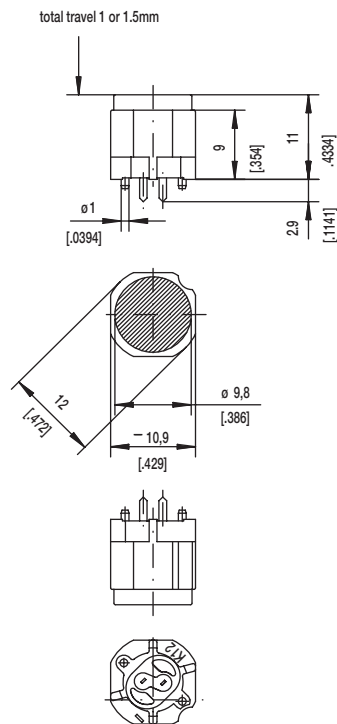
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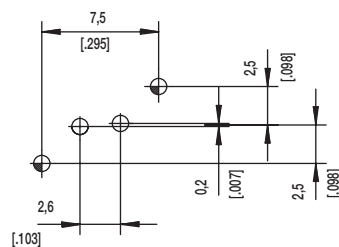
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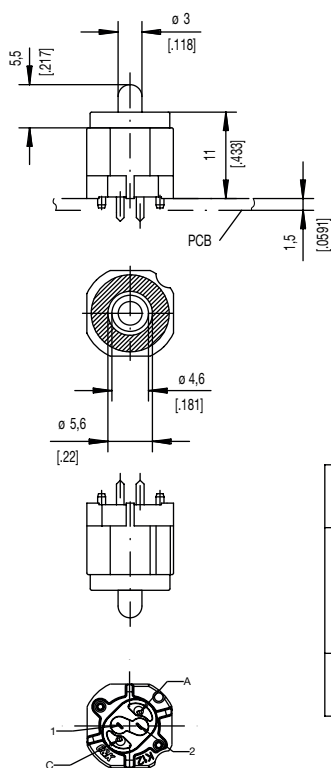
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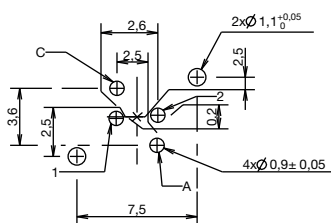
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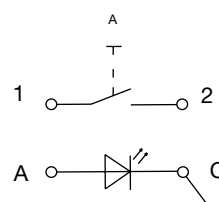
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	1,1 ^{+0,05}	2x	2x	center hole		
	0,9 ±0,05		2x	LED	ø0,5 (.020)	Sn
		2x	2x	switch	0,7x0,2 (.028x.081)	Sn
Hole	ø	Without	with LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface



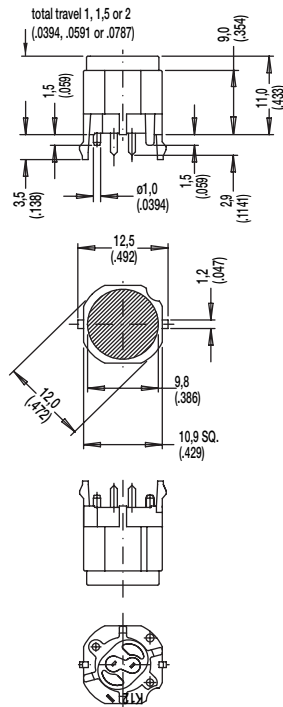
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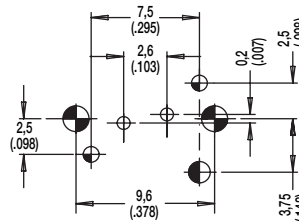
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K12P with snap in



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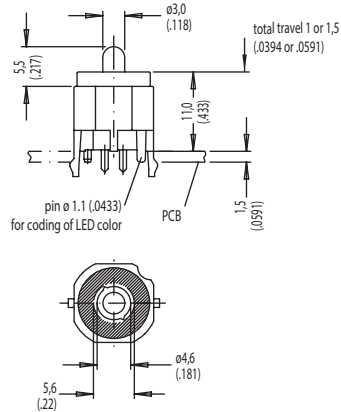


center of actuation area (notice LED)

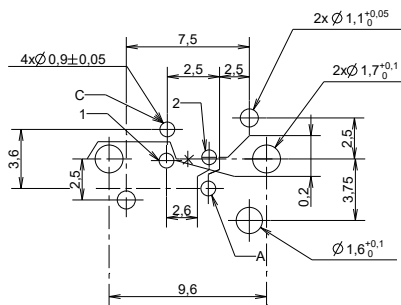


Hole	Ø	Without LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface
	1,7 (.069)	2x	snap-in		
	1,6 (.062)	1x	coding hole (L,M,N)		
	1,1 (.043)	2x	center hole		Sn
	0,9 (.035)	2x	switch	0.7 x 0.2 (.028 x .081)	Sn

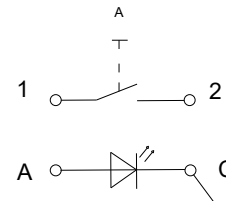
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ELECTRICAL GRAPH



Hole	Ø	Without LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface
	1,7 (.069)	2x	snap-in		
	1,6 (.062)	1x	coding hole (L,M,N)		
	1,1 (.043)	2x	center hole		Sn
	0,9 (.035)	2x	LED	m0.5 (.020)	Sn
		2x	switch	0.7 x 0.2 (.028 x .081)	

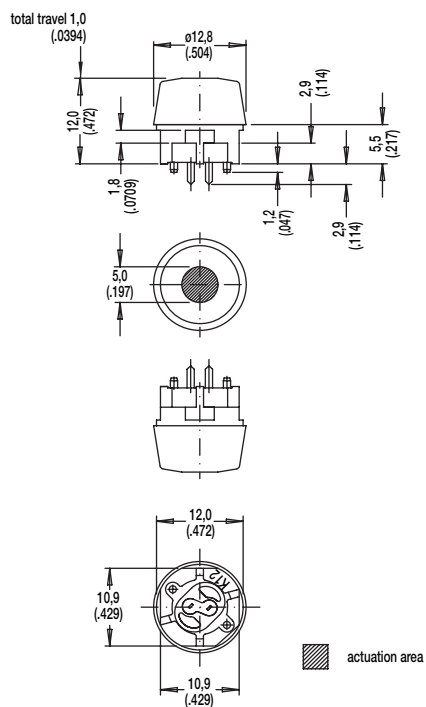


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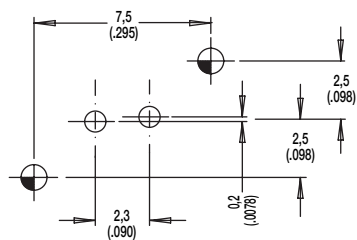
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K12C SEALED CONTACT WITH RUBBER CAP (IP 67)



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Hole	Ø	Without LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface
 	1,1 (.043)	2x	center hole		
	0,9 (.035)	2x	switch	0.7 x 0.2(.0275 x .0787)	Sn

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First Angle Projection

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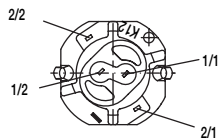
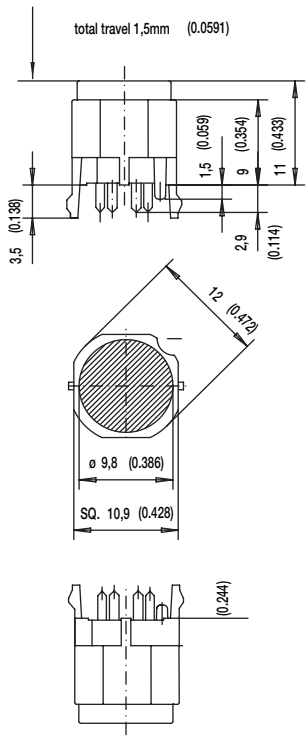
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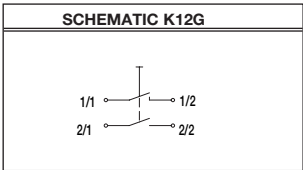
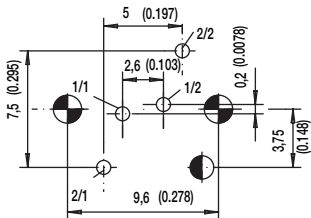
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K12GO



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Hole	Ø	Without LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface
	1,7 (.069)	2x	snap-in		
	1,6 (.062)	1x	code		
	0,9 (.035)		LED	m0.5 (.020)	Sn
		2x	switch 2	0.7 x 0.3 (.028 x .012)	Sn
		2x	switch 1	0.7 x 0.2 (.028 x .081)	Sn



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CAP COLOR

OPTION CODE	COLOR
NONE	Version with LED
BK	Black - no LED
YE	Yellow - no LED
RD	Red - no LED
GY	Gray - no LED

LED COLOR

OPTION CODE	COLOR
NONE	Models without LED
GN	Green
YE	Yellow
OG	Orange
RD	Red
WH	White
BU	Blue

STANDARD LED CODE	COLOR
NONE	Models without LED
LV306	Green
LV327	Yellow
LV315	Orange
LV352	Red
LV302	White
LV328	Blue

TRAVEL

1 1 mm
1.5 1.5 mm
2 2 mm



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OPERATING FORCE

OPTION CODE	OPERATING FORCE
1.5N OD	1.5 N, 150g without snap-point
2.5N	2.5 N, 250g
3.5N	3.5 N, 350g
5N	5 N, 500g
3.5/7N	3.5/7 N, 350/700g
6/12N	6/12 N, 600-1200g

CONTACT ARRANGEMENT OPTION

1R SPST NC (SPECIAL REQUEST FOR NORMALLY CLOSED OPTION)



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