



vacuum contactor AC-3e/AC-3 300 A, 160 kW / 400 V, 3-pole, U_c: 23-26 V AC(50-60 Hz) / DC drive: conventional auxiliary contacts 2 NO + 2 NC main circuit: busbar control and auxiliary circuit: screw terminal

product brand name	SIRIUS
product designation	Vacuum contactor
product type designation	3RT12
General technical data	
size of contactor	S10
product extension	
• function module for communication	No
• auxiliary switch	Yes
power loss [W] for rated value of the current	
• at AC in hot operating state	42 W
• at AC in hot operating state per pole	14 W
• without load current share typical	8.2 W
insulation voltage	
• of main circuit with degree of pollution 3 rated value	1 000 V
• of auxiliary circuit with degree of pollution 3 rated value	500 V
surge voltage resistance	
• of main circuit rated value	8 kV
• of auxiliary circuit rated value	6 kV
maximum permissible voltage for protective separation between coil and main contacts according to EN 60947-1	690 V
shock resistance at rectangular impulse	
• at AC	8,5g / 5 ms, 4,2g / 10 ms
• at DC	8,5g / 5 ms, 4,2g / 10 ms
shock resistance with sine pulse	
• at AC	13,4g / 5 ms, 6,5g / 10 ms
• at DC	13,4g / 5 ms, 6,5g / 10 ms
mechanical service life (operating cycles)	
• of contactor typical	10 000 000
• of the contactor with added electronically optimized auxiliary switch block typical	5 000 000
• of the contactor with added auxiliary switch block typical	10 000 000
reference code according to IEC 81346-2	Q
Substance Prohibitation (Date)	05/01/2012
Ambient conditions	
installation altitude at height above sea level maximum	2 000 m
ambient temperature	
• during operation	-25 ... +60 °C
• during storage	-55 ... +80 °C
relative humidity minimum	10 %
relative humidity at 55 °C according to IEC 60068-2-30 maximum	95 %

Main circuit	
number of poles for main current circuit	3
number of NO contacts for main contacts	3
operating voltage	
• at AC-3 rated value maximum	1 000 V
• at AC-3e rated value maximum	1 000 V
operational current	
• at AC-1 at 400 V at ambient temperature 40 °C rated value	330 A
• at AC-1	
— up to 690 V at ambient temperature 40 °C rated value	330 A
— up to 690 V at ambient temperature 60 °C rated value	300 A
— up to 1000 V at ambient temperature 40 °C rated value	330 A
— up to 1000 V at ambient temperature 60 °C rated value	300 A
• at AC-3	
— at 400 V rated value	300 A
— at 500 V rated value	300 A
— at 690 V rated value	300 A
— at 1000 V rated value	300 A
• at AC-3e	
— at 400 V rated value	300 A
— at 500 V rated value	300 A
— at 690 V rated value	300 A
— at 1000 V rated value	300 A
• at AC-4 at 400 V rated value	280 A
• at AC-6a	
— up to 230 V for current peak value n=20 rated value	300 A
— up to 400 V for current peak value n=20 rated value	300 A
— up to 500 V for current peak value n=20 rated value	300 A
— up to 690 V for current peak value n=20 rated value	300 A
— up to 1000 V for current peak value n=20 rated value	300 A
• at AC-6a	
— up to 230 V for current peak value n=30 rated value	209 A
— up to 400 V for current peak value n=30 rated value	209 A
— up to 500 V for current peak value n=30 rated value	209 A
— up to 690 V for current peak value n=30 rated value	209 A
— up to 1000 V for current peak value n=30 rated value	209 A
minimum cross-section in main circuit at maximum AC-1 rated value	185 mm²
operational current for approx. 200000 operating cycles at AC-4	
• at 400 V rated value	140 A
• at 690 V rated value	140 A
operating power	
• at AC-3	
— at 230 V rated value	90 kW
— at 400 V rated value	160 kW
— at 500 V rated value	200 kW
— at 690 V rated value	250 kW
— at 1000 V rated value	400 kW
• at AC-3e	
— at 230 V rated value	90 kW
— at 400 V rated value	160 kW
— at 500 V rated value	200 kW
— at 690 V rated value	250 kW
— at 1000 V rated value	400 kW
operating power for approx. 200000 operating cycles at AC-4	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at 400 V rated value • at 690 V rated value 	79 kW 138 kW
operating apparent power at AC-6a <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • up to 230 V for current peak value n=20 rated value • up to 400 V for current peak value n=20 rated value • up to 500 V for current peak value n=20 rated value • up to 690 V for current peak value n=20 rated value • up to 1000 V for current peak value n=20 rated value 	120 000 kVA 200 000 VA 260 000 VA 350 000 VA 520 000 VA
operating apparent power at AC-6a <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • up to 230 V for current peak value n=30 rated value • up to 400 V for current peak value n=30 rated value • up to 500 V for current peak value n=30 rated value • up to 690 V for current peak value n=30 rated value • up to 1000 V for current peak value n=30 rated value 	80 000 VA 140 000 VA 180 000 VA 250 000 VA 360 000 VA
no-load switching frequency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at AC • at DC 	2 000 1/h 2 000 1/h
operating frequency <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at AC-1 maximum • at AC-2 maximum • at AC-3 maximum • at AC-3e maximum • at AC-4 maximum 	750 1/h 250 1/h 750 1/h 750 1/h 250 1/h
Control circuit/ Control	
type of voltage of the control supply voltage	AC/DC
control supply voltage at AC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at 50 Hz rated value • at 60 Hz rated value 	23 ... 26 V 23 ... 26 V
control supply voltage at DC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • rated value 	23 ... 26 V
operating range factor control supply voltage rated value of magnet coil at DC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • initial value • full-scale value 	0.8 1.1
operating range factor control supply voltage rated value of magnet coil at AC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at 50 Hz • at 60 Hz 	0.8 ... 1.1 0.8 ... 1.1
design of the surge suppressor	with varistor
apparent pick-up power of magnet coil at AC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at 50 Hz • at 60 Hz 	590 VA 590 VA
inductive power factor with closing power of the coil <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at 50 Hz • at 60 Hz 	0.9 0.9
apparent holding power of magnet coil at AC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at 50 Hz • at 60 Hz 	6.1 VA 6.1 VA
inductive power factor with the holding power of the coil <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at 50 Hz • at 60 Hz 	0.9 0.9
closing power of magnet coil at DC	700 W
holding power of magnet coil at DC	8.2 W
closing delay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at AC • at DC 	30 ... 95 ms 30 ... 95 ms
opening delay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at AC • at DC 	40 ... 80 ms 40 ... 80 ms
arcing time	10 ... 15 ms
control version of the switch operating mechanism	Standard A1 - A2

Auxiliary circuit	
number of NC contacts for auxiliary contacts instantaneous contact	2
number of NO contacts for auxiliary contacts instantaneous contact	2
operational current at AC-12 maximum	10 A
operational current at AC-15	
• at 230 V rated value	6 A
• at 400 V rated value	3 A
• at 500 V rated value	2 A
• at 690 V rated value	1 A
operational current at DC-12	
• at 24 V rated value	10 A
• at 48 V rated value	6 A
• at 60 V rated value	6 A
• at 110 V rated value	3 A
• at 125 V rated value	2 A
• at 220 V rated value	1 A
• at 600 V rated value	0.15 A
operational current at DC-13	
• at 24 V rated value	10 A
• at 48 V rated value	2 A
• at 60 V rated value	2 A
• at 110 V rated value	1 A
• at 125 V rated value	0.9 A
• at 220 V rated value	0.3 A
• at 600 V rated value	0.1 A
contact reliability of auxiliary contacts	1 faulty switching per 100 million (17 V, 1 mA)
UL/CSA ratings	
full-load current (FLA) for 3-phase AC motor	
• at 480 V rated value	302 A
• at 600 V rated value	289 A
yielded mechanical performance [hp]	
• for 3-phase AC motor	
— at 200/208 V rated value	100 hp
— at 220/230 V rated value	125 hp
— at 460/480 V rated value	250 hp
— at 575/600 V rated value	300 hp
contact rating of auxiliary contacts according to UL	A600 / Q600
Short-circuit protection	
design of the fuse link	
• for short-circuit protection of the main circuit	
— with type of coordination 1 required	gG: 500 A (690 V, 100 kA)
— with type of assignment 2 required	gG: 500 A (690 V, 100 kA), aM: 400 A (690 V, 50 kA), BS88: 450 A (415 V, 50 kA)
• for short-circuit protection of the auxiliary switch required	gG: 10 A (500 V, 1 kA)
Installation/ mounting/ dimensions	
mounting position	+/-22.5° rotation possible on vertical mounting surface; can be tilted forward and backward by +/- 22.5° on vertical mounting surface; standing, on horizontal mounting surface
fastening method	screw fixing
• side-by-side mounting	Yes
height	210 mm
width	145 mm
depth	206 mm
required spacing	
• with side-by-side mounting	
— forwards	20 mm
— upwards	10 mm
— downwards	10 mm
— at the side	0 mm
• for grounded parts	

— forwards	20 mm
— upwards	10 mm
— at the side	10 mm
— downwards	10 mm
• for live parts	
— forwards	20 mm
— upwards	10 mm
— downwards	10 mm
— at the side	10 mm

Connections/ Terminals

type of electrical connection	
• for main current circuit	Connection bar
• for auxiliary and control circuit	screw-type terminals
• at contactor for auxiliary contacts	Screw-type terminals
• of magnet coil	Screw-type terminals
width of connection bar	25 mm
thickness of connection bar	6 mm
diameter of holes	11 mm
number of holes	1
connectable conductor cross-section for main contacts	
• stranded	70 ... 240 mm ²
connectable conductor cross-section for auxiliary contacts	
• solid or stranded	0.5 ... 4 mm ²
• finely stranded with core end processing	0.5 ... 2.5 mm ²
type of connectable conductor cross-sections	
• for auxiliary contacts	
— solid	2x (0.5 ... 1.5 mm ²), 2x (0.75 ... 2.5 mm ²), max. 2x (0.75 ... 4 mm ²)
— solid or stranded	2x (0.5 ... 1.5 mm ²), 2x (0.75 ... 2.5 mm ²), max. 2x (0.75 ... 4 mm ²)
— finely stranded with core end processing	2x (0.5 ... 1.5 mm ²), 2x (0.75 ... 2.5 mm ²)
• for AWG cables for auxiliary contacts	2x (20 ... 16), 2x (18 ... 14), 1x 12
AWG number as coded connectable conductor cross section	
• for auxiliary contacts	18 ... 14

Safety related data

product function	
• mirror contact according to IEC 60947-4-1	Yes
• positively driven operation according to IEC 60947-5-1	No
T1 value for proof test interval or service life according to IEC 61508	20 a
protection class IP on the front according to IEC 60529	IP00; IP20 with box terminal/cover
touch protection on the front according to IEC 60529	finger-safe, for vertical contact from the front with box terminal/cover
suitability for use	
• safety-related switching OFF	Yes

Certificates/ approvals

General Product Approval



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<https://press.siemens.com/global/en/pressrelease/siemens-wind-down-russian-business>

Siemens is working on the renewal of the current EAC certificates.

Please contact your local Siemens office on the status of validity of the EAC certification if you intend to import or offer to supply these products to an EAC relevant market (other than the sanctioned EAEU member states Russia or Belarus).

Information on the packaging

<https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/view/109813875>

Information- and Downloadcenter (Catalogs, Brochures,...)

<https://www.siemens.com/ic10>

Industry Mall (Online ordering system)

<https://mall.industry.siemens.com/mall/en/en/Catalog/product?mlfb=3RT1266-6AB36>

Cax online generator

<http://support.automation.siemens.com/WW/CAXorder/default.aspx?lang=en&mlfb=3RT1266-6AB36>

Service&Support (Manuals, Certificates, Characteristics, FAQs,...)

<https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ps/3RT1266-6AB36>

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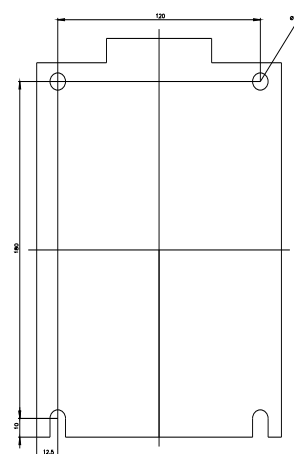
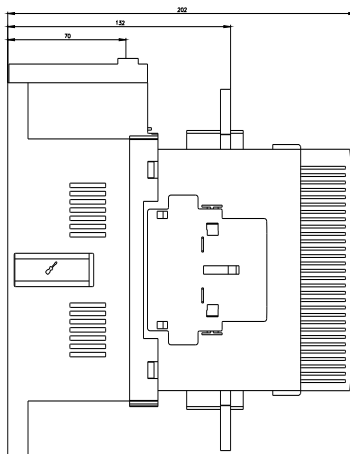
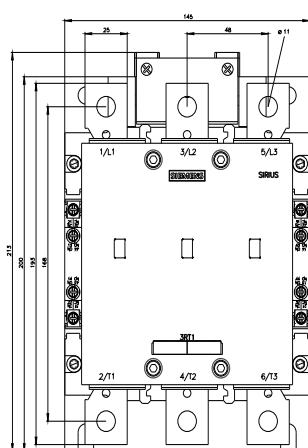
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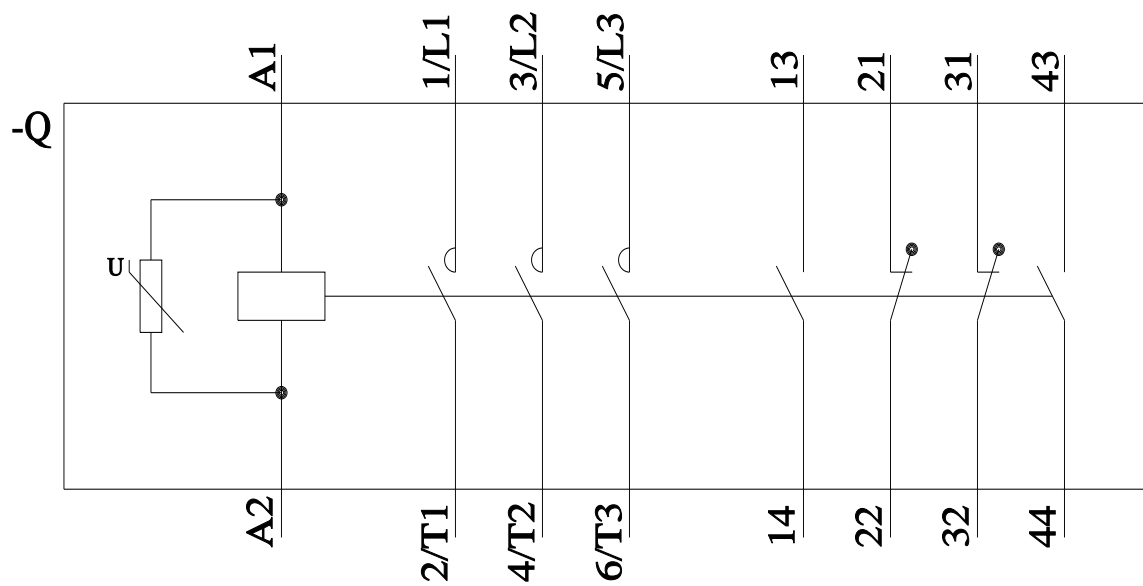
Characteristic: Tripping characteristics, I²t, Let-through current

<https://support.industry.siemens.com/cs/ww/en/ps/3RT1266-6AB36/char>

Further characteristics (e.g. electrical endurance, switching frequency)

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