Moisture / Reflow Sensitivity Classification

Moisture/Reflow Sensitivity Classification (MSL), as defined in IPC/JEDEC Standard J-STD-020, is not offered as part of Bourns® Polymeric Thermal Cutoff (P-TCO) standard product ratings or packaging labels as the J-STD-020 standard applies to non-hermetic solid state surface mount devices and does not include passive resistive components. However, as a courtesy to address frequent customer requests, Bourns recommends that P-TCO passive components be handled according to the Floor Life and MSL Classification tables below.

Bourns has determined that if IPC/JEDEC Standard J-STD-020 were to be applied to Bourns® Polymeric Thermal Cutoff products:

- 1. The Bourns[®] P-TCO model series with an MSL Classification level 1 would have a moisture sensitivity rating equivalent to IPC/ JEDEC Standard J-STD-020 MSL 1, specifying an unlimited floor life under the conditions 30 °C / 85 % RH; and
- 2. The Bourns[®] P-TCO model series with an MSL Classification level 2a would have a moisture sensitivity rating equivalent to IPC/ JEDEC Standard J-STD-020 MSL 2a.

An IPC/JEDEC Standard J-STD-020 MSL 2a rating means:

- 1. These components are sensitive to moisture.
- Once these components are removed from the moisture barrier bag packaging at factory ambient temperature of ≤ 30 °C/60 % RH, they must be assembled within 4 weeks from the date the bag was opened.
- If the above conditions are exceeded, a rebake may be necessary prior to assembly to ensure component compliance with stated performance specifications. Recommended rebake condition: 40 °C / 5 % RH for 29 days or contact Bourns.

Floor Life						
MSL Classification	Time	Condition				
1	Unlimited	≤ 30 °C / 85 % RH				
2	1 year					
2a	4 weeks					
3	168 hours					
4	72 hours	≤ 30 °C / 60 % RH				
5	48 hours					
5a	24 hours					
6	Time on Label (TOL)					

The Process Sensitivity Level (PSL) classification of Bourns[®] P-TCO devices as defined in IPC/JEDEC J-STD-075 is R5G; a component that has a maximum processing temperature recommendation of 255 °C with a maximum upper variation of 5 °C.

MSL Classification										
Structure	Model Series	1	2	2a	3	4	5	5a	6	
Surface	P-TCO-U			•						
Mount	P-TCO-N			•						

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