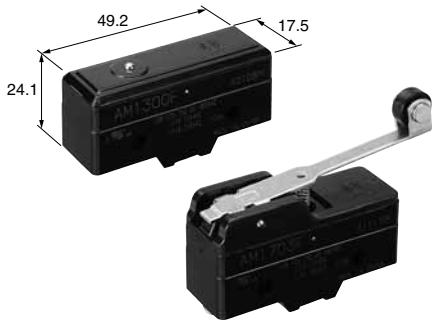
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High Operating Precision Basic Switches with High Capacity and Long Life

AM1 (NZ) SWITCHES



(Unit: mm)

RoHS compliant

FEATURES

- **10 A Current switching capacity**
- **High precision and long life**
- **Versatile variety of actuators**
- **Screw terminal types can be used with M4 crimp terminals**

TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

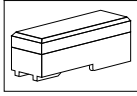
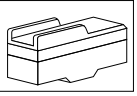
- **Transfer machine**
- **Packing machine**
- **Textile equipment**
- **Cutting machine**
- **Foot operated switch, etc.**

ORDERING INFORMATION

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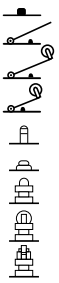
- Upper body cover shape & terminal
  1: Flat, solder terminal
  3: Flat, screw terminal
  5: Grooved, solder terminal
  7: Grooved, screw terminal

Upper body cover shape

Flat	Grooved
	

- Basic specifications
  0: Standard type
  1: Oil tight type
  3: Reversed action type
  4: One way type

- Actuators
  0: Pin plunger
  1: Hinge lever (Flexible leaf lever)
  3: Hinge roller lever (Flexible roller leaf lever)
  4: Hinge short roller lever
  5: Overtravel plunger
  6: Compact overtravel plunger
  7: Panel mount plunger
  811: Panel mount roller plunger
  812: Panel mount cross roller plunger



- F: Cadmium free

Note: Not every combination is available. Please refer to the following table, “PRODUCT TYPES”.
Standard part number indicates UL/C-UL (CSA standard) mark.

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PRODUCT TYPES

■ Standard type

Actuator	Terminal style	
	Solder terminal	Screw terminal
Pin plunger	AM1100F	AM1300F
Over travel plunger	AM1105F	AM1305F
Compact over travel plunger	AM1106F	AM1306F
Panel mount plunger	AM1107F	AM1307F
Panel mount roller plunger	AM110811F	AM130811F
Panel mount cross roller plunger	AM110812F	AM130812F
Flexible leaf lever	AM1101F	AM1301F
Flexible roller leaf lever	AM1103F	AM1303F
Hinge lever	AM1501F	AM1701F
Hinge short roller lever	AM1504F	AM1704F
Hinge roller lever	AM1503F	AM1703F
One way type hinge short roller lever	AM1544F	AM1744F
One way type hinge roller lever	AM1543F	AM1743F
Reversed action type hinge lever	AM1531F	AM1731F
Reversed action type hinge short roller lever	AM1534F	AM1734F
Reversed action type hinge roller lever	AM1533F	AM1733F

Standard packing for inner carton: 20cps.
Note: Standard part number indicates UL/C-UL (CSA standard) mark.

■ Oil tight types

Actuator	Terminal style	
	Solder terminal	Screw terminal
Hinge lever	AM1511F	AM1711F
Hinge short roller lever	AM1514F	AM1714F
Hinge roller lever	AM1513F	AM1713F

Standard packing for inner carton: 20cps.
Note: Standard part number indicates UL/C-UL (CSA standard) mark.

SPECIFICATIONS

■ Contact Rating

Type	Voltage	Resistive load (cos ϕ = 1)	Inductive load (cos ϕ = 0.4)	Motor or lamp load	
				NC	NO
Standard type	125 V AC	10 A	6 A	3 A	1.5 A
	250 V AC	10 A	6 A	2 A	1 A
	480 V AC	1 A	0.5 A	—	—
	125 V DC	0.5 A	0.05 A	—	—
	250 V DC	0.25 A	0.03 A	—	—
Oil tight type	125 V AC	10 A	6 A	3 A	1.5 A
	250 V AC	10 A	6 A	2 A	1.0 A
	125 V DC	0.5 A	0.05 A	—	—

■ Characteristics

Item			Specifications
Expected life	Mechanical	Pin plunger types	Min. 2 $\times 10^7$ (60 cpm) (OT: specified value) (Oil tight: Min. 1.5 $\times 10^6$)
		Other actuator types	Min. 5 $\times 10^6$ (60 cpm) (OT: specified value) (Oil tight: Min. 1.5 $\times 10^6$)
	Electrical (OT: Max.)		Min. 5 $\times 10^5$ (20 cpm) (at rated load) (Oil tight: Min. 1.5 $\times 10^5$)
Insulation resistance			Min. 100 MΩ (at 500 V DC)
Dielectric strength	Between non-continuous terminals		1,000 Vrms for 1 min.
	Between each terminal and other exposed metal parts		2,000 Vrms for 1 min.
	Between each terminal and ground		2,000 Vrms for 1 min.
Contact resistance (initial)			Max. 50 mΩ (by voltage drop, 1 A, 6 to 8 V DC)
Vibration resistance (Pin plunger type)			Single amplitude: 0.75 mm, 10 to 55 Hz (contact opening: max. 1 msec.)
Shock resistance	Pin plunger types		Min. 300 m/s^2 (contact opening: max. 1 msec.)
	Other actuator types		Min. 50 m/s^2 (contact opening: max. 1 msec.)
Allowable operating speed (at no load)			0.1 to 1,000 mm/sec. (at pin plunger position)
Max. operating cycle rate (at no load)			240 cpm
Ambient temperature			–25°C to +80°C (no freezing and condensing)
Unit weight			Approx. 20 to 55 g
Contact specifications	Contact material		Ag alloy
Protection grade			IP40

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■ Operating Characteristics

1) Standard type

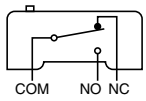
Actuator	Operating Force OF, max.	Release Force RF, min.	Pretravel PT, max.	Movement Differential MD, max.	Overtravel OT, min.	Free Position FP, max.	Operating Position OP
Pin plunger	3.63 N	0.12 N	0.4 mm	0.05 mm	0.13 mm	—	15.9±0.4 mm
Overtravel plunger	3.63 N	0.12 N	0.4 mm	0.05 mm	1.5 mm	—	28.2±0.5 mm
Compact overtravel plunger	3.63 N	0.12 N	0.4 mm	0.05 mm	1.5 mm	—	21.2±0.5 mm
Panel mount plunger	3.63 N	0.12 N	0.4 mm	0.05 mm	5.6 mm	—	21.8±0.8 mm
Panel mount roller plunger	3.63 N	0.12 N	0.4 mm	0.05 mm	3.6 mm	—	33.3±1.2 mm
Panel mount cross roller plunger	3.63 N	0.12 N	0.4 mm	0.05 mm	3.6 mm	—	33.3±1.2 mm
Flexible leaf lever	1.47 N	0.14 N	4 mm	1.3 mm	1.6 mm	—	17.5±0.8 mm
Flexible roller leaf lever	1.47 N	0.14 N	4 mm	1.3 mm	1.6 mm	—	28.6±0.8 mm
Hinge lever	0.69 N	0.14 N	10 mm	1.3 mm	5.6 mm	—	19.1±0.7 mm
Hinge short roller lever	1.57 N	0.42 N	4.5 mm	0.7 mm	2.4 mm	—	30.2±0.4 mm
Hinge roller lever	0.98 N	0.2 N	7.5 mm	1.3 mm	3.6 mm	—	30.2±0.7 mm
One way type hinge short roller lever	2.23 N	0.42 N	3.5 mm	0.4 mm	1.5 mm	31.8 mm	30.2±0.4 mm
One way type hinge roller lever	1.67 N	0.42 N	4.5 mm	0.5 mm	2.4 mm	43.3 mm	41.3±0.4 mm
Reversed action type hinge lever	1.67 N	0.27 N	5.0 mm	0.9 mm	5.6 mm	—	19.1±0.8 mm
Reversed action type hinge short roller lever	5.30 N	1.67 N	2.5 mm	0.4 mm	2.0 mm	—	30.2±0.5 mm
Reversed action type hinge roller lever	2.35 N	0.56 N	3.6 mm	0.7 mm	4.0 mm	—	30.2±0.8 mm

2) Oil tight types

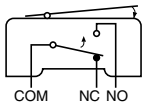
Actuator	Operating Force OF, max.	Release Force RF, min.	Pretravel PT, max.	Movement Differential MD, max.	Overtravel OT, min.	Operating Position OP
Hinge lever	0.69 N	0.14 N	10 mm	1.5 mm	5.6 mm	19.1±0.7 mm
Hinge short roller lever	1.67 N	0.42 N	4.5 mm	0.7 mm	2.4 mm	30.2±0.4 mm
Hinge roller lever	0.98 N	0.20 N	7.5 mm	1.3 mm	3.6 mm	30.2±0.7 mm

CONTACT FORM

■ SPDT



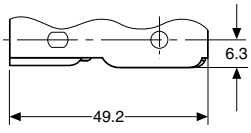
■ Reversed action type

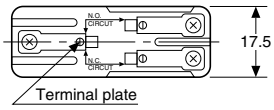


Contact return when actuator operates.
Even in the free position (FP), excellent vibration resistance and shock resistance owing to immobilization by external force.

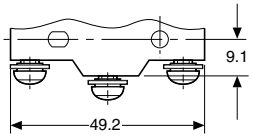
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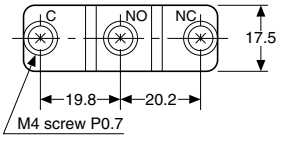
■ Solder terminal





■ Screw terminal





Note: The position of reversed action type of NO and NC is reverse.

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DIMENSIONS

(Unit: mm) General tolerance: ±0.4

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■ Standard types

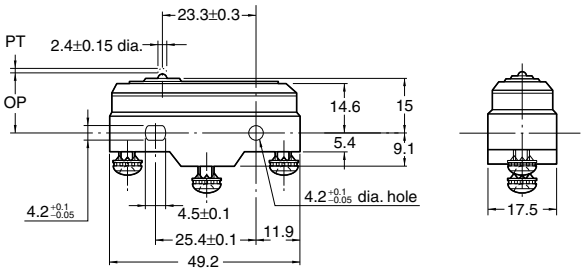
Pin plunger

CAD Data



AM1100F (Solder terminal)
AM1300F (Screw terminal)

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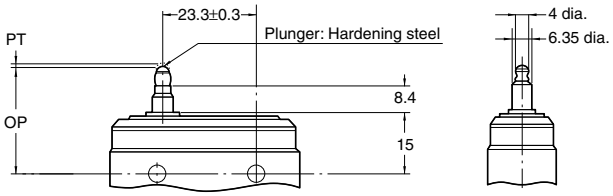
Operating Force OF, max.	3.63 N
Release Force RF, min.	1.12 N
Pretravel PT, max.	0.4 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.05 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	0.13 mm
Operating Position OP	15.9±0.4 mm

Overtravel plunger

CAD Data



AM1105F (Solder terminal)
AM1305F (Screw terminal)



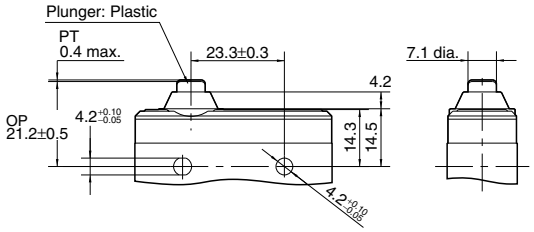
Operating Force OF, max.	3.63 N
Release Force RF, min.	1.12 N
Pretravel PT, max.	0.4 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.05 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	1.5 mm
Operating Position OP	28.2±0.5 mm

Compact overtravel plunger

CAD Data



AM1106F (Solder terminal)
AM1306F (Screw terminal)



Operating Force OF, max.	3.63 N
Release Force RF, min.	1.12 N
Pretravel PT, max.	0.4 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.05 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	1.5 mm
Operating Position OP	21.2±0.5 mm

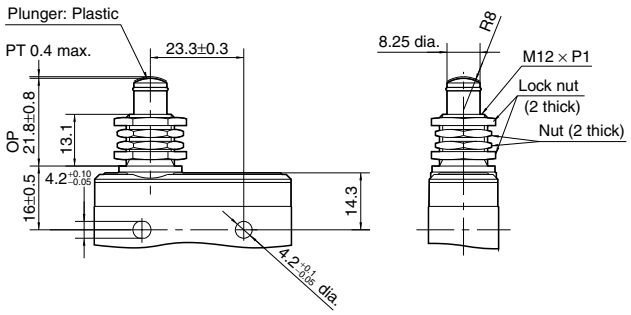
Panel mount plunger

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CAD Data



AM1107F (Solder terminal)
AM1307F (Screw terminal)



Operating Force OF, max.	3.63 N
Release Force RF, min.	1.12 N
Pretravel PT, max.	0.4 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.05 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	5.6 mm
Operating Position OP	21.8±0.8 mm

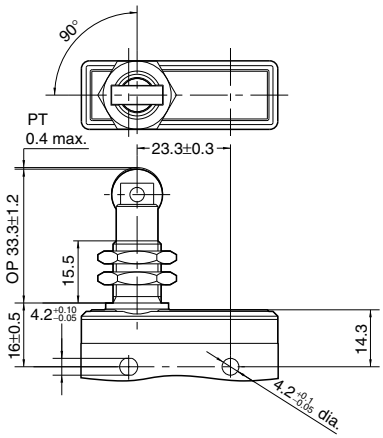
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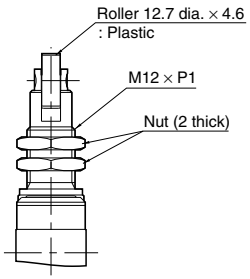
Panel mount roller plunger

CAD Data



AM110811F (Solder terminal)
AM130811F (Screw terminal)





Operating Force OF, max.	3.63 N
Release Force RF, min.	1.12 N
Pretravel PT, max.	0.4 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.05 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	3.6 mm
Operating Position OP	33.3±1.2 mm

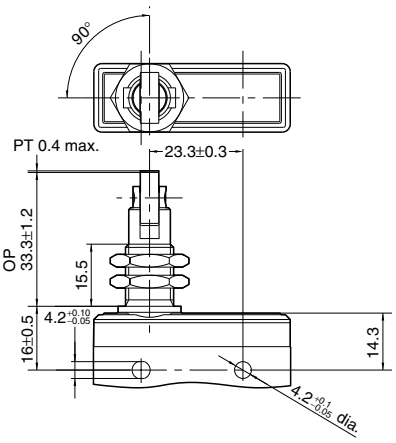
Panel mount cross roller plunger

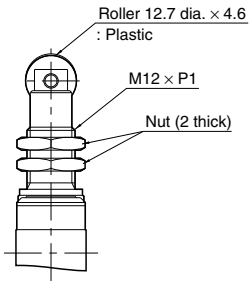
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Dimensions and Operating characteristics are the same as those of Panel mount roller plunger type. However, the roller joins the switch body at an angle of 90°.



AM110812F (Solder terminal)
AM130812F (Screw terminal)





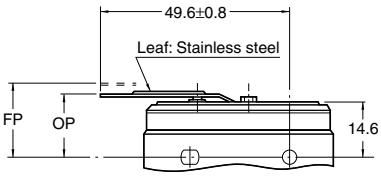
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Operating Position OP	33.3±1.2 mm

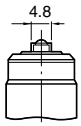
Flexible leaf lever

CAD Data



AM1101F (Solder terminal)
AM1301F (Screw terminal)





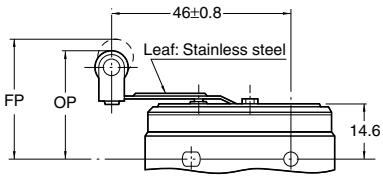
Operating Force OF, max.	1.47 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.14 N
Pretravel PT, max.	4 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	1.3 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	1.6 mm
Operating Position OP	17.5±0.8 mm

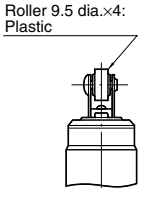
Flexible roller leaf lever

CAD Data



AM1103F (Solder terminal)
AM1303F (Screw terminal)





Operating Force OF, max.	1.47 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.14 N
Pretravel PT, max.	4 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	1.3 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	1.6 mm
Operating Position OP	28.6±0.8 mm

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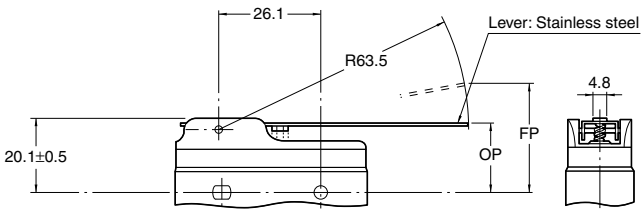
Hinge lever

CAD Data



AM1501F (Solder terminal)
AM1701F (Screw terminal)

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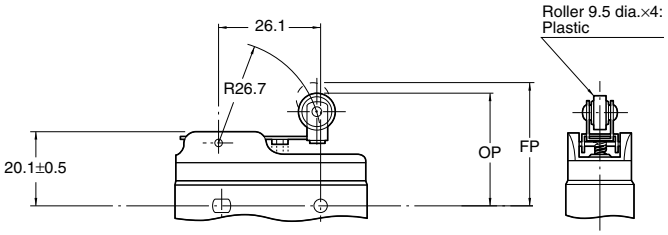
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Release Force RF, min.	0.14 N
Pretravel PT, max.	10 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	1.3 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	5.6 mm
Operating Position OP	19.1±0.7 mm

Hinge short roller lever

CAD Data



AM1504F (Solder terminal)
AM1704F (Screw terminal)



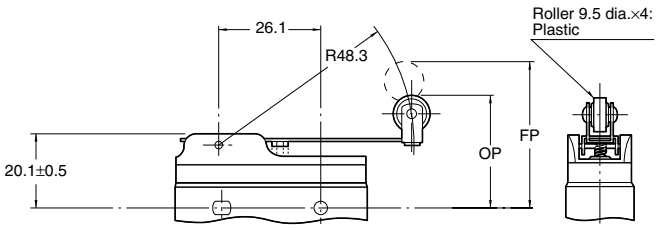
Operating Force OF, max.	1.57 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.42 N
Pretravel PT, max.	4.5 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.7 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	2.4 mm
Operating Position OP	30.2±0.4 mm

Hinge roller lever

CAD Data



AM1503F (Solder terminal)
AM1703F (Screw terminal)



Operating Force OF, max.	0.98 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.2 N
Pretravel PT, max.	7.5 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	1.3 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	3.6 mm
Operating Position OP	30.2±0.7 mm

■ One way types

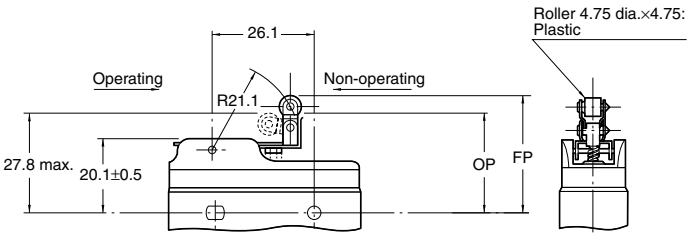
Hinge short roller lever

This type is operated only to one direction, not to the reversed direction by the construction of the roller lever, pivoting away from the cam on the return stroke.

CAD Data



AM1544F (Solder terminal)
AM1744F (Screw terminal)



Operating Force OF, max.	2.23 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.42 N
Pretravel PT, max.	3.5 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.4 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	1.5 mm
Operating Position OP	30.2±0.4 mm

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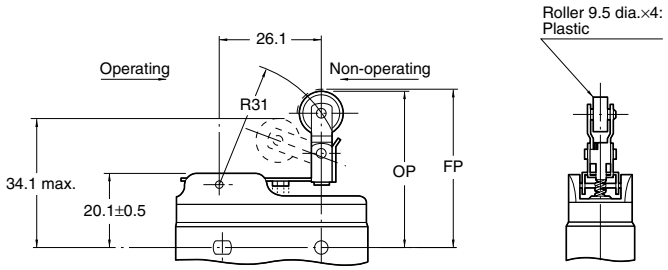
Hinge roller lever

CAD Data

This type is operated only to one direction, not to the reversed direction by the construction of the roller lever, pivoting away from the cam on the return stroke.



AM1543F (Solder terminal)
AM1743F (Screw terminal)



Operating Force OF, max.	1.67 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.42 N
Pretravel PT, max.	4.5 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.5 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	2.4 mm
Operating Position OP	41.3±0.4 mm

■ Reversed action types

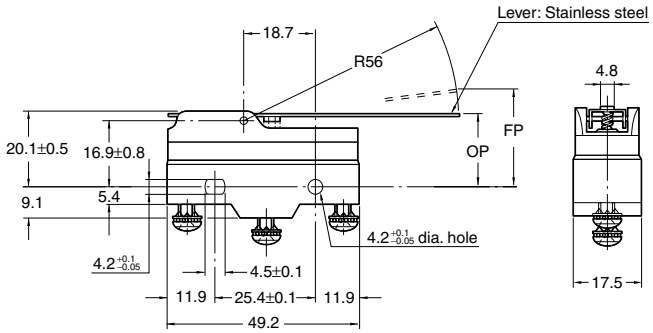
Hinge lever

CAD Data

Contact return when actuator operates. (Please refer to “CONTACT FORM”.)
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Please refer to “TERMINAL STYLE” for the shape and size of terminal section.



AM1531F (Solder terminal)
AM1731F (Screw terminal)



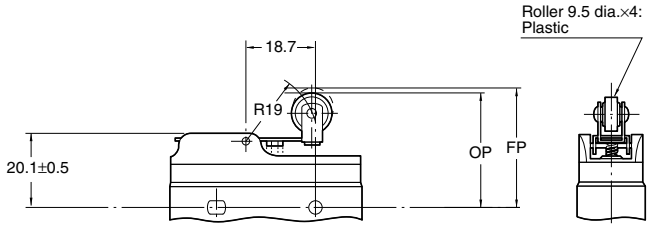
Operating Force OF, max.	1.67 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.27 N
Pretravel PT, max.	5.0 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.9 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	5.6 mm
Operating Position OP	19.1±0.8 mm

Hinge short roller lever

CAD Data



AM1534F (Solder terminal)
AM1734F (Screw terminal)



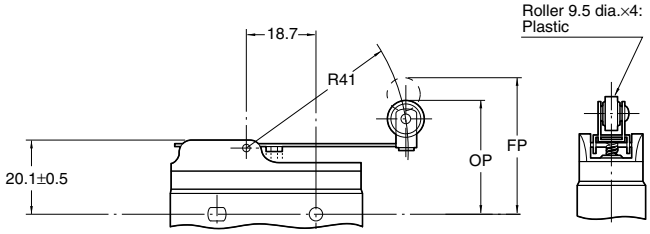
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Release Force RF, min.	1.67 N
Pretravel PT, max.	2.5 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.4 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	2.0 mm
Operating Position OP	30.2±0.5 mm

Hinge roller lever

CAD Data



AM1533F (Solder terminal)
AM1733F (Screw terminal)



Operating Force OF, max.	2.35 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.56 N
Pretravel PT, max.	3.6 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.7 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	4.0 mm
Operating Position OP	30.2±0.8 mm

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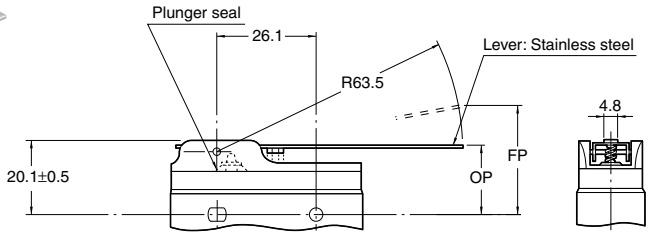
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■ Oil tight types

Hinge lever

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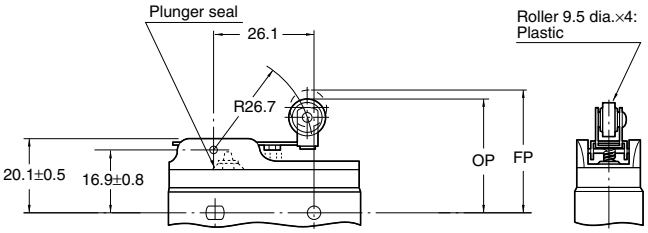
AM1511F (Solder terminal)
AM1711F (Screw terminal)

Operating Force OF, max.	0.69 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.14 N
Pretravel PT, max.	10 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	1.5 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	5.6 mm
Operating Position OP	19.1±0.7 mm

Hinge short roller lever

CAD Data





AM1514F (Solder terminal)
AM1714F (Screw terminal)

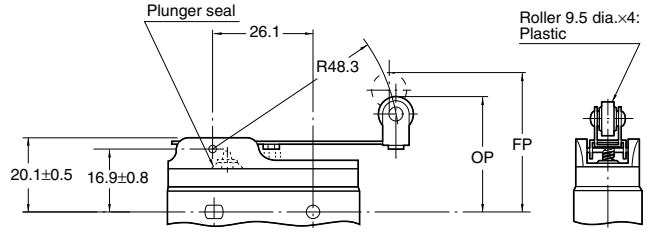
Operating Force OF, max.	1.67 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.42 N
Pretravel PT, max.	4.5 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	0.7 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	2.4 mm
Operating Position OP	30.2±0.4 mm

Hinge roller lever

The photograph is a case of a screw terminal. The dimension is an intersection except a terminal section. Please refer to "TERMINAL STYLE" for the shape and size of terminal section.

CAD Data





AM1513F (Solder terminal)
AM1713F (Screw terminal)

Operating Force OF, max.	0.98 N
Release Force RF, min.	0.20 N
Pretravel PT, max.	7.5 mm
Movement Differential MD, max.	1.3 mm
Overtravel OT, min.	3.6 mm
Operating Position OP	30.2±0.7 mm

CAUTIONS FOR USE

■ Regarding fastening of switch body

In fastening the switch body, use M4 mounting screws to attach switches with the torque 1.5 N·m or less.

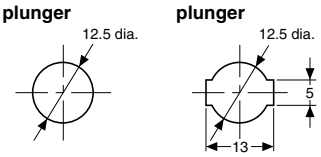
■ Soldering operations

Perform soldering in less than 3 seconds with maximum 350°C iron. Care should be taken not to apply force to the terminals during soldering. We recommend a soldering iron with temperature adjustment in order to prevent poor quality soldering.
Please consult us if you intend to use a soldering iron of 60 W or higher.

■ Panel mount type

1) When mounting the panel, tighten the hex nut for actuator to less than 4.0 N·m.
2) Mounting hole dimensions are as shown below.

Mounting hole dimensions



■ Environment

Avoid using and storing these switches in a location where they will be exposed to corrosive gases, silicon, or high dust levels, all of which can have an adverse effect on the contacts.

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Technical Terminology & Cautions for Use

(Detection Switches)

TECHNICAL TERMINOLOGY

■ Detection Switches
A compact switch equipped with an enclosed micro-gap snap-action contact mechanism that makes a specified motion with a specified force to open/close a circuit, and an actuator outside the enclosure (hereinafter referred to as the switch)

■ Actuator
A part of the switch that transmits the received external force to an internal spring mechanism to move the movable contact so that the switch can be opened and closed

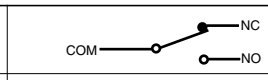
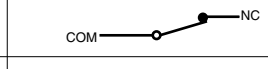
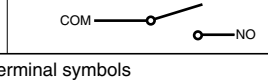
■ Actuator stopper
A part of the switch to limit the actuator movement in the switch operation direction

■ Rated values
Values indicating the characteristics and performance guarantee standards of the snap-action switches. The rated current and rated voltage, for instance, assume specific conditions (type of load, current, voltage, frequency, etc.).

■ Mechanical life
The service life when operated at a preset operating frequency without passing electricity through the contacts. (The life test is performed at a switching frequency of 60 times/minute and operating speed of 100 mm/second at the regular cam.)

■ Electrical life
The service life when the rated load is connected to the contact and switching operations are performed. (The life test is performed at a switching frequency of 20 times/minute and operating speed of 100 mm/second at the regular cam.)

■ Contact form
This refers to the components determining the type of application which make up the electrical input/output circuits in the contact.

SPDT	
SPST-NC	
SPST-NO	

Terminal symbols
COM: Common terminal
NC: Normally closed terminal
NO: Normally open terminal

■ Insulation resistance
Resistance between non-continuous terminals, each terminal and other exposed metal parts and between each terminal and ground.

■ Dielectric
Threshold limit value that a high voltage can be applied to a predetermined measuring location for one minute without causing damage to the insulation.

■ Contact resistance
This indicates the electrical resistance at the contact part. Generally, this resistance includes the conductor resistance of the spring and terminal portions.

■ Vibration resistance
Malfunction vibration ... Vibration range where a closed contact does not open for longer than a specified time due to vibrations during use of the snap-action switches.

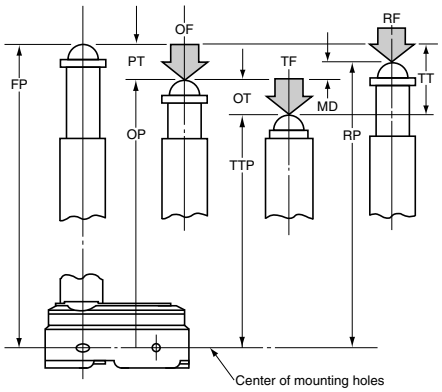
■ Shock resistance
Shock durability ... Shock range where the mechanical shocks received during snap-action switches transport and installation do not damage the parts or harm the operating characteristics.
Malfunction shock ... Shock range where a closed contact does not open for longer than a specified time due to shocks during use of the snap-action switches.

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OPERATING CHARACTERISTIC

■ Definition of operating characteristic

The main terminological illustrations and meanings which are used with snap-action switches are as follows.



Classification	Terminology	Symbol	Unit	Varying display method	Starting current
Force	Operating Force	OF	N	Max.	The force required to cause contact snap-action. It is expressed terms of force applied to the the actuator.
	Release Force	RF	N	Min.	The force to be applied to the the actuator at the moment contact snaps back from operated position to total travel position.
	Totaltravel Force	TF	N		Force applied to an actuator required to move from an operating position to a total travel position
Movement	Pretravel	PT	mm, degree	Max.	Distance or agree of the actuator movement from free position to operating position.
	Overtravel	OT	mm, degree	Min.	The distance or degree which the actuator is permitted to travel after actuation without any damage to the switching mechanism.
	Movement Differential	MD	mm, degree	Max.	The distance or degree from operating position to release position of the actuator.
	Totaltravel	TT	mm, degree		The migration length or the move angle from the free position to total travel position of actuator
Position	Free Position	FP	mm, degree		Position of the actuator when no force is applied to.
	Operating Position	OP	mm, degree	±	The position of the actuator when the traveling contacts snaps with the fixed contact.
	Release Position	RP	mm, degree		The position of the actuator when the traveling contact snaps back from operating position to its original position.
	Total travel Position	TTP	mm, degree		The stopping position of the actuator after total travel.

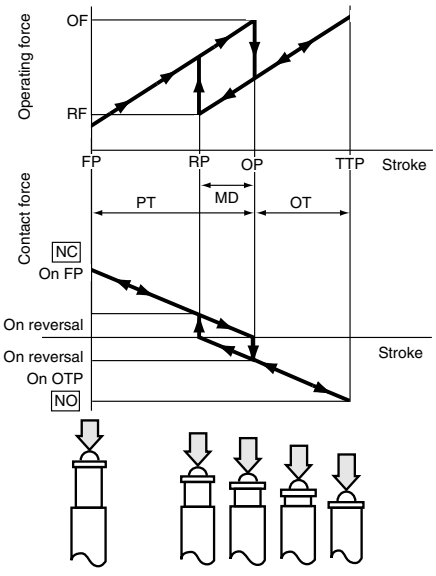
TECHNICAL NOTES ON MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS

■ Actuation Force and Stroke

Adequate stroke setting is the key to high reliability. It is also important that adequate contact force be 'maintained to ensure high reliability. For a normally closed (NC) circuit, the driving mechanism should be set so that the actuator is normally in the free position. For a normally open (NO) circuit, the actuator should be pressed to 70% to 100% of the specified stroke to absorb possible errors.

If the stroke is set too close to the operating point (OP), this may cause unstable contact, and in the worst case may cause actuator damage due to inertia of the drive mechanism. It is advisable that the stroke be adjusted with the mounting plate or driving mechanism.

The figure at right shows a typical example of activation and contact forces varying with stroke. In the vicinity of the OP and RP, the contact force is diminished, causing chatter and contact bounce immediately before or after reversal. For this reason, use the switch while giving due consideration to this. This also causes the snap action switch to be sensitive to vibration or shock.



■ Changes in Operating Characteristics

Exercise design care so that malfunctions will not occur if the operating characteristics vary by as much as 20% from, rated values.

<Example>

In the OF max. 0.98N specification for FS snap-action switches, the allowable max. is 0.98 N × (100%+20%) = 1.18 N

In the RF min. 0.15 N min. specification

the allowable min. 0.15 N × (100%–20%) = 0.12 N

■ Mechanical Conditions for Type Selection

Actuator type should be selected according to activation method, activation speed, activation rate, and activation frequency.

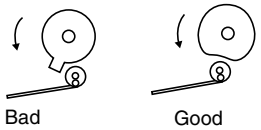
1) An extremely slow activation speed may cause unstable contact transfer, possibly resulting in contact failures or contact fusion.

2) An extremely high activation speed may cause damage to contacts or contact response failure.

■ Driving Mechanism

Use of a driving mechanism which will cause physical impact to the actuator should be avoided.

<Example>

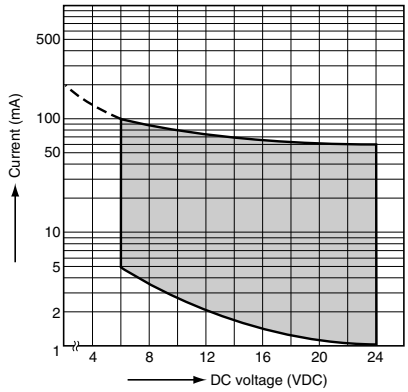


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TECHNICAL NOTES ON ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

1) The snap-action switch is designed for AC operations. While it has small contact gaps and no arc absorber, it may be used for low-capacity DC operations.
Please refer to the rating of each products
2) For applications with very small switching voltage or current, choose the low-level load type (Au contact).

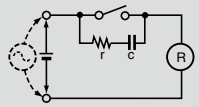
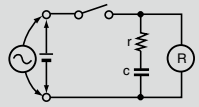
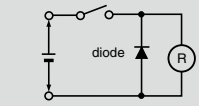
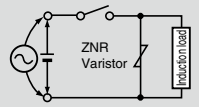
Small current and voltage application range (Au contact)



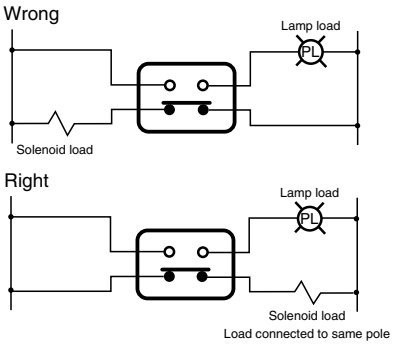
3) When selecting a contact type of a snap-action switch to be used for low-level load switching, the following should be noted. Silver contacts' surfaces are prone to be oxidized and form a sulfide film. The switch operates with no problems at the beginning of use. However, as the contact surfaces develop films with time, the film may not be broken by the switching operation, causing a conduction failure. Therefore, please choose the Au contact type for switching a load of 0.1 A or below.
4) Application to Electronic Circuits
• The snap-action switch contacts can sustain bounce or chatter when closed. Bounce or chatter can cause noise or pulse count errors when the snap action switch is used in electronic circuits.
• If contact bounce or chatter poses problems in the vicinity of the OP and RP, use a suitable absorption network, such as a C/R network.
5) Check the surge current, normal current and surge duration.
6) Contact resistance given in performance specifications is measured with a voltage drop method using 6 to 8 V DC, 1 A (except for low-level load type). Contact resistance across COM and NC terminals is measured in the free position, while contact resistance across COM and NO terminals is measured in the total travel position.
7) To prevent contact welding failure, be sure to use a serial resistance for each capacitive load.
8) If snap-action switch operation is synchronized with the AC supply phase, this may cause: shortened electrical life, contact fusion failure, contact transfer, or other reliability problems.

CAUTIONS IN A CIRCUIT

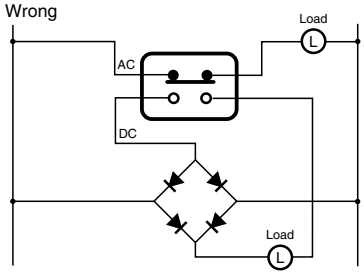
1) Contact protection is recommended when snap-action switches are used in an inductive load circuit.

Circuit diagram	Cautions for use
Contact for snap-action switch 	(1) r = more than 10 Ω (2) In an AC circuit Impedance of R is to be slightly smaller than impedance of r and c.
Contact for snap-action switch 	Can be used for both AC and DC. Impedance of r is nearly equal to impedance of R. C: 0.1 μF
Contact for snap-action switch 	(1) For DC circuits only.
Contact for snap-action switch 	Can be used for both AC and DC.

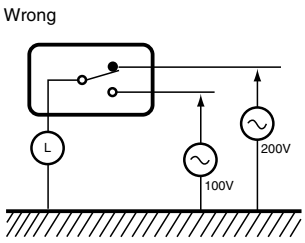
2) Do not connect the contacts on individual switches to different type or different poles of the power supply. Examples of power supply connections (connection to different poles)



Example of wrong power supply connection (connection to different poles of power supply)
This may lead to mixed DC and AC.



3) Avoid circuits which apply voltage between contacts. (This may lead to mixed deposition.)



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MOUNTING STATE AND ENVIRONMENT

■ Checking the insulation distance

After mounting and wiring, check the insulation distance between terminals and the ground. If the insulation distance is inadequate, mount insulating material between as required.

■ Fastening the snap-action switch body

See the Section “CAUTIONS FOR USE” for the individual switch.

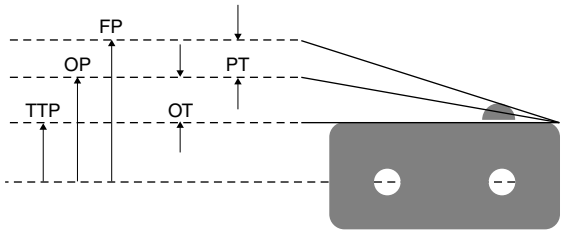
■ Position adjustment with effector

1) The effector should be positioned so that direct force is not applied to the plunger or actuator in its free position. The operating force to the plunger should only be applied in a perpendicular direction.
2) Note that the use of the switch as a stopper may cause an operational problem.

■ Switch installation position

• Basically, the switch should be installed so that the object to press the switch’s plunger or lever can press it down to 70 to 100% of OT of the switch. When determining the position, the tolerance of OP (Operating Position) and other factors should be taken into account.
The following describes the case where the strictest tolerance conditions are adopted.
• Example: Hinge lever type FS switch

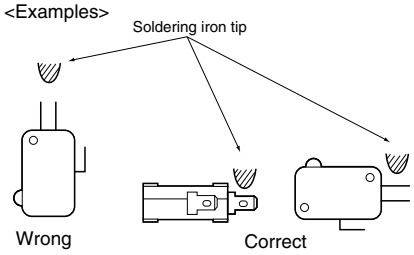
Reference values: OP = 8.8±0.8mm
PT = max. 2.8mm
OT = min. 1.2mm



(1) When the switch is not pressed
The object to press the lever should not be in contact with the lever.
For this purpose, the object should be at a distance from the switch father than the maximum FP (Free Position) value.
FP max = OP max + PT max = 9.6 + 2.8 = 12.4 mm max
The object should be at a distance of 12.4 mm or more from the mounting hole.
(2) Depressed position
The plunger/lever should be pressed down to 70% or more of OT (Over Travel). Therefore, the depressed position should be calculated based on the minimum value of OP (Operating Position) and the 70 and 100% of the OT value.
OP min - 70% of OT = 8.0 - 0.84 = 7.16 mm
OP min - 100% of OT = 8.0 - 1.2 = 6.80 mm
The plunger/lever should be pressed down to the position of 6.80 to 7.16 mm from the mounting hole.

■ Soldering precautions

For manual soldering, lay the terminals flat (horizontal with the ground) and quickly perform the soldering operation using a soldering iron with the appropriate heat capacity and the proper amount of solder. Take care that the flux does not flow into the switch interior by using a ventilation fan to discharge flux gas and to prevent contact of the switch body with the soldering iron tip.
Be careful not to apply force to the lead wires or the terminal portions immediately after soldering.
The temperature setting and time conditions vary depending on the product.
See the section “CAUTIONS FOR USE” for each product.



■ Avoid using in a silicon atmosphere

Avoid using organic silicon rubber, adhesives, sealing compounds, oil, grease, and wires in a silicon atmosphere.

■ Please consult us when using under the following conditions*:

1) Environments where hydrogen sulfide or other corrosive gases are present.
2) Environments where gasoline, thinner or other flammable, explosive gases are present.
3) Dusty environments (for non-seal type snap action switches).
4) The perpendicular operating speed exceeds the allowable operating speed.
5) Switching between different poles.
6) Use in environments not in the prescribed temperature or humidity range.

■ Storage precautions

To prevent discoloration due to sulfurization of the terminals (silver- plated), store the switches in a polyethylene bag or other suitable airtight container.

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■ Usage, storage, and transport conditions (except turquoise switches)

During usage, storage, or transportation, avoid locations subject to direct sunlight and maintain normal temperature, humidity, and pressure conditions.

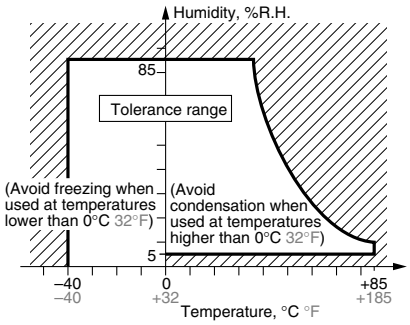
The allowable specifications for environments suitable for usage, storage, and transportation are given below.

1) Temperature: The allowable temperature range differs for each switch, so refer to the switch's individual specifications. In addition, when transporting or storing switches while they are tube packaged, there are cases when the temperature may differ from the allowable range. In this situation, be sure to consult the individual specifications.

2) Humidity: The allowable temperature range differs for each switch, so refer to the switch's individual specifications.

3) Pressure: 86 to 106 kPa

The humidity range varies with the temperature. Use within the range indicated in the graph below.



(The allowable temperature depends on the switch.)

• Condensation will occur inside the switch if there is a sudden change in ambient temperature when used in an atmosphere of high temperature and high humidity. This is particularly likely to happen when being transported by ship, so please be careful of the atmosphere when shipping. Condensation is the phenomenon whereby steam condenses to cause water droplets that adhere to the switch when an atmosphere of high temperature and humidity rapidly changes from a high to low temperature or when the switch is quickly moved from a low humidity location to one of high temperature and humidity. Please be careful because condensation can cause adverse conditions such as deterioration of insulation, coil cutoff, and rust.

• Condensation or other moisture may freeze on the switch when the temperatures is lower than 0°C 32°F. This causes problems such as sticking of movable parts or operational time lags.

• The plastic becomes brittle if the switch is exposed to a low temperature, low humidity environment for long periods of time.

• Storage for extended periods of time (including transportation periods) at high temperatures or high humidity levels or in atmospheres with organic gases or sulfide gases may cause a sulfide film or oxide film to form on the surfaces of the contacts and/or it may interfere with the functions. Check out the atmosphere in which the units are to be stored and transported.

• In terms of the packing format used, make every effort to keep the effects of moisture, organic gases and sulfide gases to the absolute minimum.

■ We reserve the right to modify without notice the materials, internal components, and other parts to improve product quality.

■ Handling precautions

When handling the switches, be careful not to drop them on the floor since this may damage them.

* Select contact sulfurization (clipping) prevention products (FS and Au-clad double layer contacts) for use with extremely small loads or an environment-resistant Turquoise switch.

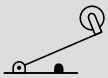
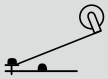
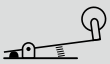
■ Others

1) Failure modes of switches include short-circuiting, open-circuiting and temperature rises. If this switch is to be used in equipment where safety is a prime consideration, examine the possible effects of these failures on the equipment concerned, and ensure safety by providing protection circuits or protection devices. In terms of the systems involved, make provision for redundancy in the design and take steps to achieve safety design.

2) The ambient operating temperature (and humidity) range quoted is the range in which the switch can be operated on a continuous basis: it does not mean that using the switch within the rating guarantees the durability performance and environment withstanding performance of the switch. For details on the performance guarantee, check the specifications of each product concerned.

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■ Types of actuators

Shape	Classification	Pretravel (PT)	Overtravel (OT)	Operating Force (OF)	Vibration Shock	Features	
	Pin plunger	Small	Small	Large	Out-standing	Appropriate for linear short-stroke action. Pin plunger acts directly on snap action mechanism, enabling high-precision positioning. Amount of movement after operation is smallest among all of the actuators, however, so reliable stopper is required.	
	Spring small plunger	Small	Medium	Large	Excellent	Used in much the same way as the pin plunger, but is easier to use because the amount of movement after operation is larger.	
	Spring short plunger	Small	Medium	Large	Good	Pin plunger is short, with large plunger diameter that makes centering easier. Like small spring plunger, amount of movement after operation is large.	
	Panel attachment plunger	Small	Large	Large	Good	Secured to panel with hex or lock nut; used as manual or mechanical plunger. Amount of movement after operation is extremely large and operation point can be adjusted by changing attachment position. Can be used in combination with low-speed cam.	
	Panel attachment roller plunger	Small	Large	Large	Possible	This is the panel attachment type with a roller, and can be used with fast-moving cams and dogs..	
	Hinge lever	Large	Medium	Small	Possible	Little force required for operation. Appropriate for use with low-speed cams and dogs; has large stroke. Lever available in various shapes to fit operating unit.	
	Simulated roller lever	Large	Medium	Small	Possible	Tip of hinge lever is bent into a semi-circle, enabling use as a simple roller type.	
	Leaf lever	Large	Large	Small	Excellent	Play in lever is used to assure maximum stroke. Construction provides for space where lever is attached, for outstanding resistance to freezing.	
	Hinge roller lever	Large	Medium	Small	Possible	This is a hinge lever with a roller, and can be used with high-speed cams and dogs. The force required for pin plunger action is lighter than that of the lever, and the stroke is longer.	
	One way action hinge roller lever	Medium	Medium	Medium	Possible	This is hinge roller lever type, and can operate in relation to an operating unit from a one way direction, but the roller is bent from the opposite direction and cannot move. This can be used to prevent reverse-direction action.	
	Leaf spring	Medium	Medium	Medium	Good	This has a leaf spring with offset yield force and has a large stroke. Ideal for driving low-speed cams and cylinders. Fulcrum is fixed for high precision. To prevent leaf damage, movement after operation must be within specified value.	
	Roller leaf spring	Medium	Medium	Medium	Good	This is a leaf spring with a roller, and can be used with high-speed cams.	
	(OC reversed action groove type) Reverse-action hinge lever	Large	Small	Medium	Excellent	This is used for low-speed, low-torque cams. The lever comes in various shapes to fit the operating body.	The plunger is constantly pressed down by a coiled spring, and operating the lever induces reverse action. Because the plunger is depressed when not engaged, vibration and shock resistance are excellent. Pressing the plunger too far does not cause abnormal force to be applied to the switch mechanism, so a stable service life is assured.
	(OC reversed action groove type) Reverse-action hinge roller lever	Medium	Medium	Medium	Excellent	This is a reverse-action hinge lever with a roller and is appropriate for cam operation. Excellent resistance to vibration and impact when not engaged.	
	(OC reversed action groove type) Reverse-action hinge roller short lever	Small	Medium	Large	Excellent	This is a shorter version of the reverse-action hinge lever with a roller and has a larger action force, but is appropriate for cam operation with a short stroke. Excellent resistance to vibration and impact when not engaged.	

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