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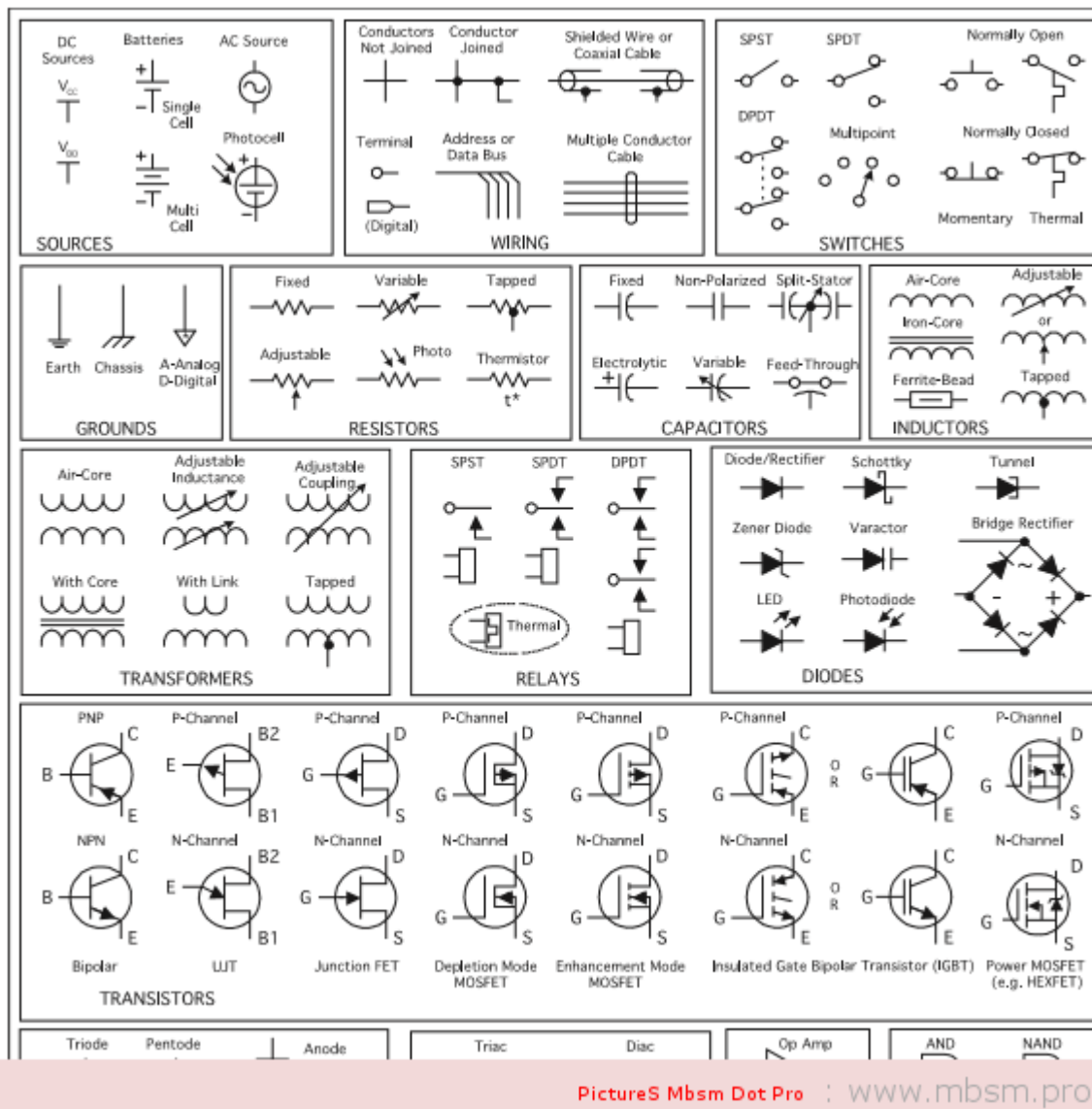


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Resistor Labels

Conversion Calculator

k = 1,000 ; M = 1,000,000

1MΩ = 1,000,000 Ω = 1 x 10⁶Ω

1kΩ = 1,000 Ω = 1 x 10³Ω

Examples:

3.3 kΩ = 3,300 Ω = 3.3 x 10³Ω

22 kΩ = 22,000 Ω = 22 x 10³Ω

2 MΩ = 2,000,000 Ω = 2 x 10⁶Ω

1.68 MΩ = 1,680,000 Ω = 1.68 x 10⁶Ω

Resistor Color Code

Color	Sig. Fig.	Decimal Multiplier	Tolerance (%)
Black	0	1	-
Brown	1	10	1
Red	2	100	2
Orange	3	1,000	-
Yellow	4	10,000	-
Green	5	100,000	0.5
Blue	6	1,000,000	0.25
Purple	7	10,000,000	0.1
Gray	8	100,000,000	-
White	9	1,000,000,000	-
Gold	-	0.1	5
Silver	-	0.01	10
No Color	-	-	20

Body Color

The body color of a resistor typically doesn't carry meaning, except in some instances where it may specify temperature coefficient. However, if you find resistors within a circuit that are white/gray or blue in color, they may be non-flammable or fusible resistors. Care must be taken when entering such resistors.

4-Band Resistor Code (Most Common)

Label Meaning

Red Black Orange Gold
20 x 1,000 = 20k Ω ± 5%

First Digit: Black, Second Digit: Orange, Multiplier (x of zeros): Gold, % Tolerance: Gold

5-Band Resistor Code (3-digit)

Label Meaning

Purple Blue Green Brown Brown
675 x 10 = 6750 Ω ± 1%

First Digit: Purple, Second Digit: Blue, Third Digit: Green, Multiplier (x of zeros): Brown, % Tolerance: Brown

5-Band Resistor Code (Reliability)

Label Meaning

Yellow Purple Green Silver Brown
47 x 100,000 = 4.7 MΩ ± 10%

1% Reliability/1000 Hr — Brown

Color	Reliability (%/1000 Hr)
Brown	1
Red	0.1
Orange	0.01
Yellow	0.001

First Digit: Yellow, Second Digit: Purple, Multiplier (x of zeros): Green, Reliability: Silver, % Tolerance: Brown

6-Band Resistor Code

Label Meaning

Purple Red Blue Black Brown Red
276 x 1 = 276Ω ± 1%

TC of 50 ppm — Red

Color	Temp Coeff
Brown	100 ppm
Red	50 ppm

First Digit: Purple, Second Digit: Red, Third Digit: Blue, Temp. Coeff.: Black, % Tolerance: Brown

Surface Mount Resistor Code

3-digit Label

Label Meaning

101: 10 and 1 zero = 100 Ω

105: 10 and 5 zero = 1,000,000 Ω

224: 22 and 4 zeros = 220,000 Ω

1R0: 1.0 and no zeros = 1 Ω

22R: 22.0 and no zeros = 22 Ω

R10: 0.1 and no zeros = 0.1 Ω

The first two digits represent significant figures; the last digit specifies the multiplier. For values under 100 Ω, the letter R is substituted for one of the significant digits and represents a decimal point.

4-digit Label

Label Meaning

1001: 100 and 1 zero = 1000 Ω

22R0: 22.0 and no zeros = 22 Ω

The first three digits represent significant figures; the last digit specifies the multiplier. R represents a decimal point.

Tolerance Label

Label Meaning	Letter	Tolerance
101F	D	±0.5 %
	F	±1.0 %

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