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Power Metal Strip® Surface-Mount Current Sensing Resistors



INTRODUCTION

Vishay's Power Metal Strip current sensing resistors combine superior performance in high temperature applications with a wide range of package sizes and a choice of resistance values from 0.0002 Ω to 1 Ω . These patented, state of the art products deliver overload capabilities equivalent to wirewound devices and temperature coefficients as low as 30 ppm/°C.

Current sensing Power Metal Strip resistors allow control circuitry to monitor the level of current in a circuit by translating current into a voltage that can be monitored easily. The devices work by resisting the current flow in a circuit to a calibrated level, thus allowing a voltage drop to be detected and monitored by control circuitry. The low resistance values of Power Metal Strip resistors allow this function to be carried out with exceptional efficiency.

RESOURCES

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Global Model	Power Rating	Resistance Range (Ω)	TCR (ppm/°C)	Tolerance	Dimensions	Applications
WSL0603	0.1 W	0.01 to 0.1	± 75	0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.060 in (1.52 mm) W = 0.030 in (0.76 mm) H = 0.013 in (0.33 mm)	
WSL0805	0.125 W	0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.2	± 110 ± 75	0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.080 in (2.03 mm) W = 0.050 in (1.27 mm) H = 0.013 in (0.33 mm)	Cell phone battery fuel gages Disk drive motor controls DC/DC converters in cell phones, pagers
WSL0603-18	0.2 W	0.01 to 0.1	± 75	0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.060 in (1.52 mm) W = 0.030 in (0.76 mm) H = 0.013 in (0.33 mm)	
WSK1206	0.25 W	0.01 to 0.05	± 75	0.1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.126 in (3.20 mm) W = 0.063 in (1.60 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.635 mm)	
WSL0805-18	0.25 W	0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.2	± 110 ± 75	0.1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.080 in (2.03 mm) W = 0.050 in (1.27 mm) H = 0.013 in (0.33 mm)	
WSL1206	0.25 W	0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.2	± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.126 in (3.20 mm) W = 0.063 in (1.60 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	
WSLP0603	0.4 W	0.01 to 0.1	± 75	0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.060 in (1.52 mm) W = 0.030 in (0.76 mm) H = 0.013 in (0.33 mm	
WSK1206-18	0.5 W	0.01 to 0.05	± 75	0.1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.126 in (3.20 mm) W = 0.063 in (1.60 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.635 mm)	Li-ion battery management DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks PCs Disk drive motor controls Automotive controls for body and powertrain
WSL1206-18	0.5 W	0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.2	± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.126 in (3.20 mm) W = 0.063 in (1.60 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	
WSL2010	0.5 W	0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.5	± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.200 in (5.08 mm) W = 0.100 in (2.54 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	
WSLP0805	0.5 W	0.01 to 0.05	± 75	0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.080 in (2.03 mm) W = 0.050 in (1.27 mm) H = 0.013 in (0.33 mm)	
WSK0612	1.0 W	0.0005, 0.00075, 0.0008 0.001 0.002 0.003, 0.004, 0.005	± 600 ± 275 ± 225 ± 150	1 %	L = 0.060 in (1.50 mm) W = 0.120 in (3.05 mm) H = 0.015 in (0.38 mm)	
WSKW	1.0 W	0.001, 0.002 0.003	± 150 ± 75	1 %	L = 0.060 in (1.50 mm) W = 0.120 in (3.05 mm) H = 0.015 in (0.38 mm)	
WSL0612	1.0 W	0.001 to 0.003	-275 -225 -150	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.120 in (3.05 mm) W = 0.060 in (1.50 mm) H = 0.015 in (0.381 mm)	
WSLP1206	1.0 W	0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.05	± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.126 in (3.20 mm) W = 0.063 in (1.60 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	
WSLP0805-18	1.0 W	0.005 to 0.01	± 110 ± 75	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.080 in (2.03 mm) W = 0.050 in (1.27 mm) H = 0.013 in (0.330 mm)	
WSL2010-18	1.0 W	0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.5	± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.200 in (5.08 mm) W = 0.100 in (2.54 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	



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WSL2512	1.0 W	0.0005 to 0.00099 0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.5	± 400 ± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.250 in (6.35 mm) W = 0.125 in (3.18 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	Li-ion battery management DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks PCs Disk drive motor controls Automotive controls for body and powertrain
WSLT2010-18	1.0 W	0.01 to 0.5	± 75	0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.200 in (5.08 mm) W = 0.100 in (2.54 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	High temperature (+275 °C) Automotive controls for body and powertrain Down-hole oil well monitoring / testing
WSLT2512	1.0 W	0.01 to 0.5	± 75	0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.250 in (6.35 mm) W = 0.125 in (3.18 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	
WSK2512	1.0 W	0.0005 to 0.00099 0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.2	± 350 ± 250 ± 75 ± 35	1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.250 in (6.35 mm) W = 0.125 in (3.18 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Instrumentation
WSR2	2.0 W	0.001 to 0.0019 0.002 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0039 0.004 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0099 0.01 to 1.0	± 750 ± 600 ± 450 ± 300 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.455 in (11.56 mm) W = 0.275 in (6.98 mm) H = 0.095 in (2.41 mm)	DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Instrumentation Automotive controls for body and powertrain
WSL1020	2.0 W	0.001 to 0.006	± 175	0.5 %, 1 %, 5 %	L = 0.200 in (5.08 mm) W = 0.060 in (1.50 mm) H = 0.015 in (0.381 mm)	Li-ion battery management DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks PCs Disk drive motor controls Automotive controls for body and powertrain
WSLP2010	2.0 W	0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.01	± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.200 in (5.08 mm) W = 0.100 in (2.54 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.635 mm)	Li-ion battery management DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Automotive controls for body and powertrain
WSL2512-18	2.0 W	0.0005 to 0.00099 0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.04	± 400 ± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.250 in (6.35 mm) W = 0.125 in (3.18 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	Li-ion battery management DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Automotive controls for body and powertrain
WSL2816	2.0 W	0.002 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.1	± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.280 in (7.10 mm) W = 0.165 in (4.20 mm) H = 0.020 in (0.50 mm)	
WSK1216	3.0 W	0.001	< ± 50	1 %	L = 0.150 in (3.81 mm) W = 0.122 in (3.10 mm) H = 0.075 in (1.9 mm)	Li-ion battery management Automotive controls for body and powertrain Brushless DC motor controls Inverter controls for HVAC, white goods
WSLP2512	3.0 W	0.0005 to 0.00099 0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0069 0.007 to 0.01	± 400 ± 275 ± 150 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.250 in (6.35 mm) W = 0.125 in (3.18 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.635 mm)	Li-ion battery management DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks PCs Disk drive motor controls Automotive controls for body and powertrain
WSL2726	3.0 W	0.0003, 0.0005, 0.001 0.002, 0.003 0.004, 0.005	± 75	1 %	L = 0.272 in (6.9 mm) W = 0.260 in (6.6 mm) H = 0.117 in (3.0 mm)	DC/DC converter in switching power supplies
WSL4026	3.0 W	0.0003, 0.0005, 0.001 0.002, 0.003 0.004, 0.005	± 75	1 %	L= 0.400 in (10.1 mm) W = 0.260 in (6.6 mm) H = 0.117 in (3.0 mm)	Instrumentation Automotive controls for EHPS / EPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors



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WSL3637	3.0 W	0.001 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.01	± 75 ± 50	0.5 %, 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.360 in (9.14 mm) W = 0.370 in (9.40 mm) H = 0.025 in (0.64 mm)	DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Automotive controls for EHPS / EPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors
WSL3921	3.0 W	0.0003, 0.0005, 0.001 0.002, 0.003, 0.004	± 175 ± 75	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.394 in (10.0 mm) W = 0.205 in (5.20 mm) H = 0.020 in (0.50 mm)	
WSLT3921	3.0 W	0.0005 0.001, 0.002, 0.003, 0.004	± 175 ± 75	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.394 in (10.0 mm) W = 0.205 in (5.20 mm) H = 0.020 in (0.50 mm)	High temperature (+275 °C) Automotive controls for EHPS / EPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors Down-hole oil well monitoring / testing
WSR3	3.0 W	0.001 to 0.0019 0.002 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0039 0.004 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0099 0.01 to 0.2	± 750 ± 600 ± 450 ± 300 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.455 in (11.56 mm) W = 0.275 in (6.98 mm) H = 0.095 in (2.41 mm)	DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Instrumentation Automotive controls for body and powertrain
WSLT2726	3.0 W	0.002, 0.003 0.004, 0.005	± 75	1 %	L = 0.272 in (6.9 mm) W = 0.260 in (6.6 mm) H = 0.117 in (3.0 mm)	High temperature (+275 °C) DC/DC converter in switching power supplies Instrumentation Automotive controls for EHPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors
WSLT4026	3.0 W	0.002, 0.003 0.004, 0.005	± 75	1 %	L= 0.400 in (10.1 mm) W = 0.260 in (6.6 mm) H = 0.117 in (3.0 mm)	
WSL5931	5.0 W	0.0002 0.0003, 0.0005 0.001, 0.002, 0.003	± 225 ± 175 ± 75	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.591 in. (15.0 mm) W = 0.305 in. (7.75 mm) H = 0.020 in. (0.50 mm)	DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Automotive controls for EHPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors
WSLT5931	5.0 W	0.0003, 0.0005 0.001, 0.002 0.003	± 175 ± 75	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.591 in (15.0 mm) W = 0.305 in (7.75 mm) H = 0.020 in (0.50 mm)	High temperature (+275 °C) Automotive controls for EHPS / EPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors Down-hole oil well monitoring / testing
WSR5	5.0 W	0.001 to 0.0019 0.002 to 0.0029 0.003 to 0.0039 0.004 to 0.0049 0.005 to 0.0099 0.01 to 0.3	± 750 ± 600 ± 450 ± 300 ± 110 ± 75	1 % 1 % 1 % 1 % 1 % 0.5 %, 1 %	L = 0.455 in (11.56 mm) W = 0.275 in (6.98 mm) H = 0.095 in (2.41 mm)	DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Instrumentation Automotive controls for body and powertrain
WSLF2512	6.0 W	0.0003 to 0.0005 0.001 to 0.002 0.003	< ± 200 < ± 170 < ± 70	1 %	L = 0.250 in (6.35 mm) W = 0.125 in (3.18 mm) H = 0.038 in (0.35 mm)	Li-ion battery management Automotive controls for body and powertrain Brushless DC motor controls Inverter controls for HVAC, white goods
WSHM2818	7.0 W	0.001 to 0.00599 0.006 to 0.1	± 200 ± 75	1.0 %, 5.0 %	L = 0.280 in (7.10 mm) W = 0.180 in (4.60 mm) H = 0.059 in (1.50 mm) max.	DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Automotive controls for EHPS / EPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors



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WSLP3921	5.0 W 9.0 W	0.002, 0.003, 0.004 0.0002, 0.0003, 0.0005, 0.001	± 175 ± 75 ± 75	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.394 in (10.0 mm) W = 0.205 in (5.20 mm) H = 0.020 in (0.50 mm)	DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs
WSLP5931	7.0 W 10.0 W	0.001, 0.002, 0.003 0.0002, 0.0003, 0.0005	± 175 ± 75	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.591 in (15.0 mm) W = 0.305 in (7.75 mm) H = 0.020 in (0.50 mm)	Automotive controls for EHPS / EPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors
WSLP2726	5.0 W 7.0 W	0.002 0.0005, 0.001	± 75	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.272 in (6.9 mm) W = 0.260 in (6.6 mm) H = 0.117 in (3.0 mm)	DC/DC converter in switching power supplies
WSLP4026	5.0 W 7.0 W	0.002 0.0005, 0.001	± 75	1 %, 5 %	L = 0.400 in (10.1 mm) W = 0.260 in (6.6 mm) H = 0.117 in (3.0 mm)	Instrumentation Automotive controls for EHPS / EPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors
WSHP	10.0 W	0.001 to 0.00599 0.006 to 0.1	± 200 ± 75	1.0 %, 5.0 %	L = 0.280 in (7.10 mm) W = 0.180 in (4.60 mm) H = 0.059 in (1.50 mm) max.	DC/DC converters in switching power supplies VRMs in notebooks, desktop PCs Automotive controls for EHPS / EPS / EPAS and brushless DC motors

Applications

Industrial

- Power supplies
- Power tools
- Bar code scanners
- HVAC
- Other current detection

Consumer Goods

- Home electronics
- White goods
- Gaming systems
- Lighting controls
- Video cameras
- Television

Automotive

- Engine controls
- Anti-lock brakes
- Airbag

Automotive

- Traction controls
- Multimedia
- · Climate controls
- Electronic power steering
- Electric / hybrid vehicles

Medical and Instrumentation

- Monitoring systems
- Defibrillators
- Implantables
- Electronic scales
- Diagnostic equipment

Telecom

- Cell phones
- Modems
- Pagers

Telecom

- Base stations
- Bluetooth
- Switching circuits

Military and Aerospace

- Guidance systems
- Satellites
- Missiles
- Surveillance equipment

Computer

- DC/DC converter
- Disk drives
- Power supplies
- Graphic cards
- PCMCIA
- Li-ion battery management

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Technical Information

Very Low Ohmic Value (0.2 m Ω to 1 Ω)

To maximize energy conversion efficiency and minimize power consumption, current sense resistors should be of the lowest resistance value possible (typically below 25 mΩ). The single Power Metal Strip resistor can achieve the same low ohmic values for which four to six conventional cermet chips or two or more conventional thin film chips are required.

Tight Tolerance (1 % Standard, 0.5 % and 0.1 % Available)

For maximizing the sensing performance and saving energy, the tolerance of the sense resistor must be ± 1 % or tighter. A 1 % tolerance allows designers to use a narrow resistance window when specifying sensing voltages. Another advantage of a 1 % or better tolerance is reduced response time to switching currents. The chart to the right shows that it takes a comparable thick film resistor almost three times longer than the Power Metal Strip to stabilize it's sensing voltage.

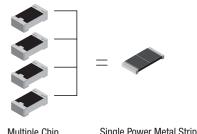
High Temperature Capability (Up to +275 °C)

When used in industrial and automotive applications, components may be exposed to high temperatures. The current sensing resistor must be capable of operating in high temperature conditions with a minimal reduction (derating) of rated power. The Vishay Dale WSL (maximum temperature of 170 °C) and WSLT / WSR (maximum temperature of 275 °C) type resistors will withstand high temperatures much better than cermet chips. The chart to the right provides a high temperature comparison for these device types.

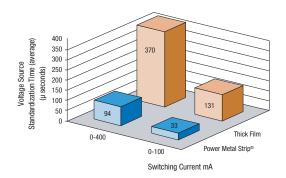
Low Temperature Coefficient of Resistance (TCR) (Down to 30 ppm/°C)

The low TCR of Vishay Power Metal Strip resistors minimizes the resistance change caused by self heating and high temperature environments.

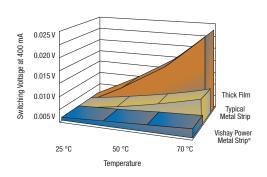
This chart illustrates the voltage of a 30 ppm/°C Vishay Power Metal Strip resistor compared to a typical 100 ppm/°C metal strip and 700 ppm/°C thick film chip.



Multiple Chip Single Power Metal Strip®



Power Metal Strip® High-Temperature Capability 100 90 80 70 WSLT & WSR 60 50 40 30 20 10 75 100 125 150 175 200 225 250 275 Temperature °C





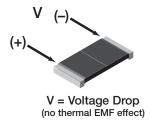
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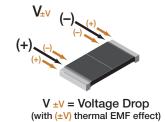
Low Thermal EMF (Below 3 μV/°C)

Dissimilar metals, in contact with each other, produce a small voltage. This voltage varies with temperature and is therefore called a "thermal EMF" or "thermocouple effect." The rate of change of voltage with temperature from an intermetallic junction is a function of the metallic combination and the polarity of the voltage produced. Virtually all resistors have intermetallic combinations and it is presumed they will eventually be connected to copper as a final intermetallic junction (circuit trace). Hence, copper is the typical reference metal.

Thermal EMF is an important consideration in low-value resistors used in DC circuits. Thermal EMF can be large enough, when compared to the expected signal, that it can result in significant sensing errors. Vishay's Power Metal Strip current sensing resistors utilize resistance materials that have low thermal EMF characteristics (below $3 \mu V/^{\circ}C$).

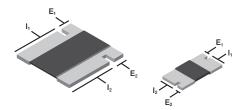
Metal Alloy	Thermal EMF vs. Copper µV/°C
Evanohm	+2
Cupron	-45
Manganin	-3
Zeranin	-1.3
Nickel	-22
Gold	+0.2
Silver	-0.2
Aluminum	-4
Aluminum	-4





Terminal Construction

At resistance levels down to 1 m Ω and tolerances of 1 % or larger, a two-terminal construction is typically acceptable. Where better accuracy is required, Vishay recommends the use of the four-terminal type such as the WSK0612, WSK1206, WSK2512, WSL2726, WSL3637, or WSL4026. The four-terminal construction reduces terminal resistance, copper terminal TCR, and solder joint TCR.



(E₁ & E₂ Voltage Connections, I₁ & I₂ Current Connections)

High Current Capability (More Than 220 A)

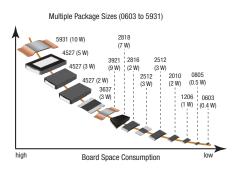
The maximum DC load current required by today's applications is in excess of 200 A. Vishay's Power Metal Strip current sensing resistors utilize solid metal resistance elements, which are capable of handling the highest load currents.



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Multiple Package Sizes (0603 to 5931)

Vishay's Power Metal Strip resistors are available in more than 10 package sizes. Multiple package sizes give the customer the ability to minimize PCB space by utilizing a smaller component or lessen resistor temperature by utilizing a larger component for their current sense applications.



High Power Density (Up to 222 W/in²)

Vishay's Power Metal Strip resistors have evolved to "High Power" WSL...-18, WSLP, WSR3, WSR5, and WSHM2818 type resistors. With the higher power capacity of the standard WSL and WSR2 type resistor series, the WSL...-18, WSLP, WSR3, WSR5, and WSHM2818 series are intended for high power, current sensing applications. Specially selected materials and processing permit these high power ratings of up to 10 W. The WSL...-18, WSLP, WSR3, WSR5, and WSHM2818 resistors offer a high power to package size ratio while maintaining superior electrical characteristics. These high power ratings enable designers to use smaller PCBs, which in turn increases manufacturing speed and reduces raw material costs.

