

Heavy-Current Capacitors

Application Note

How to Select an DCMKP Capacitor

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INTRODUCTION

This application note shows in a four-step approach how somebody can select the most suitable capacitor from the DCMKP series for their application.

STEP 1

First, a Request for Power Electronic Capacitors needs to be filled out by the customer; orange blocks are mandatory, yellow ones are optional.

Request for Power Electronic Capacitors (Example and Extract)

RFQ FOR PECS	EXAMPLE / UNIT	CUSTOMER INPUT	
PROJECT	Name	хух	
APPLICATION	AC/DC, filter etc.	DC link	(1)
ENVIRONMENTAL	Humidity, sea water, altitude		
OUTLINE	Rectangular / tubular	Tubular	(2)
QUANTITY	pcs, pcs/a		
APPLICABLE STANDARDS	IEC 61071, IEC 61881-1	IEC 61071	(5)
TECHNOLOGY	All film, metalized PP, etc.	Metalized PP	(4)
IMPREGNATION AGENT	Dry resin, castor oil, synthetic oil	Dry	(3)
RATED CAPACITANCE	μF	160 μF	(8)
CAPACITOR TOLERANCE	± %	± 5 %	
RATED AC VOLTAGE	V _{AC}		
RATED DC VOLTAGE	V _{DC}	2000 V _{DC}	(6)
RIPPLE VOLTAGE	V _{pp}	200 V _{pp}	(7)
RATED FREQUENCY (AC)	Hz		
RIPPLE FREQUENCY (DC)	Hz		
MAX. PEAK CURRENT (I)	kA		
MAX. RMS CURRENT (I _{MAX.})	A _{RMS}	20 A _{RMS}	(9)

STEP 2

With the customer input in the example above, we can see that it is a DC-link application (1) with a tubular outline (2), making the DCMKP series applicable.

The DCMKP series features dry (3) and metalized PP (4) technology. The devices' design is based on the IEC 61071 o IEC 61881-1 standard (5).

STEP 3

Taking all the specified electrical features into consideration, in particular the DC voltage U_{NDC} (6) including the ripple peak (7), the requested capacitance C_n (8), and the continuous maximum RMS current $I_{max.}$ (9), we can already select the most suitable capacitor from the DCMKP datasheet table (extract):

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									(11)		(12)			
	TYPE DESCRIPTION													
	TYPE DCMKPIBR	C _N (µF)	U _{NDC} (V _{DC})	R _S (mΩ)	R _{th} (K/W)	I _{max.} (A)	Î (kA)	Î _S (kA)	H (mm)	DIA. (mm)	MOQ / PU (pcs)	DRAWING NO.		
	DCMKP 2.0, U _{NDC} = 2000 V													
	2.0-35	35	2000	6.8	10.7	16	0.3	0.9	105	64	9	1		
	2.0-50	50	2000	9.1	8.5	17	0.3	0.9	130	64	9	1		
	2.0-70	70	2000	3.6	8.8	25	0.6	1.8	105	84.4	4	1		
	2.0-85	85	2000	13.9	5.6	17	0.3	1.0	185	64	9	1		
	2.0-110	110	2000	4.8	7	26	0.6	1.9	130	84.4	4	1		
)	2.0-160	160	2000	7.6	5.7	23	0.6	1.9	185	84.4	4	1		
	2.0-310	310	2000	4.3	3.9	38	1.2	3.5	185	116	4	1		

STEP 4

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The required specs in this example lead to the yellow-marked DCMKP 2.0-160 IBR type of capacitor (10). In addition to other electrical parameters, you can find the mechanical dimensions for the height H = 185 mm and the diameter DIA. = 84.4 mm (11). The Minimum Order Quantity (MOQ) is same as the Packing Unit (PU) and indicates almost 4 pcs (12).