

# GENERAL CONTACT INFO

## THE "MULTI-FINGER" CONTACT

Mill-Max makes pin receptacles by press-fitting a "multi-finger" spring contact into a machined shell. A selection of over 39 contact types are pre-tooled for those who wish to design custom receptacles. This extensive family of contacts will accept round pins ranging from .008" to .102" diameter, as well as rectangular component leads and square wraposts, where the effective diameter is taken as the diagonal dimension of the lead.

Many contacts are interchangeable within a given shell, and so the contact selector chart has been organized by alternate contact groupings. Standard receptacles found in this catalog can be easily assembled with alternate contacts to suit special applications, for example: low insertion force or high operating temperature.

Contact Groups	Contact Type	Accepts Minimum Pin Diameter	Accepts Maximum Pin Diameter	Contact Compliancy $\delta$	Contact Length	Number of Fingers	Contact Material	Current Rating (For 10°C $\Delta T$ )
No Alternate	#04	.008	.013	.003	.053	3	BeCu	2A
No Alternate	#10	.012	.017	.002	.060	6		
A	#09	.015	.018	.002	.051	3	BeCu	3A
	#11		.020	.003				
	#21		.022	.004	.075			
	#31	.018	.023			.062		
	#05	.015	.022	.003	.075	3		
#25	.020							
B	#12	.015	.022	.003	.062	4	BeCu	
B	#22		.005	.062	6			
	C		#30		.025	.008	.083	
#38			.026	.004				
#32		.009						
#35		#43	6	BeCu				
K	#15	.020	.032	.005	.084	4	BeNi	
	#19			.003				
D	#06	.022	.034	.007	.113	4	BeCu	
	#26			.005				
	#16	.025	.037	.006	.083	6	BeCu	
	#47			.011				
	#56			.009				
L	#18	.037	.043	.004	.062		6	BeCu
	#58			.003				
E	#36	.022	.042	.022	.120	4	BeCu	
	#34	.032	.046	.010				
	#49			.006	.125		BeNi	
	#24	.009	.120					
F	#02	.040	.050	.006	.088	6	BeCu	
J	#28	.042	.052	.005	.150	4		
	#42	.059	.063	.004				
G	#03	.040	.060	.010	.100	6	BeCu	
	#23	.045	.065	.008				
	#13	.048	.064	.010	.127		4	BeNi
#33	.008							
H	#07	.065	.082	.013	.150	4	BeCu	
	#27			.012				
	#14		.085	.014			BeNi	
No Alternate	#08	.084	.102	.011	.122	6	BeCu	18A
No Alternate	#48	.037	.043	TBD	.092	4	BeCu	20A



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## CONTACT SPECIFICATIONS

The Mill-Max “multi-finger” contact exhibits wide conformity, eg. the ability of any single contact to accept a broad range of round pins as well as rectangular or square leads.

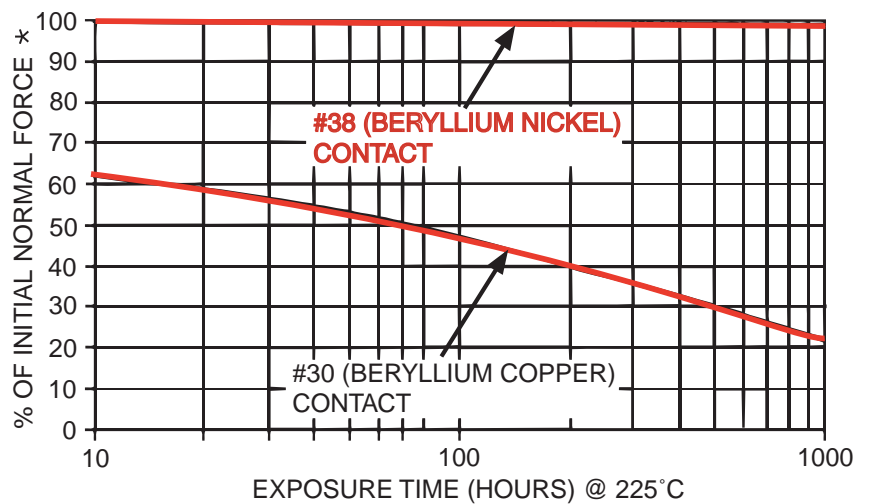
The insertion/extraction force characteristics that follow were derived using 30 $\mu$ ” gold-plated contacts and bullet-shaped polished steel, gauge pins. The curves represent typical average values. The charts only guide you in selecting a clip that is close to your specification. Your results may vary, so for your specification, **visit [www.mill-max.com](http://www.mill-max.com) to obtain complimentary samples of a receptacle assembly for your evaluation.**

### COMPLIANCY ( $\delta$ )

The compliancy factor ( $\delta$ ) describes the re-configured operating range after inserting the largest permissible mating pin. For example: the # 34 contact has an initial operating range from .032” to .046” diameter pins. After insertion of a .046” pin, the contact is sized, and the minimum pin acceptance becomes .046” - .010” = .036”. Thus, the new operating range becomes .036” to .046”.

### CONTACT MATERIAL AND STRESS RELAXATION AT HIGH TEMPERATURE

Mill-Max Mfg. contacts are made from either beryllium copper or beryllium nickel that has been heat treated to achieve ultimate spring properties. The graph illustrates how beryllium copper loses its spring properties over time at a high temperature (225°C). Thus, for burn-in applications and continuous operation above 150°C, beryllium nickel should be substituted for beryllium copper.



### CURRENT RATING

Current rating for each contact group can be found in the contact selector chart on page 248. This current rating (for a 10° C temperature rise above ambient) is conservative, since it rates an individual pin/receptacle pair in free air. For all practical applications, the current rating will be higher because of the heat sinking ability of wires and circuit traces attached to the pins and receptacles.

Mill-Max receptacles are capable of 1,000 minimum insertion/extraction cycles for a broad range of applications. Mating pin size, shape and finish, along with application specific variables, will affect the life of a contact.

