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## MAGNETIC-LATCHING, BROADBAND RF RELAYS DPDT

## SERIES RF180

### DESCRIPTION

The Series RF180 relay is an ultraminiature, hermetically sealed, magnetic-latching relay featuring extremely low intercontact capacitance for exceptional RF performance over the full UHF spectrum. Its low profile height and .100" grid spaced terminals make it ideal for applications where extreme packaging density and/or close PC board spacing are required.

The RF180 design has been optimized for use in RF attenuators, RF switch matrices, and other applications requiring magnetic latching, high isolation, low insertion loss and low VSWR.

Unique construction features and manufacturing techniques provide high reliability and excellent robustness to environmental extremes.

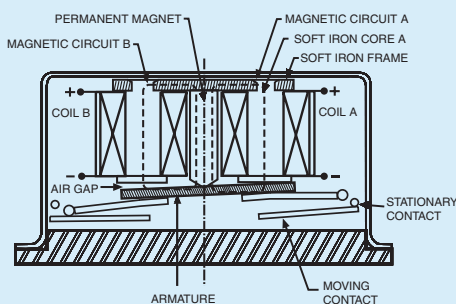
- All welded construction.
- Unique uniframe design provides high magnetic efficiency and mechanical rigidity.
- High force/mass ratios for resistance to shock and vibration.
- Advanced cleaning techniques provide maximum assurance of internal cleanliness.
- Gold-plated precious metal alloy contacts ensure reliable d.c. switching from dry-circuit to 1/4 amp, as well as low and stable insertion loss in RF applications.

The RF180 relay is ideally suited for applications where power dissipation must be minimized. The relays can be operated with a short-duration coil voltage pulse. After the contacts have transferred, no coil power is required.

The magnetic-latching feature of the RF180 provides a nonvolatile memory capability, since the relays will not reset upon removal of coil power.

### PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

Energizing Coil A produces a magnetic field opposing the magnetic field of the permanent magnet in Circuit A. As the net holding force decreases, the attractive force in the air gap of Circuit B, which also results from the magnetic field of the permanent magnet, becomes great enough to break the armature free of Core A, and snap it into a closed position against Core B. The armature remains in this position upon removal of power from Coil A, but will snap back into position A upon energizing Coil B. Since operation depends upon cancellation of a magnetic field, it is necessary to apply the correct polarity to the relay coils as indicated on the relay schematic.



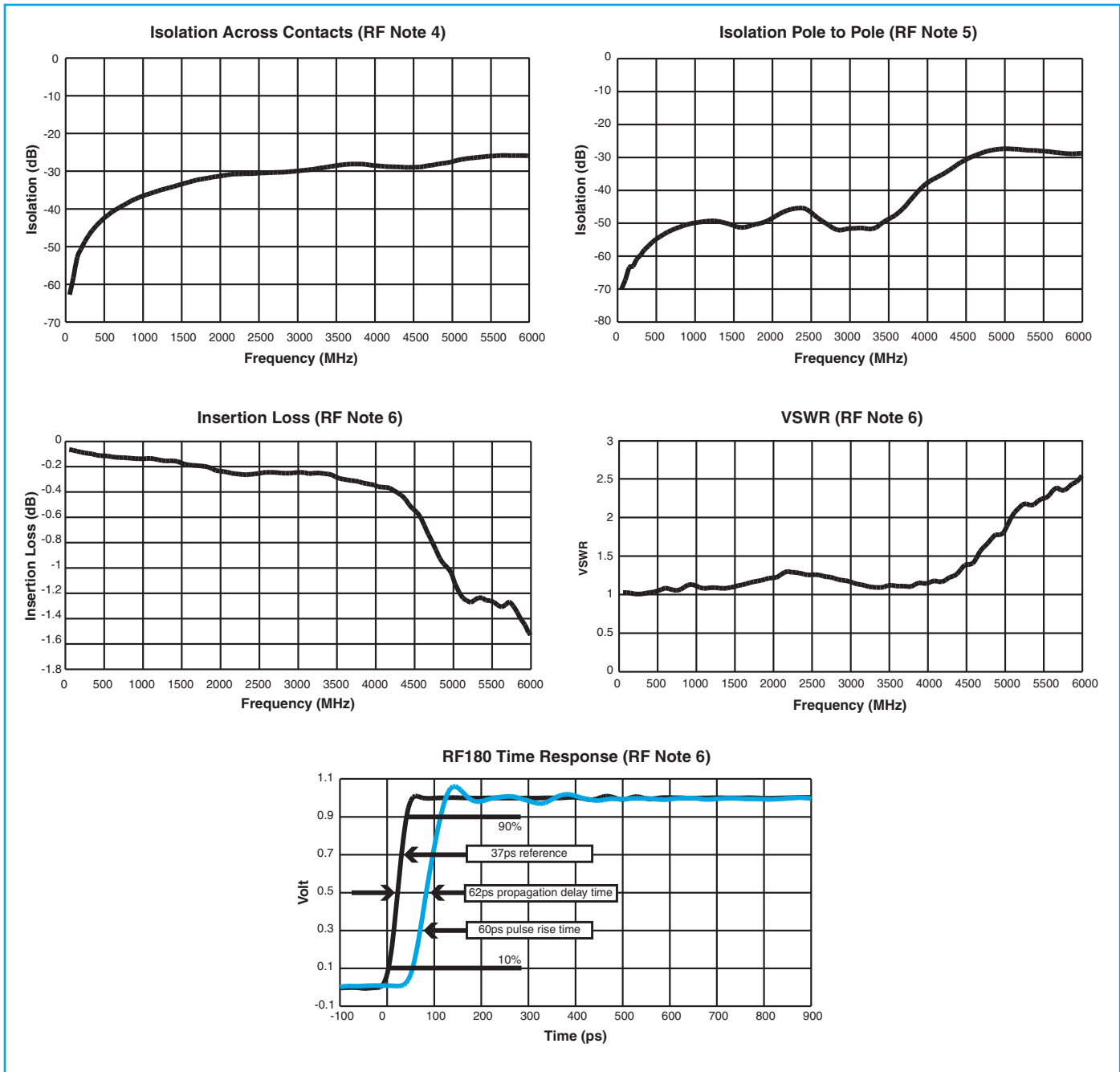
When latching relays are installed in equipment, the latch and reset coils should not be pulsed simultaneously. Coils should not be pulsed with less than rated coil voltage and the pulse width should be a minimum of three times the specified operate time of the relay. If these conditions are not followed, it is possible for the relay to be in the magnetic neutral position.

### ENVIRONMENTAL AND PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS

<b>Temperature</b> (Ambient)	<b>Storage</b>	-65°C to +125°C
	<b>Operating</b>	-55°C to +85°C
<b>Vibration</b> (General Note 1)		30 g's to 3000 Hz
<b>Shock</b> (General Note 1)		100 g's, 6 msec, half-sine
<b>Enclosure</b>		Hermetically sealed
<b>Weight</b>		0.10 oz. (2.9g) max.

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## TYPICAL RF CHARACTERISTICS CURVES (SEE RF NOTES)



## RF NOTES

- Test conditions:
  - Fixture: .031" copper clad, reinforced PTFE, RT/duroid® 6002 with SMA connectors. (RT/duroid® is a registered trademark of Rogers Corporation.)
  - Relay header is in contact with, but not soldered to, ground plane or connected to ground via ground pin.
  - Test performed at room ambient temperature.
  - Terminals not tested were terminated with 50-ohm load.
  - Contact signal level: -10 dBm.
- Data presented herein represents typical characteristics and is not intended for use as specification limits.
- Data is per pole, except for pole-to-pole data.
- Data is the average from readings taken on all open contacts.
- Data is the average from readings taken on poles after Coil A is energized then Coil B is energized.
- Data is the average from readings taken on all closed contacts.
- Test fixture effect de-embedded from frequency and time response data.

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**GENERAL ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS (-65°C to +125°C, unless otherwise noted) (General Note 2)**

<b>Contact Arrangement</b>	2 Form C (DPDT)
<b>Rated Duty</b>	Continuous
<b>Contact Resistance</b>	0.15Ω maximum before life; 0.25Ω maximum after life at 0.25A/28Vdc (measured 1/8" from header)
<b>Contact Load Rating (DC)</b>	Resistive: 0.25A/28Vdc Low Level: 10 to 50 μA/10 to 50 mV
<b>Characteristic Contact Life Ratings (General Note 3)</b>	10,000,000 cycles characteristic life (General Note 3) 100,000 cycles minimum at all other loads specified above
<b>Contact Overload Rating</b>	0.5A/28Vdc Resistive (100 cycles minimum)
<b>Contact Carry Rating</b>	Contact factory
<b>Coil Operating Power</b>	290 milliwatts typical at nominal rated voltage @25°C
<b>Operate Time</b>	2.0 msec. maximum at nominal rated coil voltage
<b>Minimum Operate Pulse</b>	6.0 msec. width at rated voltage
<b>Interconnect Capacitance</b>	0.02 pf typical
<b>Insulation Resistance</b>	1,000 MΩ minimum between mutually isolated terminals
<b>Dielectric Strength</b>	Atmospheric pressure: 350 Vrms (60 Hz)

**DETAILED ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS (-65°C to +125°C, unless otherwise noted) (General Note 2)**

BASE PART NUMBERS		RF180-5	RF180-12	RF180-26
<b>Coil Voltage (Vdc)</b>	Nom.	5.0	12.0	26.5
	Max.	6.0	16.0	32.0
<b>Coil Resistance (Ohms ±20%, @25°C)</b>		61	500	2000
<b>Set &amp; Reset Voltage (Vdc max.)</b>		4.6	11.0	22.0

**GENERAL NOTES**

1. Relays will exhibit no contact chatter in excess of 10 μsec or transfer in excess of 1 μsec.
2. Unless otherwise specified, parameters are initial values.
3. For extended contact life ratings, contact factory.
4. Contacts shown in position resulting when Coil B last energized.

