# **Three Phase Thyristor Power Controller TCD3-x**

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# **Description**

The DIN Rail mounting Power Controllers TCD3 are suitable for providing control of electric heating loads from an analogue signal. Applications include electric heating coils, heating cables and electric furnaces. The units utilise solid-state switching with "zero crossing technology" to provide accurate switching control. All items are provided with an alarm output for over temperature protection and LED indication of Output ON. The TCD3 are designed to mount on DIN rail.

#### **Features**

- Selectable Control Input
- 12kW and 18kW Models
- Over Temperature Protection
- 24Vac/dc or self-powered options
- LED Indication
- DIN Rail Mounting



# **Technical Specification**

Input: Selectable 0...10V, 0...5V, 2...10V, 4...20mA

Power Supply: 24Vac/dc +/-10% (self-powered option)

Alarm Output: 24V alarm output drops to 0V on alarm for connecting to external relay

Rated Load: Load/Ph Dissipated Heat

12Kw 16A 33W 18Kw 25A 50W

Max Heater Duty: 12Kw or 18Kw dependent on model

Rated Supply: 380...440Vac, 50/60Hz
LED Indication: ON when output is on
Terminals: Rising cage terminals

Ambient Temp: Maximum 45°C without de-rating

**Dimensions:** 170 x 110 x 102 mm **Country of Origin:** United Kingdom

# **Order Codes**

TCD3-12 Three Phase DIN Rail Thyristor Controller 12Kw
TCD3-18 Three Phase DIN Rail Thyristor Controller 18Kw

TCD3-x-SP Self-powered Option Factory fitted

# **Installation and Configuration**

The TCD3-x is suitable mounting on DIN Rail and must be installed with the heatsink cooling fins orientated vertically. There should be a minimum of 100mm vertically between units.

#### **Electrical Installation**

Installation must be carried out by a suitably trained electrician, and in accordance with the relevant statutory regulations.

#### Load Supply and Back-up Protection

High speed fuses or miniature circuit breakers should be utilised to provide back-up protection to the switching devices. It is recommended that a load disconnect switch and a contactor are installed in the load supply.

#### **Control Supply**

The unit is supplied as standard with the requirement for a 24Vac/dc auxiliary power supply. There is the option of having a transformer fitted to the unit so that the unit is self-powered without the need for an auxiliary supply. If this option is used then it is essential to connect your neutral to the neutral terminal. See wiring for details. The control supply common is linked to the 0-10V Input Signal common. Screened cable should be used for connections to BMS Controllers, where possible the cable screen should be connected to a functional earth and at one end only to avoid earth loops.

# Cycle Time & Signal Rescaling

The unit is supplied with the cycle time set to minimum. An onboard potentiometer is provided to facilitate adjustment of the cycle time in the range of 5 to 60 seconds.

# **Maximum Heating Load**

The power rating of the units are given as a guide. The maximum current ( which is dependant on the actual supply voltage and heating load) as shown in the above table must not be exceeded.

# Operation

The TCD3-x has been designed to control electric heating loads in proportion to the incoming, selectable analogue signal. Control of the load is facilitated by the use of solid-state semiconductor devices and feature zero crossing point switching of the AC load which virtually eliminates RFI problems.

#### Caution

In normal operation the heatsink surface can exceed 90°C. Dangerous voltages exist on the PCB and particular care should be taken. The TCD3-x must be installed in accordance with the relevant statutory regulations and installation must be carried out by an experienced and fully qualified engineer.

#### Ventilation

The TCD3-x is suitable for use up to a maximum ambient temperature of 45 °C which should not be exceeded. If necessary, enclosures or control panels should be ventilated with a cooling fan, particularly if the unit is being used to run at full power to provide forced cool air movement over the heatsink.

#### **Over Temperature Monitoring**

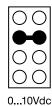
The TCD3-x is provide with an electronic thermal cut-out fitted to the heatsink to protect against over temperature. The unit will switch off the load if the heatsink temperature exceeds 95°C and will automatically reconnect the load once the heatsink temperature has dropped below 85°C. Upon switching, the alarm output from the control PCB will change from 24V to 0V.

The heatsink temperature will not reach  $95\,^{\circ}$  C under normal operating conditions. However, this might occur if the ambient temperature exceeds  $45\,^{\circ}$  C.

# **Jumper Settings**

## **Voltage Inputs**









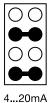


2...10Vdc 1...5Vdc

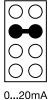
#### **Current Inputs**



I/V Jumper









0...10mA

# Wiring

