



Product designation

Power contactor

Product type designation

BF38

Contact characteristics

Number of poles	Nr.	3
Rated insulation voltage U_i IEC/EN	V	690
Rated impulse withstand voltage U_{imp}	kV	6
Operational frequency	min	Hz 25
	max	Hz 400
IEC Conventional free air thermal current I_{th}	A	56
Operational current I_e		
	AC-1 ($\leq 40^\circ\text{C}$)	A 56
	AC-1 ($\leq 40^\circ\text{C}$) with 16mm ² wire and fork end lug	A 60
	AC-1 ($\leq 55^\circ\text{C}$)	A 45
	AC-1 ($\leq 55^\circ\text{C}$) with 16mm ² wire and fork end lug	A 48
	AC-1 ($\leq 70^\circ\text{C}$)	A 40
	AC-1 ($\leq 70^\circ\text{C}$) with 16mm ² wire and fork end lug	A 42
	AC-3 ($\leq 440\text{V } \leq 55^\circ\text{C}$)	A 38
	AC-4 (400V)	A 15.5
Rated operational power AC-3 ($T \leq 55^\circ\text{C}$)		
	230V	kW 11
	400V	kW 18.5
	415V	kW 18.5
	440V	kW 18.5
	500V	kW 20
	690V	kW 22
Rated operational power AC-1 ($T \leq 40^\circ\text{C}$)		
	230V	kW 21
	400V	kW 36
	500V	kW 45
	690V	kW 62
IEC max current I_e in DC1 with $L/R \leq 1\text{ms}$ with 1 poles in series		
	$\leq 24\text{V}$	A 35
	48V	A 30
	75V	A 23
	110V	A 8
	220V	A –
IEC max current I_e in DC1 with $L/R \leq 1\text{ms}$ with 2 poles in series		
	$\leq 24\text{V}$	A 36
	48V	A 34
	75V	A 29
	110V	A 32
	220V	A 4
IEC max current I_e in DC1 with $L/R \leq 1\text{ms}$ with 3 poles in series		
	$\leq 24\text{V}$	A 36

	48V	A	34
	75V	A	33
	110V	A	34
	220V	A	30
IEC max current Ie in DC1 with L/R ≤ 1ms with 4 poles in series			
	≤24V	A	36
	48V	A	34
	75V	A	33
	110V	A	34
	220V	A	38
IEC max current Ie in DC3-DC5 with L/R ≤ 15ms with 1 poles in series			
	≤24V	A	24
	48V	A	20
	75V	A	17
	110V	A	2,5
	220V	A	–
IEC max current Ie in DC3-DC5 with L/R ≤ 15ms with 2 poles in series			
	≤24V	A	28
	48V	A	25
	75V	A	22
	110V	A	18
	220V	A	3
IEC max current Ie in DC3-DC5 with L/R ≤ 15ms with 3 poles in series			
	≤24V	A	32
	48V	A	28
	75V	A	28
	110V	A	23
	220V	A	25
IEC max current Ie in DC3-DC5 with L/R ≤ 15ms with 4 poles in series			
	≤24V	A	32
	48V	A	28
	75V	A	28
	110V	A	23
	220V	A	15
Short-time allowable current for 10s (IEC/EN60947-1)		A	320
Protection fuse			
	gG (IEC)	A	63
	aM (IEC)	A	40
Making capacity (RMS value)		A	380
Breaking capacity at voltage			
	440V	A	304
	500V	A	240
	690V	A	192
Resistance per pole (average value)		mΩ	2
Power dissipation per pole (average value)			
	Ith	W	6
	AC-3	W	2.9
Tightening torque for terminals			
	min	Nm	2.5
	max	Nm	3
	min	Ibin	1.8
	max	Ibin	2.2
Tightening torque for coil terminal			

	min	Nm	0.8
	max	Nm	1
	min	Ibin	0.8
	max	Ibin	0.74
Max number of wires simultaneously connectable	Nr.		2
Conductor section			
AWG/Kcmil			
	max		6
Flexible w/o lug conductor section			
	min	mm ²	2.5
	max	mm ²	16
Flexible c/w lug conductor section			
	min	mm ²	1
	max	mm ²	10
Flexible with insulated spade lug conductor section			
	min	mm ²	1
	max	mm ²	10
Power terminal protection according to IEC/EN 60529			IP20 when properly wired
Mechanical features			
Operating position			
	normal allowable		Vertical plan ±30°
Fixing			Screw / DIN rail 35mm
Weight		g	564
Operations			
Mechanical life		cycles	20000000
Electrical life		cycles	1400000
Safety related data			
Performance level B10d according to EN/ISO 13489-1			
	rated load	cycles	1400000
	mechanical load	cycles	20000000
EMC compatibility			yes
AC coil operating			
AC operating voltage			
	of 50/60Hz coil powered at 50Hz drop-out		
	max	%Us	55
DC coil operating			
DC rated control voltage		V	48
DC operating voltage			
	pick-up		
	min	%Us	80
	max	%Us	110
	drop-out		
	min	%Us	10
	max	%Us	40
Average coil consumption ≤20°C			
	in-rush	W	2.4
	holding	W	2.4
Max cycles frequency			
Mechanical operation		cycles/h	3600
Operating times			

Average time for Us control
in AC

Closing NO	min	ms	8
	max	ms	24
Opening NO	min	ms	5
	max	ms	15
Closing NC	min	ms	9
	max	ms	20
Opening NC	min	ms	9
	max	ms	17

in DC

Closing NO	min	ms	76
	max	ms	92
Opening NO	min	ms	16
	max	ms	20

UL technical data

Rated operational voltage AC (UL) V 600

Full-load current (FLA) for three-phase AC motor

at 480V	A	40
at 600V	A	32

Yielded mechanical performance

for single-phase AC motor

110/120V	HP	3
230V	HP	7.5

for three-phase AC motor

200/208V	HP	10
220/230V	HP	15
460/480V	HP	30
575/600V	HP	30

General USE

Contactor

AC current	A	55
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Short-circuit protection fuse, 600V

High fault

Short circuit current	kA	100
Fuse rating	A	100
Fuse class	J	

Standard fault

Short circuit current	kA	5
Fuse rating	A	150

Ambient conditions

Temperature

Operating temperature

min	°C	-50
max	°C	70

Storage temperature

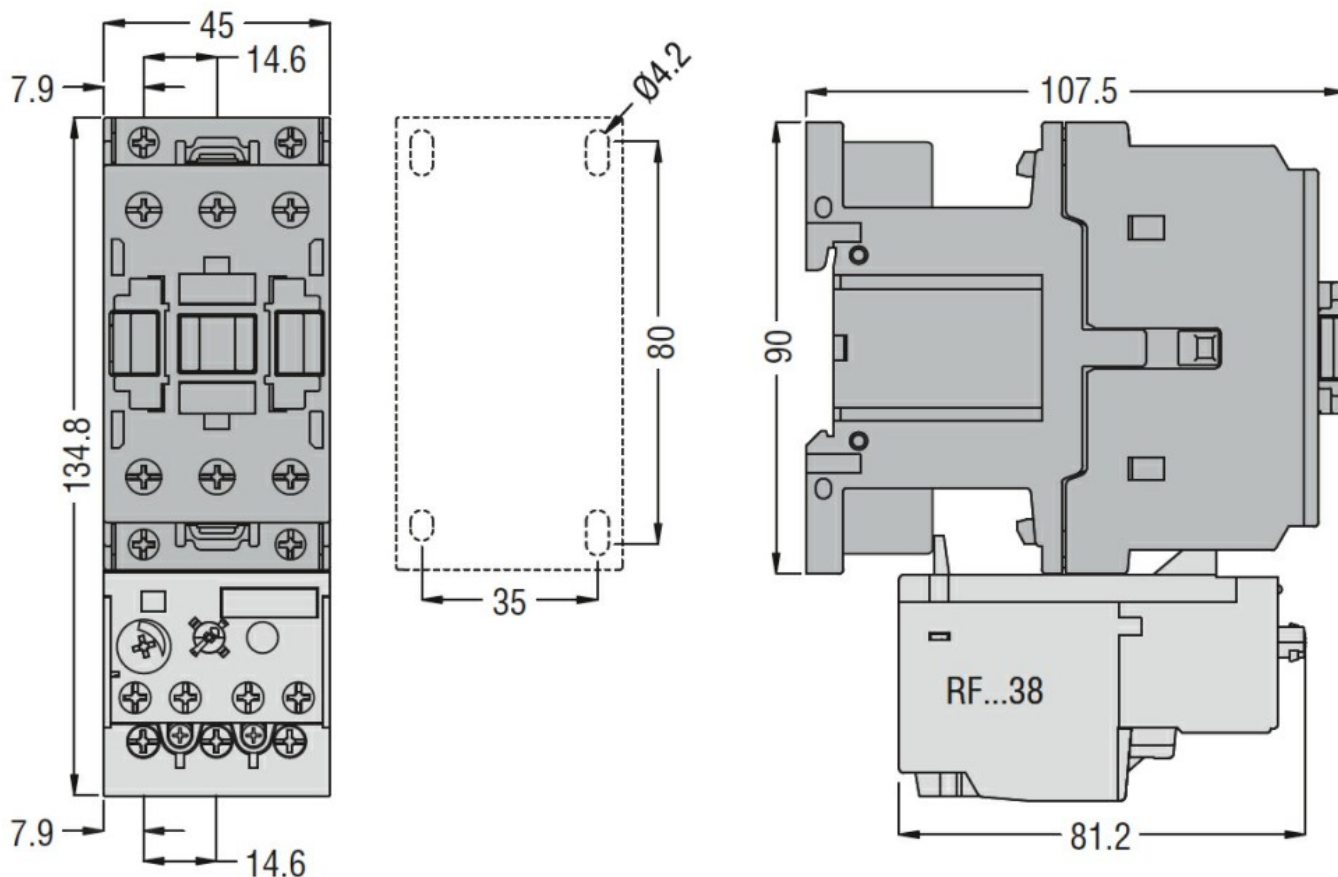
min	°C	-60
max	°C	80

Max altitude m 3000

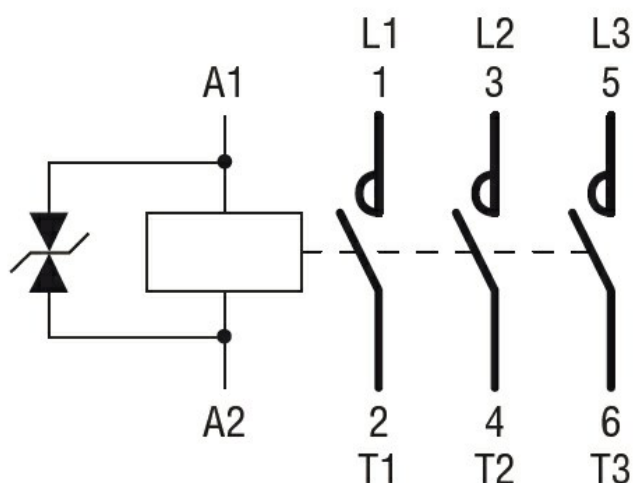
Resistance & Protection

Pollution degree 3

Dimensions



Wiring diagrams



Certifications and compliance

Compliance

CSA C22.2 n° 60947-1

CSA C22.2 n° 60947-4-1

IEC/EN/BS 60947-1

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UL 60947-1

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Certificates

CCC

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ETIM classification

ETIM 8.0

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Power contactor,
AC switching