New Product

CN-0383

KP04 Series

Illuminated Surface Mount Pushbuttons

Reflow Soldering Capability



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General Specifications

Electrical Capacity (Resistive Load)

Low Level: 100mA maximum @ 12V DC

Other Ratings

Contact Resistance:	200 milliohms maximum		
Insulation Resistance:	100 megohms minimum @ 250V DC		
Dielectric Strength:	500V AC minimum between contacts for 1 minute minimum		
-	500V AC minimum between contacts & case for 1 minute minimum		
Mechanical Life:	3,000,000 operations minimum		
Electrical Life:	3,000,000 operations minimum		
Nominal Operating Force:	1.6N ± 0.6N		
Total Travel:	.138″ (3.5mm)		

Materials & Finishes

Upper Plunger:	Polyacetal	
Lower Plunger/Housing:	Glass fiber reinforced polyamide	
Movable Contact:	Stainless steel with gold plating	
Stationary Contacts:	Gold over copper alloy	
Terminals:	Copper alloy with tin plating	

Environmental Data

Operating Temperature Range:	–25°C through +50°C (–13°F through +122°F)
Humidity:	90 ~ 95% humidity for 240 hours @ 40°C (104°F)
Vibration:	10 ~ 55Hz with peak-to-peak amplitude of 1.5mm traversing the frequency range and returning
	in 1 minute; 3 right angled directions for 2 hours
Shock:	51G (500m/s ²) acceleration (tested in 6 right angled directions, with 5 shocks in each direction)

Installation

Cap Installation Force:	50.0N maximum downward force on actuator
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PCB Processing

Soldering:Reflow Soldering. Preheat temperature: 180° ~ 200°C @ 2 minutes maximum
Heating temperature: 230°C @ 60 seconds maximum;
Peak temperature: 250°C; Cycles: 2
Manual Soldering. 390°C @ 4 seconds maximum; Cycles: 2Cleaning:These devices are not process sealed. Hand clean locally using alcohol based solution.

Standards & Certifications

Flammability Standards:

UL 94 HB lower housing

The KPO4 Series pushbuttons have not been tested for UL recognition or CSA certification. These switches are designed for use in a low-voltage, low-current, logic-level circuit. When used as intended in a logic-level circuit, the results do not produce hazardous energy.

Applications

- Broadcasting, Audio, Video Equipment
 Automated Systems
 Commut
 - Communications Equipment

Distinctive Characteristics

One of the most preferred series of illuminated pushbuttons in the industry now features surface mount technology.

Surface mount technology facilitates diminished board and material handling expenses, in addition to minimized routing of traces and fewer drilled holes.

RGBP LED dispenses vibrant full color spectrum in unlimited color combinations. The RGBW with white option aids in reducing variations of the color tones for white illumination, administering stable and consistent color.

Distinct, total travel of .138" (3.5mm).

Switch actuation is synchronized with contact timing, delivering color without delay simultaneous to actuating the device. Switching ON signals safe, reliable and intuitive operation.

Choice of nontactile or tactile/audible actuation.

Compact design with height of .906" (23.0mm) from PC board to top of cap (same height as programmable SmartDisplay).

Flat, sculptured or home key square caps in three common sizes for design flexibility in diverse applications.

Twin contacts with gold plating assure high reliability and long life of 3,000,000 operations minimum.

Custom legends available.

Remarkably precise coplanarity: all considered surfaces lying between two parallel planes are a maximum distance apart of .0039" (0.1mm).











Compact Illuminated SMT Pushbuttons

Series KP04

TYPICAL SWITCH



DESCRIPTION FOR TYPICAL ORDERING EXAMPLE

KP0415ANG03RGBW-2SJB





ORDERING EXAMPLE



DESCRIPTION FOR TYPICAL ORDERING EXAMPLE

KP0415ASG03RGBP-3SJB







For best results and safe use of LEDs, the supply voltage should be more than the LED forward voltage. Also, an appropriately valued ballast resistor should be used. Without the ballast resistor, the LED will be damaged or destroyed. The resistor value can be calculated by using the formula shown here.



CAP TYPES & COLORS



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Lens & Diffuser Colors Available:

Clear/White

Materials & Finishes: Lens - Polycarbonate with glossy finish Diffuser - Polycarbonate with textured finish Upper Plunger - Polyacetal

Clear Lens

White Diffuser (Not Removable)

Optional Protective Guard AT4170 available for use with 15mm caps (codes 2F (AT3184), 2S (AT3179) or 2T (AT3187)



TYPICAL SWITCH DIMENSIONS

12.0mm Square Cap • Nontactile • RGBW LED



KP0415ANG03RGBW-1SJB

15.0mm Square Cap • Nontactile • RGBW LED

* Pad Layout



KP0415ANG03RGBW-2SJB

17.4mm Square Cap • Nontactile • RGBP LED

* Pad Layout



KP0415ANG03RGBP-3SJB

* Note: Gray area of Pad Layout may come in contact with metal parts on bottom of switch. Consider when designing PC board.



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PACKAGING



Partitioned Tray Packaging for Mounting Machine

96 pieces per tray

Switches must be ordered in 96-piece increments when tray packaging for Mounting Machines is selected.

Series KP04 is compatible with most automatic mounting machines. Confirm the type of mounting machine required in advance.



When transporting, handle only the outer perimeter of the tray. Any external force may damage the switches and tray, resulting in malfunction or mounting defects.



Partitioned Tray Packaging

Any quantity fewer than 96 pieces

When switches are ordered in less than 96-piece increments, they are packaged in a partitioned tray. No code is required.



SAFETY PRECAUTIONS & INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Soldering

Manual Soldering				
Manual Solder Profile	Profile A High Temperature			
Solder Iron Tip Temperature	390°C Maximum			
Time on Terminal	4 Seconds Maximum			
Cycles	2			

- Profiles are for lead-free components.
- Use an alcohol based solution for flux cleaning on the PC board surface after soldering. Series KPO4 switches are not process sealed.

Reflow Soldering



- Reflow soldering cannot be executed with the cap attached.
- The Reflow Solder Profile describes the printed circuit board (PCB) surface temperature. Since the PCB surface temperature and the switch surface temperature will vary depending on the height of the switch, the PCB material, and PCB thickness, ensure that the switch surface temperature does not exceed 250°C for high temperature.
- Verify soldering conditions prior to beginning the process.

Handling



Series KP04 devices are electrostatic sensitive. To avoid damage to the switches, do not touch terminals

unless properly isolated from static electricity.

Applying a reverse voltage to the LED may cause leakage current or deterioration. Depending on circuit condition, a circuit protector may be necessary.

Simultaneous Illumination

Simultaneous illumination may cause color variability due to characteristics of the LEDs. Check and adjust the current value for each color that is used. If simultaneous illumination is required with a Red/Green/Blue/White (RGBW) LED, consult with our Engineering Department.

Home Key Caps

When using the 12mm, 15mm or 17.4mm home key caps, do not apply pressure with a hard object to the projected dot on top of the caps. It may damage or deform the cap.

Legends for Top of Caps

Surfaces of the caps are ideal for legends, and recommended methods include laser etch, screen print or pad print. Before using a film insert in the actuator, contact NKK Switches. The diffuser cannot be removed.



Reflow Solder Profile	Symbol	Profile A High Temperature
Preheat Temperature	T1	180°C ~ 200°C
Preheat Time	t1	120 Seconds Maximum
Heating Temperature	T2	230°C Minimum
Heating Time	t2	60 Seconds Maximum
Peak Temperature (Surface)	T3	250°C Maximum
Peak Time	t3	Not Specified
Thickness of PCB		1.6mm
Cycles		2
Comments		PCB with No Lead

- The number of soldering procedures should not exceed two, including resoldering work, such as manual soldering.
- After soldering, ensure no mechanical stress is applied to the terminals due to bending or warping of the PC board.

Attaching the Cap to the Switch

Caps are not assembled to the switch until after the reflow soldering process. If reflow soldering is executed with the cap attached, LED lighting failure, damage or malfunction may occur. Remove the heat resistant film from the switch before attaching the cap.

The cap assembly is designed with projections that align with grooves on top of the switch. Confirm the recessed side of the upper plunger in the cap assembly is oriented with the recessed side of the lower plunger on top of switch and snap together. Press cap several times, checking for smooth actuation.

Operating the switch without an actuator or with actuator improperly mounted may cause a malfunction or impairment.



Reflow Solder Profile

LEGENDS

NKK Switches can provide custom legends for caps. Contact factory for more information.

Suggested Printable Areas for KP04 Lens

Recommended Methods:

Laser Etch on clear lens, Screen Print or Pad Print on lens.

Epoxy based ink is recommended.

The Diffuser cannot be removed.

The Lens is the most suitable printing surface.

Shaded areas are suggested printable areas for Lens.



Suggested Printable Areas for KP04 Film Insert

Shaded areas are suggested printable areas for Film Insert.

If a film insert is preferred to display the legend, contact NKK Switches for more information.



Film Insert Material and Thickness: Clear Polyester; 4 mil (100µ) maximum thickness

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