#### Description



The microswitches of MK series have been designed to add new features to traditional and tested microswitches by Pizzato Elettrica.

The absolute new feature of this series is the enhanced and state-of-the-art trigger mechanism, whose design features are of higher quality in comparison to other solutions available on the market.

Thanks to the double and redundant execution, the electrical contact of the microswitch has been designed with a technology providing increased reliability, and is able to carry out switching operations with positive opening. Inside the housing of the microswitch it is possible to insert gaskets to protect the mechanism against fine dusts or liquids up to the protection degree IP65. Conductor fixing terminals are more practical, allowing for cables of different diameters to be fixed or the choice of different bends for the Faston contacts.

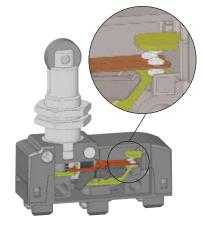
### Contact reliability

In the following table a typical contact structure for a microswitch normally used in the industry (type A) is shown compared with the solution implemented by Pizzato Elettrica in the MK series microswitches: mobile contact with single interruption and double contacts (type B). As you can see from the table below, in the latter contact structure (type B) the contact resistance (R) is only half in comparison to the mobile contact with single interruption (type A), and presents a very low failure probability (fe) as well.

With a failure probability of x for a single switching operation, the failure probability for type A is fe=x, for type B fe = $\approx$ x<sup>2</sup>. This means that if the probability of a switching failure is x in a given situation, e.g., 1x10<sup>-4</sup>, (1 switching failure in 10,000), the result is as follows:

- for type A one failed commutation every 10,000.
- for type B one failed commutation every 100,000,000.

Туре	Diagram	Description	Contact resistance R	Probability of errors fe
A Common microswitch	NOCOMMON	mobile contact with single interruption	R=Rc	fe=x
B Pizzato's microswitch MK series	NO COMMON NC	mobile contact with single interruption and double contacts	R=Rc/2	fe ≅ x²

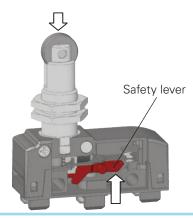


### Extended temperature range



The MK series includes versions with extended temperature range available upon request. Compared to the standard MK microswitches with temperature ranges from -25 C° to +85 C°, these special versions are suitable for environments with temperature ranges from -40 C° to +85 °C. They can therefore be installed inside cold stores, sterilizers or other equipment with very low ambient temperature. The special materials used to produce these versions retain their characteristics even under these conditions, thereby expanding the installation possibilities.

### Microswitches for safety applications



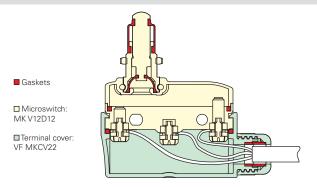
All microswitches showing the symbol  $\bigodot$  besides the product code are with positive opening and therefore suitable for safety applications. These microswitches are provided with a rigid connection between the plunger and the NC contacts, which are forcibly actuated by a internal sturdy safety lever.

The positive opening has been designed in compliance with the standard EN 60947-5-1, Annex K. Therefore, these microswitches are suitable for safety applications.



### **Protection degree IP65**

By installing microswitches MK ••2••• with terminal covers VF MKC•22 or terminal covers VF MKC•23, a microswitch fully protected against water and dust is obtained. Thanks to their special oil resistant rubber gaskets the protection degree IP65 is provided. For applications in very dirty environments there are also versions with integrated double gasket for the plunger (internal + external). e.g. MK ••2•12 or MK ••2•13.



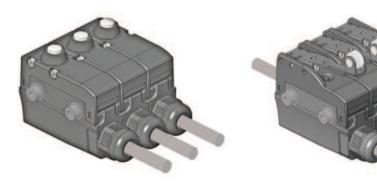
### Clamping screw plates for cables of different diameters (MK V•)



The clamping screw plates are provided with a particular "roofing tile" structure and are loosely coupled to the clamping screw. The design causes connection wires of different diameter to be pulled towards the screw when tightening the screw (see figure), preventing the wires from escaping towards the outside.

### Terminal covers with side-by-side strain relief cable gland

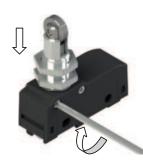
The terminal covers are provided with strain relief cable gland and protection degree up to IP65. These are snapon terminal covers and have reduced dimensions contained in the profile of the microswitch so that these can be installed on microswitches fixed side by side as well.



### **Actuators with variable orientation**

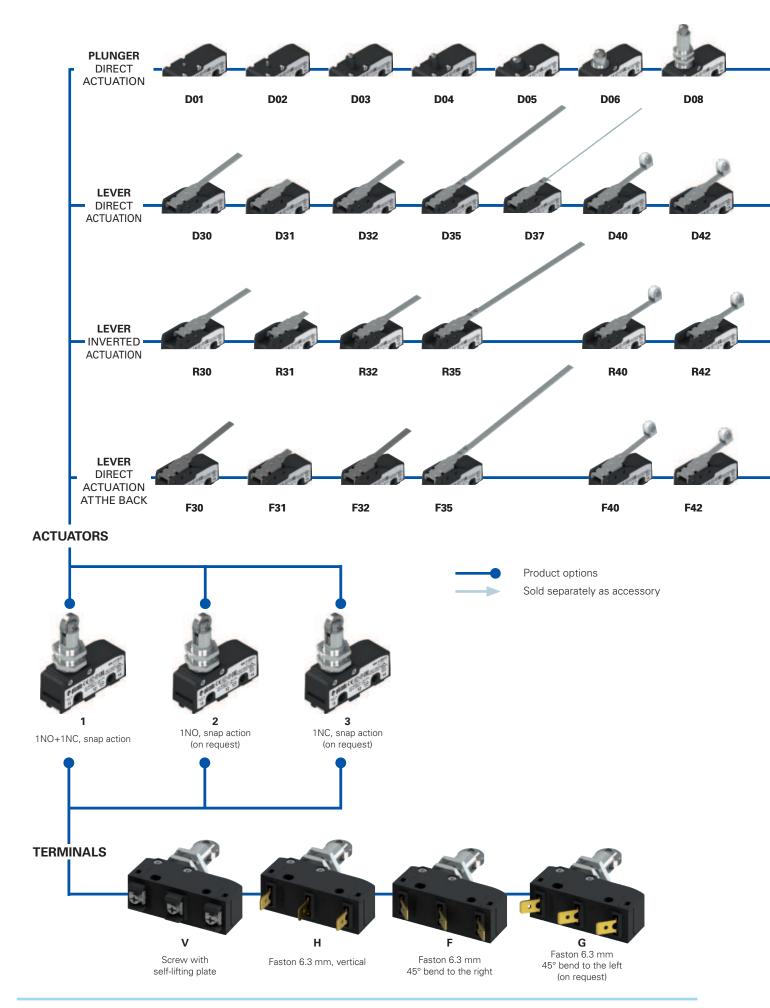


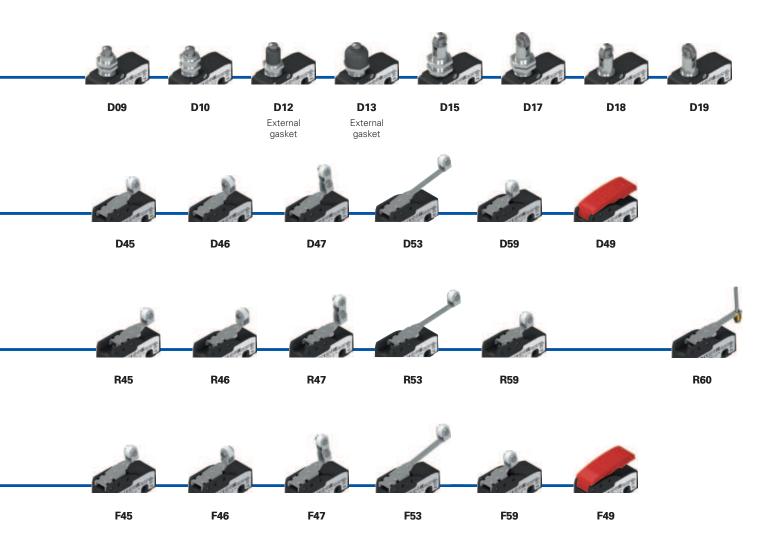




Thanks to the patented lateral fixing system, the roller of the microswitches MK •••15 and MK ••17 can be now rotated in 90° steps.

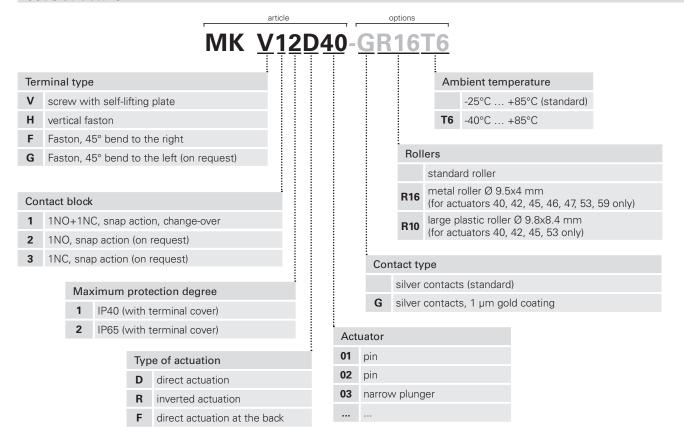
The lateral fixing allows to disconnect the actuator from the switch body even when the actuator is already fixed to the support bracket. The flexibility of the product also allows for products to be unified in the warehouse for applications that require castors both in the longitudinal or transverse direction.

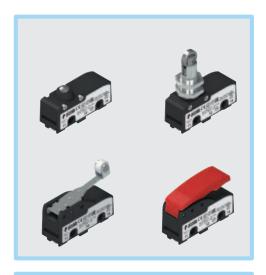




# Code structure

**Attention!** The feasibility of a code number does not mean the effective availability of a product. Please contact our sales office.





#### Main features

- Technopolymer housing
- High reliability contacts
- Protection degree up to IP65
- 4 terminal types available
- 52 actuators available
- Versions with positive opening
- Versions with gold-plated silver contacts
- Terminal covers with strain relief cable gland

#### Quality marks:



IMQ approval: CA02.05772 UL approval: E131787

CCC approval: 2024010305654837 EAC approval: RU Д-IT.PA07.B.37848/24

#### **Technical data**

#### Housing

Housing made of glass fibre reinforced technopolymer, self-extinguishing and shock-proof. Protection degree acc. to EN 60529: IP00 without terminal cover

IP20 (with terminal covers VF C01, VF C03)
IP40 (with terminal covers VF MKC•1•, VF C02)

IP65 (with terminal covers VF MKC•22 + MK V•2••• or VF MKC•23 + MK H•2•••)

#### General data

Ambient temperature:
-25°C ... +85°C (standard)
-40°C ... +85°C (T6 option)

Max. actuation frequency:
Mechanical endurance:
Safety parameter B<sub>nn</sub>:
25°C ... +85°C (standard)
-40°C ... +85°C (T6 option)
-40°C ... +80°C ... +80°C (T6 option)
-40°C ... +80°C .

Tightening torques for installation: see page 229

### Conductor cross section (flexible copper strands)

MK series: min.  $1 \times 0.34 \text{ mm}^2$   $(1 \times \text{AWG } 22)$ 

max. 2 x 1.5 mm<sup>2</sup> (2 x AWG 16)

#### Wire stripping length (x):

MK V••••• articles (screw connection): 7 mm

#### In compliance with standards:

IEC 60947-5-1, EN 60947-5-1, IEC 60529, EN 60529, EN 60947-1, IEC 60947-1, EN IEC 63000.

#### Approvals:

UL 508, CSA C22.2 No. 14, EN 60947-1, EN 60947-5-1.

### Compliance with the requirements of:

Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU, EMC Directive 2014/30/EU, RoHS Directive 2011/65/EU.

### Positive contact opening in conformity with standards:

IEC 60947-5-1, EN 60947-5-1.

### Installation for safety applications:

Use only microswitches marked with the  $\oplus$  symbol beside the product code. Always connect the safety circuit to the **NC contacts** (normally closed contacts) as required by **EN ISO 14119**, paragraph 5.4 for specific interlock applications and **EN ISO 13849-2 tables D3 (well-tried components) and D.8 (fault exclusions)** for safety applications in general. Actuate the switch at least up to the positive opening travel (CAP) reported next to the article code. Actuate the switch at least with the positive opening force (FAP) reported next to the article code.

# ⚠ If not expressly indicated in this chapter, for correct installation and utilization of all articles see chapter Utilization requirements from page 217 to page 232.

Electrical data		Utilization cate	gory	
Thermal current (I <sub>th</sub> ): Rated insulation voltage (U <sub>i</sub> ): Rated impulse withstand voltage (U <sub>imp</sub> ): Conditional short circuit current: Protection against short circuits: Pollution degree: Dielectric strength	16 A 250 Vac 300 Vdc 4 kV 1000 A acc. to EN 60947-5-1 type gG fuse 16 A 250 V 3 2000 Vac/min.	Alternating curre Ue (V) 120 Ie (A) 3 Direct current: D Ue (V) 24 Ie (A) 4	250 5	250 0.3

## Features approved by IMQ

Rated insulation voltage  $(U_i)$ : 250 Vac Conventional free air thermal current  $(I_m)$ : 16 A

Protection against short circuits: type gG fuse 16 A 250 V

Rated impulse withstand voltage ( $U_{imp}$ ): 4 kV Conditional short circuit current: 1000 A Protection degree of the housing: IP00

Terminals: screw terminals / faston terminals

Pollution degree: 3
Utilization category: AC15

Operating voltage (Ue): 250 Vac (50 Hz)

Operating current (le): 5 A

Forms of the contact element: A, B, C.

Positive opening of contacts on contact blocks: 1, 3.

In compliance with standards: EN 60947-1, EN 60947-5-1, fundamental

requirements of the Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU.

Please contact our technical department for the list of approved products.

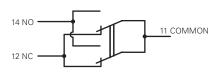
### Features approved by UL

Electrical Ratings: Q300 pilot duty (69 VA, 125-250 Vdc)

A300 pilot duty (720 VA, 120 ... 300 V ac)

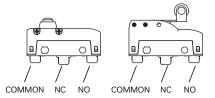
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### Circuit diagram



Mobile contact with single interruption and double contacts

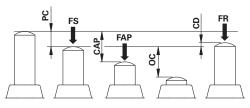
With direct actuation and direct actuation at the back (F, D)





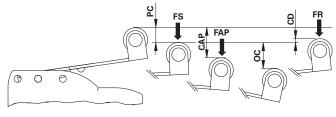


### **Actuation forces and travels**



PC pre-travelCAP positive opening travel

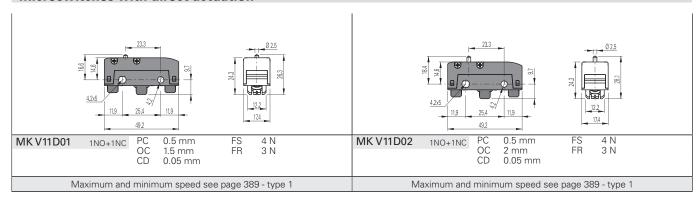
OC over-travel
CD differential travel

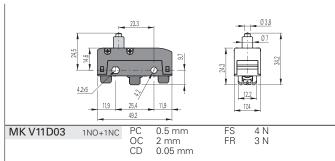


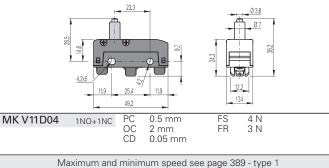
FS trigger force FR release force

FAP positive opening force

### Microswitches with direct actuation







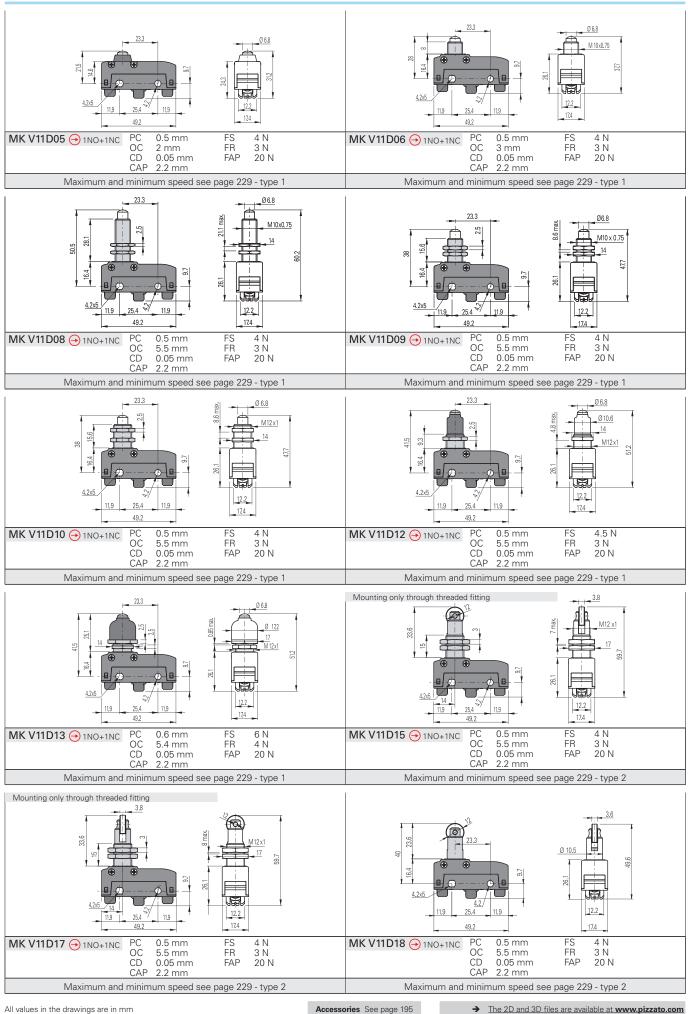
Maximum and minimum speed see page 389 - type 1

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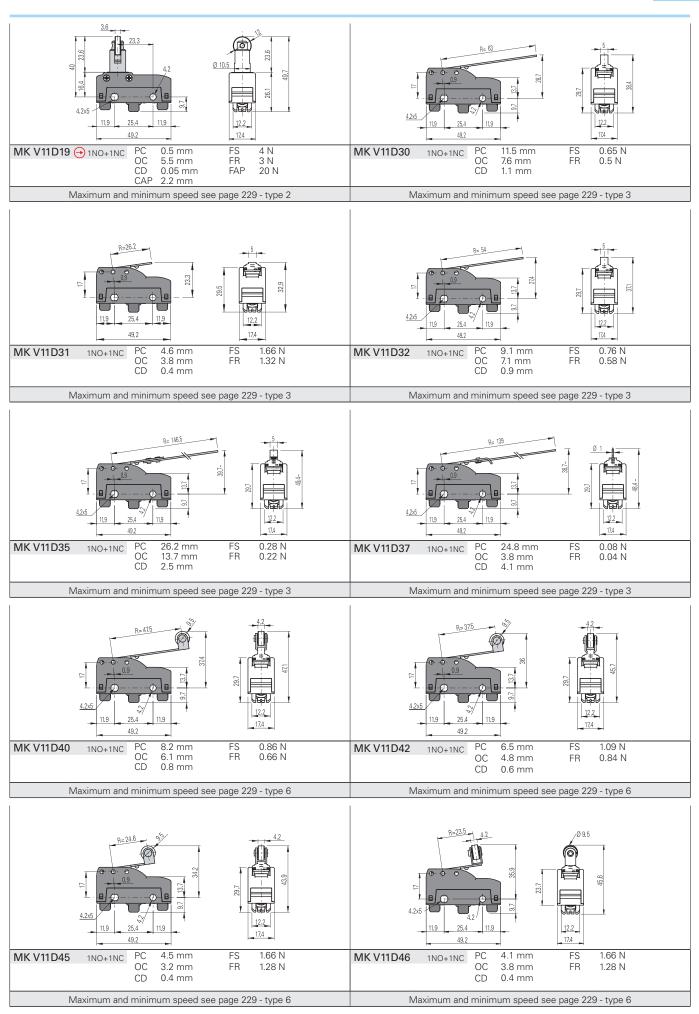


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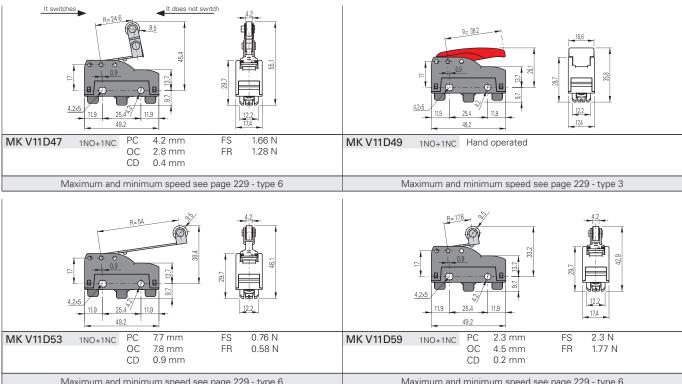


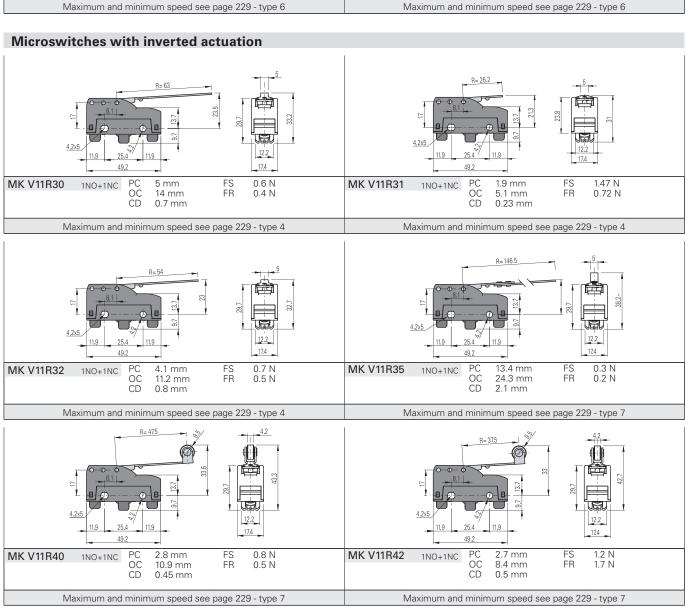
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# MK series microswitches





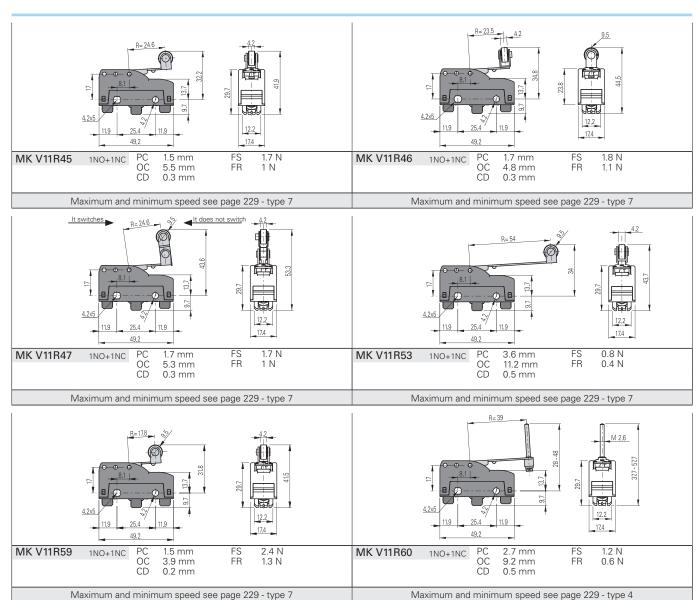
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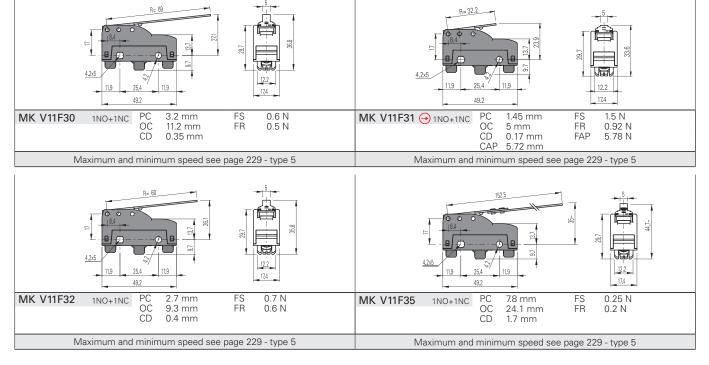
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### Microswitches with direct actuation at the back



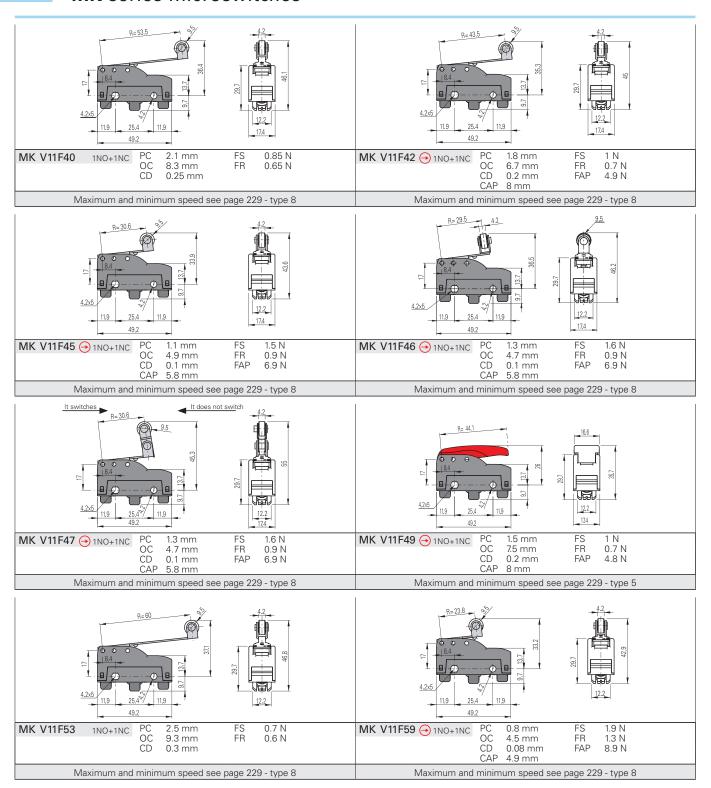
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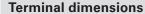
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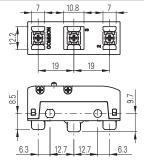


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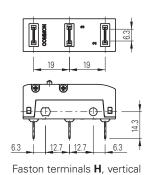


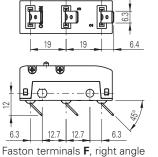


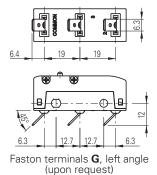
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Screw terminals V with plate







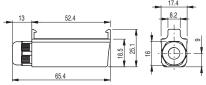
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**Note:** The vertical faston terminals H can be bent according to specific installation requirements. We recommend to bend the faston with an angle not higher than 45° and to carry out this operation no more than 5 times.

Packs of 10 pcs.

### **Protective terminal covers**

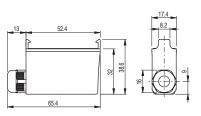




Protective terminal cover for screw terminals with strain relief cable gland and snap-in mounting. It allows installation of multiple switches

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Article	Description	Protection degree
VF MKCV11	Protective terminal cover without gasket for multipolar cables Ø 5 7.5 mm	IP40
VF MKCV12	Protective terminal cover without gasket for multipolar cables Ø $4\dots7.5~\mathrm{mm}$	IP40
VF MKCV13	Protective terminal cover without gasket for multipolar cables Ø 2 $\dots$ 5.5 mm	IP40
VF MKCV22	Protective terminal cover with gasket for multipolar cables Ø 4 $\dots$ 7.5 mm	IP65
VF MKCV23	Protective terminal cover with gasket for multipolar cables Ø 2 5.5 mm	IP65

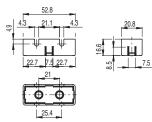




Protective terminal cover for vertical faston terminals with strain relief cable gland and snap-in mounting. It allows installation of multiple switches side-by-side.

Article	Description	Protection degree
VF MKCH11	Protective terminal cover without gasket for multipolar cables $\varnothing$ 5 7.5 mm	IP40
VF MKCH12	Protective terminal cover without gasket for multipolar cables Ø 4 7.5 mm	IP40
VF MKCH13	Protective terminal cover without gasket for multipolar cables Ø 2 5.5 mm	IP40
VF MKCH22	Protective terminal cover with gasket for multipolar cables Ø 4 7.5 mm	IP65
VF MKCH23	Protective terminal cover with gasket for multipolar cables Ø 2 5.5 mm	IP65



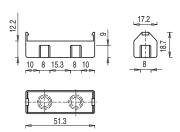


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Article	Description	Protection degree	Article	Description	Protection degree
VF C01	Protective terminal cover for screw terminals	IP20	VF C02	Protective terminal cover for screw terminals with PG9 cable gland for multipolar cables $\emptyset$ 5 7 mm	





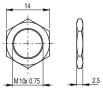
Article	Description	Protection degree
VF C03	Protective terminal cover for screw terminals, snap-in mounting. It allows installation of multiple switches side-by-side	IP20

**Accessories** Packs of 10 pcs.



Article

VF AC83



M10x 0.75
Description
Hex threaded nut for microswitches with actuators



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Article	Description
VF AC72	Hex threaded nut for microswitches with actuators D10, D12, D13







Article	Description	Article	Description
AC72	Hex threaded nut for microswitches with actuators D10, D12, D13	AC 35	Hex threaded nut, notched, for microswitches with actuators D15, D17

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