Multilayer Power Inductors Type: ELGTEA, ELGUEB

# **Handling Precautions**

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- Do not use the products beyond the descriptions in this product catalog.
- This product catalog guarantees the quality of the products as individual components. Before you use the products, please make sure to check and evaluate the products in the circumstance where they are installed in your product.

# Safety Precautions

Multilayer Power Inductors (hereafter referred to as "Inductors") should be used for general purpose applications in consumer electronics (audio/visual, home, office, information & communication) equipment. When subjected to severe electrical, environmental, and/or mechanical stress beyond the specifications, as noted in the Ratings and Specified Conditions section, the Inductors may fail in a short circuit mode or in an open-circuit mode.

This case results in a burn-out, smoke or flaming.

For products which require high safety levels, please carefully consider how a single malfunction can affect your product. In order to ensure the safety in the case of a single malfunction, please design products with fail-safe, such as setting up protecting circuits, etc.

- For the following applications and conditions, please contact us for additional specifications not found in this document.
  - When your application may have difficulty complying with the safety or handling precautions specified below.
  - For any applications where a malfunction with this product may directly or indirectly cause hazardous conditions which could result in death or injury;
  - ① Aircraft and Aerospace Equipment (artificial satellite, rocket, etc.)
  - ② Submarine Equipment (submarine repeating equipment, etc.)
  - ③ Transportation Equipment (motor vehicles, airplanes, trains, ship, traffic signal controllers, etc.)
  - ④ Power Generation Control Equipment (atomic power, hydroelectric power, thermal power plant control system, etc.)
  - Medical Equipment (life-support equipment, pacemakers, dialysis controllers, etc.)
  - 6 Information Processing Equipment (large scale computer systems, etc.)
  - ⑦ Electric Heating Appliances, Combustion devices (gas fan heaters, oil fan heaters, etc.)
  - 8 Rotary Motion Equipment
  - 9 Security Systems
  - 1 And any similar types of equipment

# Strict Observance

# 1. Confirmation of Rated Performance

The Inductors shall be operated within the specified rating/performance.

Applications exceeding the specifications may cause deteriorated performance and/or breakdown, resulting in degradation and/or smoking or ignition of products. The following are strictly observed.

(1) The Inductors should be use within the specified operating temperature range including self-fever.

(2) The electricity electric current of the inductor should be use in less than rated current.

# 2. The Inductors shall not be mounted near flammables.

# 3. The Inductors shall not be bring a magnet and the thing which became magnetized close.

## **Operating Conditions and Circuit Design**

#### 1. Circuit Design

#### **1.1 Operating Temperature and Storage Temperature**

The specified "Operating Temperature Range" found in the Specification is the absolute maximum and minimum temperature rating. Every Inductor shall be operated within the specified "Operating Temperature Range". The Inductors mounted on PWB shall be stored without operating within the specified "Storage Temperature Range" in the Specifications.

#### **1.2 Operating Current**

The Inductors shall not be operated in excess of the "Rated current". If the Inductors are operated beyond the specified "Rated current", it may cause short and/or damage due to thermal run away. When high frequency and steep pulse current are continuously used, even when less than the "Rated current", in a circuit, please examine the reliability of the Inductor while also checking the safety and reliability of your circuit. Check safety and reliability in your circuit.

#### 1.3 Self-heating

The surface temperature of the Inductors shall be under the specified Maximum Operating Temperature in the Specifications including the temperature rise cause by self-heating. Check temperature rise of the Inductors in your circuit.

#### **1.4 Environmental Restrictions**

The Inductors shall not be operated and/or stored under the following conditions.

- (1) Environmental conditions
  - (a) Under direct exposure to water or salt water
  - (b) Under conditions where water can condense and/or dew can form
- (c) Under conditions containing corrosive gases such as hydrogen sulfide, sulfurous acid, chlorine and ammonia (2) Mechanical conditions
- Under severe conditions of vibration or impact beyond the specified conditions found in the Specifications.

# 2. Design of Printed Circuit Board

#### 2.1 Selection of Printed Circuit Boards

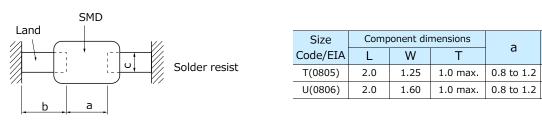
When the Inductors are mounted and soldered on an "Alumina Substrate", the substrate influences the Inductors' reliability against "Temperature Cycles" and "Heat shock" due to the difference in the thermal expansion coefficient between them.

Confirm that the actual board used does not deteriorate the characteristics of the Inductors.

#### 2.2 Design of Land Pattern

1) Recommended land dimensions are shown below. Use the proper amount of solder in order to prevent cracking. Using too much solder places excessive stress on the Inductors.

Recommended Land Dimensions(Ex.)



Unit (mm)

0.6 to 1.1 1.1 to 1.3

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1.2 to 1.4

b

0.6 to 1.1

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(2) The land size shall be designed to have equal space, on both right and left side. If the amount of solder on the right land is different from that of the left land, the component may be cracked by stress since the side with a larger amount of solder solidifies later during cooling.



#### 2.3 Utilization of Solder Resist

- (1) Solder resist shall be utilized to equalize the amounts of solder on both sides.
- (2) Solder resist shall be used to divide the pattern for the following cases;
  - Components are arranged closely.
  - The Inductors is mounted near a component with lead wires.
  - The Inductors is placed near a chassis.

See the table right.

Prohibited Applications and Recommended Applications			
Item	Prohibited applications	Improved applications by pattern division	
Mixed mounting with a component with lead wires	The lead wire of a Component With lead wires	Solder resist	
Arrangement near chassis	Chassis Solder(ground solder) Electrode pattern	Solder resist	
Retro-fitting of component with lead wires	A lead wire of Retrofitted component Solderingiron iron	Solder resist	
Lateral arrangement	Portion to be Excessively soldered Land	Solder resist	

#### 2.4 Component Layout

The Inductors/components shall be placed on the PC board such that both electrodes are subjected to uniform stresses, or to position the□ component electrodes at right angles to the grid glove or bending line. This should be done to avoid cracking the Inductors from bending the PC board after or during placing/mounting on the PC board.

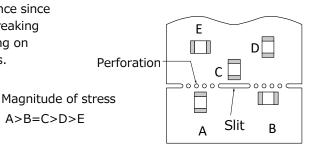
(1)To minimize mechanical stress caused by the warp or bending of a PC board, please follow the recommended Inductors' layout below. Prohibited layout

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Recommended layout

Layout the Varistors sideways against the stressing direction.

(2) The following layout is for your reference since mechanical stress near the dividing/breaking position of a PC board varies depending on the mounting position of the Inductors.



(3) The magnitude of mechanical stress applied to the Inductors when divided is in the order of push back < slit < V-groove < perforation.

Also take into account the layout of the Inductors and the dividing/breaking method.

#### 2.5 Mounting Density and Spaces

If components are arranged in too narrow a space, the components can be affected by solder bridges and solder balls. The space between components should be carefully determined.

#### Precautions for Assembly

#### 1. Storage

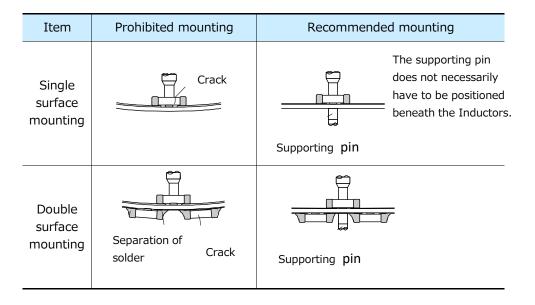
- (1) The Inductors shall be stored between 5 to 40 °C and 20 to 70 % RH, not under severe conditions of high temperature and humidity.
- (2) If stored in a place that is humid, dust, or corrosive gasses (hydrogen sulfide, sulfurous acid, hydrogen chloride and ammonia, etc.) the solderability of terminals electrodes may deteriorate. In addition, storage in a place subjected to heating and/or exposure to direct sunlight will causes deformed tapes and reels, and component sticking to tapes, both of which can result in mounting problems.
- (3) Do not store components longer than 6 months. Check the solderability of products that have been stored for more than 6 months before use.

#### 2. Adhesives for Mounting

- (1) The amount and viscosity of an adhesive for mounting shall be such that the adhesive will not flow off on the land during its curing.
- (2) If the amount of adhesive is insufficient for mounting, the Inductors may fall off after or during soldering.
- (3) If the adhesive is too low in its viscosity, the Inductors may be out of alignment after or during soldering.
- (4) Adhesives for mounting can be cured by ultraviolet or infrared radiation. In order to prevent the terminal electrodes of the Inductors from oxidizing, the curing shall be done under the following conditions: 160 °C max., for 2 minutes max.
- (5) Insufficient curing may cause the Inductors to fall off after or during soldering. In addition, insulation resistance between terminal electrodes may deteriorate due to moisture absorption. In order to prevent these problems, please observe proper curing conditions.

#### 3. Chip Mounting Consideration

- (1) When mounting the Inductors components on a PC board, the Inductors bodies shall be free from excessive impact loads such as mechanical impact or stress due to the positioning, pushing force and displacement of vacuum nozzles during mounting.
- (2) Maintenance and inspection of the Chip Mounter must be performed regularly.
- (3) If the bottom dead center of the vacuum nozzle is too low, the Inductors will crack from excessive force during mounting. Pease refer to the following precautions and recommendations.
  - (a) Set and adjust the bottom dead center of the vacuum nozzles to the upper surface of the PC board after correcting the warp of the PC board.
  - (b) Set the pushing force of the vacuum nozzle during mounting to 1 to 3 N in static load.
  - (c) For double surface mounting, apply a supporting pin on the rear surface of the PC board to suppress the bending of the PC board in order to minimize the impact of the vacuum nozzles. Typical examples are shown in the table below secondary.
  - (d) Adjust the vacuum nozzles so that their bottom dead center during mounting is not too low.



- (4) The closing dimensions of the positioning chucks shall be controlled. Maintenance and replacement of positioning chucks shall be performed regularly to prevent chipping or cracking of the Inductors caused by mechanical impact during positioning due to worn positioning chucks.
- (5) Maximum stroke of the nozzle shall be adjusted so that the maximum bending of PC board does not exceed 0.5 mm at 90 mm span. The PC board shall be supported by an adequate number of supporting pins.

# 4. Selection of Soldering Flux

Soldering flux may seriously affect the performance of the Inductors.

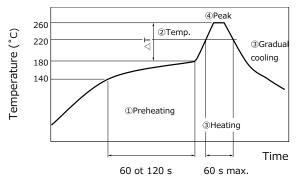
Please confirm whether soldering flux does not have an influence on performance of the Inductor before using enough.

# 5. Soldering

#### 5.1 Reflow Soldering

The reflow soldering temperature conditions are composed of temperature curves of Preheating, Temp. rise, Heating, Peak and Gradual cooling. Large temperature difference inside the Inductors caused by rapid heat application to the Inductors may lead to excessive thermal stresses, contributing to the thermal cracks. The Preheating temperature requires controlling with great care so that tombstone phenomenon may be prevented.

Recommended profile of Reflow Soldering (Ex.)



Item	Tempe	erature	Period or Speed	
① Preheating	140 to 180 ℃		60 to 120 s	
2 Temp. rise	Preheati	ng temp	2 to 5 ℃ / s	
	to Peak	k temp.	2105075	
③ Heating	220 °C min.		60 s max.	
④ Peak	260 °C max.		10 s max.	
⑤ Gradual	Peak temp.		1 to 4 °C / s	
cooling	to 140 ℃			
Size/EIA		Temp	o. Tol.	

T ≦150 °C

 $\triangle T$  : Allowable temperature difference  $\triangle T \leq 150 \text{ °C}$ 

The rapid cooling (forced cooling) during Gradual cooling part should be avoided, because this may cause defects such as the thermal cracks, etc. When the Inductors are immersed into a cleaning solvent, make sure that the surface temperatures of the devices do not exceed 100 °C. Performing reflow soldering twice under the conditions shown in the figure above [Recommended profile of Flow soldering (Ex.)] will not cause any problems. However, pay attention to the possible warp and bending of the PC board.

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#### 5.2 Hand Soldering

Hand soldering typically causes significant temperature change, which may induce excessive thermal stresses inside the Inductors, resulting in the thermal cracks, etc. In order to prevent any defects, the following should be observed.

 $\cdot$  The temperature of the soldering tips should be controlled with special care.

· The direct contact of soldering tips with the Inductors and/or terminal electrodes should be avoided.

· Dismounted Inductors shall not be reused.

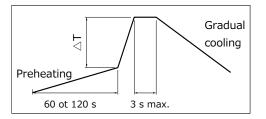
(1) Condition 1 (with preheating)

- (a) Soldering : Use thread solder ( $\phi$  1.0 mm or below) which contains flux with low chlorine, developed for precision electronic equipment.
- (b) Preheating : Conduct sufficient preheating, and make sure that the temperature difference between solder and Inductors' surface is 150 °C or less.
- (c) Temperature of Iron tip: 350 °C max.

(The required amount of solder shall be melted in advance on the soldering tip.)

(d) Gradual cooling : After soldering, the Inductors shall be cooled gradually at room temperature.

Recommended profile of Hand soldering (Ex.)



 $\triangle T$  : Allowable temperature difference  $\triangle T \leq 150 \text{ °C}$ 

- (2) Condition 2 (without preheating)Hand soldering can be performed without preheating,by following the conditions below:
- (a) Soldering iron tip shall never directly touch the ceramic and terminal electrodes of the Inductors.
- (b) The lands are sufficiently preheated with a soldering iron tip before sliding the soldering iron tip to the terminal electrodes of the Inductors for soldering.

# 6. Post Soldering Cleaning

## 6.1 Cleaning solvent

Soldering flux residue may remain on the PC board if cleaned with an inappropriate solvent. This may deteriorate the electrical characteristics and reliability of the Inductors.

# 6.2 Cleaning conditions

Inappropriate cleaning conditions such as insufficient cleaning or excessive cleaning may impair the electrical characteristics and reliability of the Inductors.

(1) Insufficient cleaning can lead to :

- (a) The halogen substance found in the residue of the soldering flux may cause the metal of terminal electrodes to corrode.
- (b) The halogen substance found in the residue of the soldering flux on the surface of the Inductors may change resistance values.
- (c) Water-soluble soldering flux may have more remarkable tendencies of (a) and (b) above compared to those of rosin soldering flux.
- (2) Excessive cleaning can lead to :

(a) When using ultrasonic cleaner, make sure that the output is not too large, so that the substrate will not resonate. The resonation causes the cracks in Inductors and/or solders, and deteriorates the strength of the terminal electrodes. Please follow these conditions for Ultrasonic cleaning:

Ultrasonic wave output: 20 W/L max.Ultrasonic wave frequency: 40 kHz max.Ultrasonic wave cleaning time: 5 min. max.

# 6.3 Contamination of Cleaning solvent

Cleaning with contaminated cleaning solvent may cause the same results as that of insufficient cleaning due to the high density of liberated halogen.

# 7. Inspection Process

The pressure from measuring terminal pins might bend the PCB when implementing circuit inspection after mounting Varistors on PCB, and as a result, cracking may occur.

- (1) Mounted PC boards shall be supported by an adequate number of supporting pins on the back with bend settings of 90 mm span 0.5 mm max.
- (2) Confirm that the measuring pins have the right tip shape, are equal in height, have the right pressure and are set in the correct positions. The following figures are for your reference to avoid bending the PC board.

Item	Prohibited mounting	Recommended mounting
Bending of PC board	Check pin	
	Separated, Crack	Supporting pin

Conditions of Hand soldering without preheating

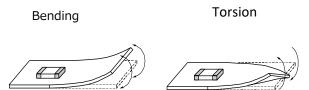
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Item	Condition
Temperature of Iron tip	270 ℃ max.
Wattage	20 W max.
Shape of Iron tip	$\varphi$ 3 mm max.
Soldering time with a soldering iron	3 s max.

# 8.Protective Coating

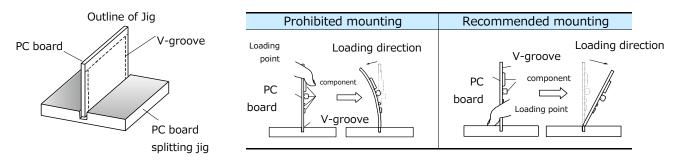
When the surface of a PC board on which the Inductors have been mounted is coated with resin to protect against moisture and dust, it shall be confirmed that the protective coating which is corrosive or chemically active is not used, in order that the reliability of the Inductors in the actual equipment may not be influenced. Coating materials that expand or shrink also may lead to damage to the Inductor during the curing process.

# 9. Dividing/Breaking of PC Boards

(1) Please be careful not to stress the substrate with bending/twisting when dividing, after mounting components including Inductors. Abnormal and excessive mechanical stress such as bending or torsion shown below can cause cracking in the Inductors.

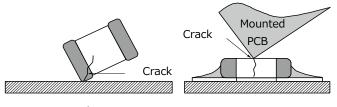


- (2) Dividing/Breaking of the PC boards shall be done carefully at moderate speed by using a jig or apparatus to prevent the Inductors on the boards from mechanical damage.
- (3) Examples of PCB dividing/breaking jigs: The outline of PC board breaking jig is shown below. When PC board are broken or divided, loading points should be close to the jig to minimize the extent of the bending. Also, planes with no parts mounted on should be used as plane of loading, in order to prevent tensile stress induced by the bending, which may cause cracks of the Inductors or other parts mounted on the PC boards.



# **10. Mechanical Impact**

- (1) The Inductors shall be free from any excessive mechanical impact. The Inductors body is made of ceramics and may be damaged or cracked if dropped. Never use a Varistor which has been dropped; their quality may already be impaired, and in that case, failure rate will increase.
- (2) When handling PC boards with Inductors mounted on them, do not allow the Inductors to collide with another PC board. When mounted PC boards are handled or stored in a stacked state, the corner of a PC board might strike Inductors, and the impact of the strike may cause damage or cracking and can deteriorate the withstand voltage and insulation resistance of the Inductors.



#### Other

The Inductors precautions described above are typical. For special mounting conditions, please contact us.

#### Applicable laws and regulations , others

- 1. This product not been manufactured with any ozone depleting chemical controlled under the Montreal Protocol.
- 2. This product comply with RoHS(Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substance in electrical and electronic equipment) (DIRECTIVE 2011/65/EU and 2015/863/EU).
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