



IMO

# SIM

## NEW Mini Solar Isolator



Keeping Solar Safe



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## Mini TRUE DC Isolators for PV Systems

- Based on market-leading SI series design
- Compact smaller size
- Improved switching capacity
- Extended mounting options
- Guaranteed arc suppression (3ms typical)
- Operator independent switching mechanism
- Knife-edge contacts



### The next evolution in DC isolation

When IMO first launched its SI Series DC isolator in 2009, little did it know that the SI would soon become the safety component of choice for many of the largest solar inverter manufacturers and installers around the world. Today, with nearly 4 million installations and zero reported electrical failures, the SI Series has proved itself more than capable of handling the most demanding DC switching applications.

The NEW SIM represents the next evolution in DC isolation offering all the benefits of its big brother in a compact, high reliability package. With a 35% reduction in cubic volume, reduced front plate "real-estate", increased ratings and extended mounting options, the SIM is packed with features. Yet it retains the high reliability technology of the current SI Series including knife edge contacts, high speed operator independent switching mechanism and full arc control with guaranteed suppression time.

The NEW SIM represents the next step in meeting the global demand for high reliability, compact and competitive DC safety switching solutions.

## Safety as standard

In solar installations, the DC isolator is like a vehicle air-bag. It is rarely called upon but, when required, carries a huge responsibility. So it's good to know that the IMO SI is safeguarding millions of solar installations around the world, without a single reported electrical failure.

Not surprising considering the product carries all the most important approvals including UL508i. In fact the IMO SI range of solar isolators have been tested by some of the most rigorous examiners and OEM manufacturers in the world, passing with flying colours every time.

## Smaller... and better

When buying IMO you can be assured of the level of quality and reliability of our products. The SIM is no exception, and just because we have managed to squeeze everything that went into our market-leading SI range into the new SIM's compact body, we haven't compromised on reliability. In fact, we have increased the overall ratings and extended the mounting options.



SI16-DBL-2

*35% reduction in cubic volume*



SIM16-DBL-4

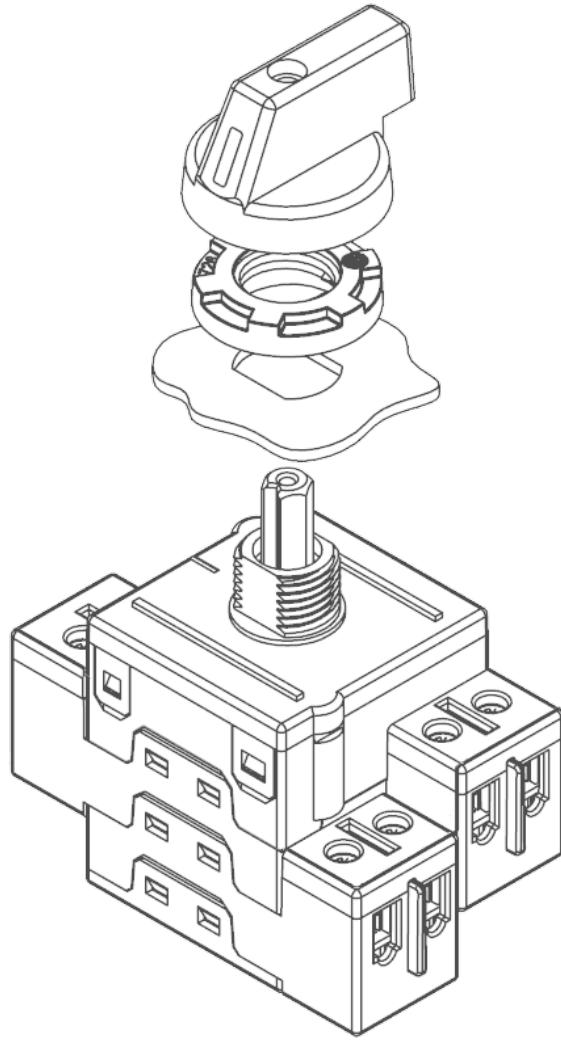


## The OEM's choice

The SI range of isolators was specifically developed for arduous DC disconnect applications and SI isolators are used by many of the largest Solar Inverter manufacturers in the world.

The new SIM range features the same independent trigger ratchet switching mechanism delivering arc extinguishing times of <5ms (3ms typical). Specially designed internal arc cooling chambers control temperature rise and increase safety while knife edge contacts increase reliability and prolong electrical life.

All this along with a 35% reduction in size makes the SIM Series the ideal next generation choice for OEMs globally.



# Utilisation Categories

Utilisation Categories as are covered in the European Standards EN 60947-1 & EN60947-3 and define an equipment's intended application. The list of both AC and DC categories for low-voltage switchgear and controlgear are stated in EN 60947-1 Annex A along with the relevant product standards.

Manufacturers of both switchgear and controlgear should include in their technical product data all the operational ratings for the utilisation categories for which a product is designed and as such this should remove the confusion for users and designers in their selection of the correct product.

If we consider PV installations where there are requirements for switchgear being used on the DC side then the system falls typically within two categories below (for which the relevant standard is EN 60947-3)

**DC-21 Switching of resistive loads, including moderate overloads**

**DC-22 Switching of mixed resistive and inductive loads, including moderate overloads**

**DC-PV1 Switching of single PV string(s) without reverse and overcurrents**

**DC-PV2 Switching of several PV strings with reverse and overcurrents**

Compliance to the EN60947-3 utilisation categories involves the products completing a number of tests, these include the "Making and Breaking Capacity" (section 7.2.4.1/D7.2.4.1) and "Operational Performance" (section 7.2.4.2/D7.2.4.2). Verification of the operational making and breaking capacities are stated by reference to the rated operational voltage and rated operational current according to Table 3 and Table D7 (see extracts below).

## Test Conditions for Making & Breaking Capacities

Utilisation categories	Rated operational categories	Making			Breaking			Number of operating cycles
		I/I <sub>e</sub>	U/U <sub>e</sub>	L/R ms	I <sub>c</sub> /I <sub>e</sub>	U <sub>r</sub> /U <sub>e</sub>	L/R ms	
DC-21A - DC-21B	All values	1.5	1.05	1	1.5	1.05	1	5
DC-22B	All values	4	1.05	2.5	4	1.05	2.5	5
DC-PV1	All values	1.5	1.05	1	1.5	1.05	1	5
DC-PV2	All values	4	1.05	1	4	1.05	1	5

## Test Conditions for Number of On Load Operating Cycles

Utilisation categories	Number of operating cycles per hour	Number of operating cycles					
		A categories		Total	B categories		Total
Without current	With current				Without current	With current	
DC-21A/B & DC-22B	120	8,500	1,500	10,000	1,700	300	2,000
DC-PV1 & DC-PV2	120	9,700	300	10,000	-	-	-

Utilisation categories	Rated operational categories	Making			Breaking			L/R ms
		I/I <sub>e</sub>	U/U <sub>e</sub>	L/R ms	I <sub>c</sub> /I <sub>e</sub>	U <sub>r</sub> /U <sub>e</sub>	L/R ms	
DC-21A - DC-21B	All Values	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
DC-22B	All Values	1	1	2	1	1	2	
DC-PV1	All Values	1	1	1	1	1	1	
DC-PV2	All Values	1	1	1	1	1	1	

I=making current    I<sub>c</sub>=breaking current    I<sub>e</sub>=rated operational current  
 U=applied voltage    U<sub>e</sub>=rated operational voltage    U<sub>r</sub>=operational frequency or d.c recovery voltage

## Ordering Variations

### Lever Handle Models

Panel Mount (4-screw) 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate Lever Handle, IP66	Panel Mount (2-screw) 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate Lever Handle, IP66	Single Hole Mount (22.5mm) 48 x 48 Escutcheon Plate Lever Handle, IP66	Single Hole Mount (16mm) No Escutcheon Plate Lever Handle, IP66	Base Mount (door coupling) 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate Lever Handle, IP66	Modular Switch Lever Handle, IP40
					

SIM\*\*PM64\*    SIM\*\*PMT64\*    SIM\*\*SHM\*    SIM\*\*SHMS\*    SIM\*\*BMDC64\*    SIM\*\*DB\*

### Lever Handle Models with Lockable OFF

Panel Mount (4-screw) 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate Lockable Lever Handle, IP66	Panel Mount (2-screw) 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate Lockable Lever Handle, IP66	Single Hole Mount (22.5mm) 48 x 48 Escutcheon Plate Lockable Lever Handle, IP66	Base Mount (door coupling) 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate Lockable Lever Handle, IP66	Modular Switch Lockable Lever Handle, IP40
				

SIM\*\*PML64\*    SIM\*\*PMTL64\*    SIM\*\*SHML\*    SIM\*\*BMDC64\*    SIM\*\*DBL\*

### Rotary Handle Models with Lockable OFF



Panel Mount (4-screw) 64 x 64 Lockable Rotary Handle, IP66	Base Mount (door coupling) 64 x 64 Lockable Rotary Handle, IP66	Enclosed Version Lockable Rotary Handle, IP67
		

SIM\*\*PM64R\*    SIM\*\*BMDC64R\*    SIM\*\*PEL64R\*

#### NOTE:

For description of each mounting mechanism please refer to pages 12-15.

IP ratings are for front panel and enclosed.

## Part Number Configuration

Series	SIM	16	-	PM64R	-	2	Number of Poles (see Switching Configurations on p.5)
SIM Mini DC Solar Isolator	<b>SIM</b>						
Switch Rating		<b>16</b>					
16 Amp		<b>16</b>					2-Pole
25 Amp		<b>25</b>					2-Pole 4 Parallel Poles
32 Amp		<b>32</b>					4-Pole
							2-Pole 4 Poles in Series (Input Top, Output bottom)
							2-Pole 4 Poles in Series (Input & Output bottom)
							2-Pole 4 Poles in Series (Input & Output top)

#### Mounting Type

Panel Mount (4-screw), 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate, Lever Handle	<b>PM64</b>	Single Hole (16mm) Mount, No Escutcheon Plate, Lever Handle	<b>SHMS</b>
Panel Mount (4-screw), 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate, Lockable Lever Handle	<b>PML64</b>	Base Mount (DIN Rail), 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate, Lever Handle	<b>BMDC64</b>
Panel Mount (4-screw), 64 x 64 Lockable Rotary Handle	<b>PM64R</b>	Base Mount (DIN Rail), 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate, Lockable Lever Handle	<b>BMDCL64</b>
Panel Mount (2-screw), 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate, Lever Handle	<b>PMT64</b>	Base Mount (DIN Rail), 64 x 64 Lockable Rotary Handle	<b>BMDC64R</b>
Panel Mount (2-screw), 64 x 64 Escutcheon Plate, Lockable Lever Handle	<b>PMTL64</b>	Modular Switch, Lever Handle	<b>DB</b>
Single Hole (22.5mm) Mount, 48 x 48 Escutcheon Plate, Lever Handle	<b>SHM</b>	Modular Switch, Lockable Lever Handle	<b>DBL</b>
Single Hole (22.5mm) Mount, 48 x 48 Escutcheon Plate, Lockable Lever Handle	<b>SHML</b>	Enclosed Version, Lockable Rotary Handle	<b>PEL64R</b>

## Switching Configurations

Type	2-pole	2-pole 4 parallel poles	4-pole	2-pole 4 poles in series Input on top Output bottom	2-pole 4 poles in series Input and Output bottom	2-pole 4 poles in series Input and Output on top
SIM16	2	2H	4	4S	4T	4B
SIM25	2	2H	4	4S	4T	4B
SIM32	2	2H	4	4S	4T	4B
Contacts Wiring Diagram						
Switching example						

## Technical Data for DC according to IEC 60947-3

Type		DC21B (DC-PV1)							DC22B				
		500V	600V	700V	800V	900V	1000V	1200V	1500V	500V	600V	800V	1000V
2 poles in series	SIM16 ..	16A	16A	16A	16A	16A	10A	7A	3A	7A	5.5A	2A	1A
	SIM25 ..	25A	25A	25A	19A	17A	11.5A	8.5A	5A	8A	6A	2.5A	1.5A
	SIM32 ..	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC
2 poles in series + 2 parallel	SIM16 ..	29A	29A	22A	17A	16A	10A	7A	3A	-	-	-	-
	SIM25 ..	45A	36A	27A	19A	17A	12A	9A	5A	-	-	-	-
	SIM32 ..	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	-	-	-	-
4 poles in series	SIM16 ..	16A	16A	16A	16A	16A	16A	16A	16A	16A	16A	11.5A	8A
	SIM25 ..	25A	25A	25A	25A	25A	25A	25A	25A	25A	25A	12A	9A
	SIM32 ..	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC

DC21A/DC21B  
DC22B

Switching of DC-resistive loads including moderate overloads, Time constant L/R≤1ms  
Switching of DC-resistive and inductive loads including moderate overloads, Time constant L/R≤2.5ms (e.g. shunt motors)

## Technical Data for DC according to UL508i

Type		UL508i			
		200V	350V	500V	600V
2 poles in series	SIM16 ..	16A	16A	16A	16A
	SIM25 ..	25A	25A	25A	25A
	SIM32 ..	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC
2 poles in series + 2 parallel	SIM16 ..	29A	29A	29A	21A
	SIM25 ..	45A	45A	38A	27A
	SIM32 ..	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC
4 poles in series	SIM16 ..	16A	16A	16A	16A
	SIM25 ..	25A	25A	25A	25A
	SIM32 ..	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC

## Insulated Jumper

for series and parallel switching of contacts

Part Number	SIVM-B1
Pack	100
Weight	6.6g/p.c.



# Technical Data

Data according to IEC 60947-3, VDE 0660, GB14048.3

Main Contacts	Type	SIM16	SIM25	SIM32	
Rated thermal current $I_{\text{the}}$	A	16	25	32	
Rated insulation voltage $U_i$ <sup>1)</sup>	V	1000	1000	1000	
Rated insulation voltage $U_i$ <sup>2)</sup>	V	1500	1500	1500	
Distance of contacts (per pole)	mm	8	8	8	
<b>Rated operational current <math>I_e</math></b>					
1 pole					
DC21A	1	300V A 400V A 500V A 600V A 700V A 800V A 900V A 1000V A	16 12 9 6 4.5 3 2.5 1.5	23 14 11 8 6 4 3 2	TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC
1					
2 poles in series	500V A	16	25	TBC	
2	600V A 700V A 800V A 900V A 1000V A 1200V A 1500V A	16 16 16 13 9 6 3	25 25 23 20 16 8 4	TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC	
1 2					
2 poles in series + 2 poles parallel	500V A 600V A 700V A 800V A 900V A 1000V A 1200V A 1500V A	29 29 16 16 13 9 6 3	45 45 23 20 16 11 8 4	TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC	
2H					
4 poles in series	500V A 600V A 700V A 800V A 900V A 1000V A 1200V A 1500V A	16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16	25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC	
4S/4T/4B					
1 2 3 4					
Rated operational current $I_e$					
AC21B	2, 4	$U_e$ max. 440V A	16	25	TBC
	2H	$U_e$ max. 440V A	29	45	TBC
Rated conditional short circuit current		kA <sub>eff</sub>	5	5	5
Max. fuse size	gL (gG)	A	40	63	80
Mechanical life	x10 <sup>3</sup>		10	10	10
Rated short-time withstand current (1s)	$I_{cw}$	2, 4 A 2H, 4S, 4T, 4B A	800 1300	900 1500	1000 1700
Short circuit making capacity	$I_{cm}$	2, 4 A 2H, 4S, 4T, 4B A	800 1300	900 1500	1000 1700
Maximum cable cross sections		(inc. jumper SIVM-B1)			
solid stranded		mm <sup>2</sup>	1.5 - 10	4 - 10	4 - 10
flexible		mm <sup>2</sup>	1.5 - 10	4 - 10	4 - 10
flexible (+ multicore cable end)		mm <sup>2</sup>	1.5 - 10	4 - 10	4 - 10
Size of terminal screw			M3.5	M3.5	M3.5
Tightening torque		Nm	1.4	1.4	1.4
2 cables per clamp without jumper SIVM-B1		mm <sup>2</sup>		2 x 0.5mm <sup>2</sup> to 2x6mm <sup>2</sup>	
solid or stranded					
<b>Maximum ambient temperature</b>					
Operation	open	°C		-40 to +65	
	enclosed	°C		-40 to +45	
Storage		°C		-50 to +90	

1) Suitable at overvoltage category I to III, pollution degree 3 (standard-industry); Uimp = 8kV.

2) Suitable at overvoltage category I to III, pollution degree 2 (min.IP55); Uimp = 8kV.

## Technical Data continued

Data according to UL508i



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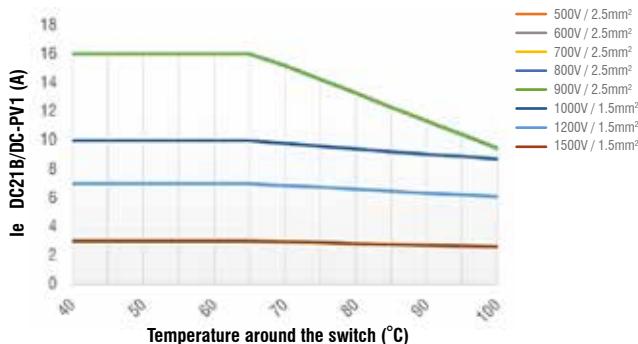


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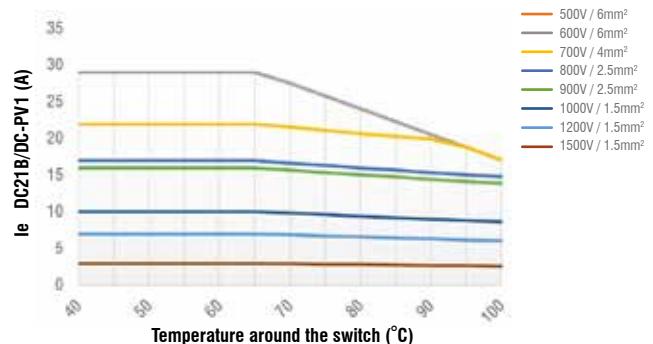
Main Contacts	Type	SIM16	SIM25	SIM32
Ampere-Rating "General Use"				
1 pole	DC			
1	350V A	4	5	TBC
	500V A	4	5	TBC
	600V A	4	5	TBC
	700V A	-	-	-
	800V A	-	-	-
	900V A	-	-	-
	1000V A	-	-	-
2 poles in series	350V A	16	25	TBC
2	500V A	16	25	TBC
	600V A	16	25	TBC
	700V A	-	-	-
	800V A	-	-	-
	900V A	-	-	-
	1000V A	-	-	-
+ 2 poles parallel	350V A	29	45	TBC
2H	400V A			
	500V A	29	38	TBC
	600V A	21	23	TBC
	700V A	-	-	-
	800V A	-	-	-
	900V A	-	-	-
	1000V A	-	-	-
4 poles in series	350V A	16	25	TBC
4S	500V A	16	25	TBC
	600V A	16	25	TBC
	700V A	-	-	-
	800V A	-	-	-
	900V A	-	-	-
	1000V A	-	-	-
Fuse size (RK5) Industrial Control Switch 5kA / 600V	A	40	60	80
Maximum cable cross sections	(including jumper SIMV-B1)			
solid	AWG	20 - 10	20 - 10	20 - 10
stranded	AWG	20 - 6	20 - 6	20 - 6
Size of terminal screw		M3.5	M3.5	M3.5
Tightening torque	lb.inch	12.4	12.4	12.4

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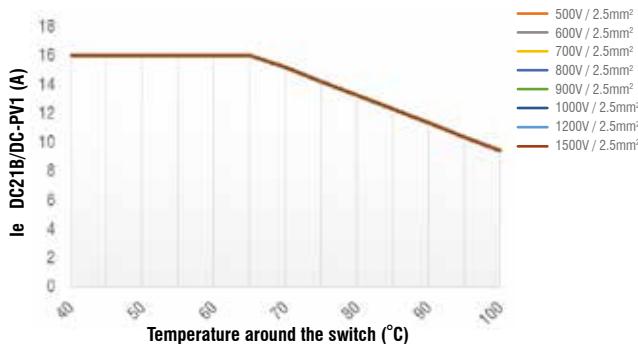
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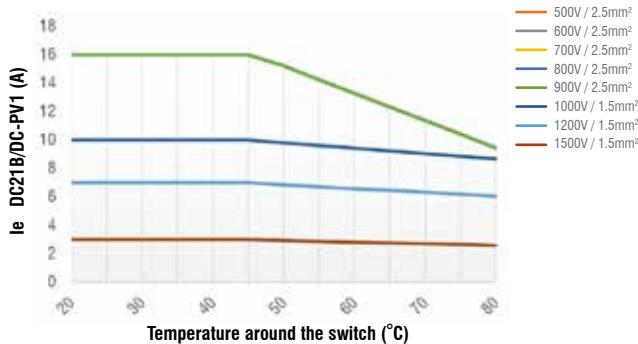
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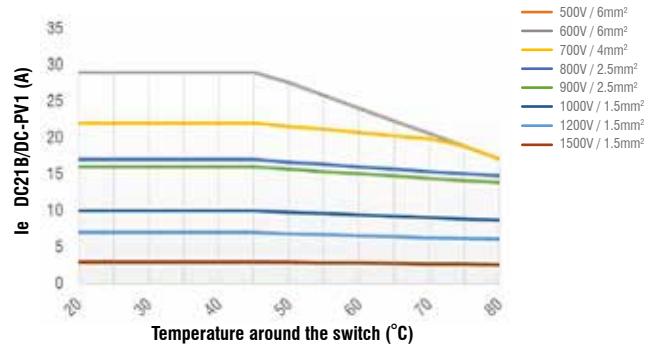
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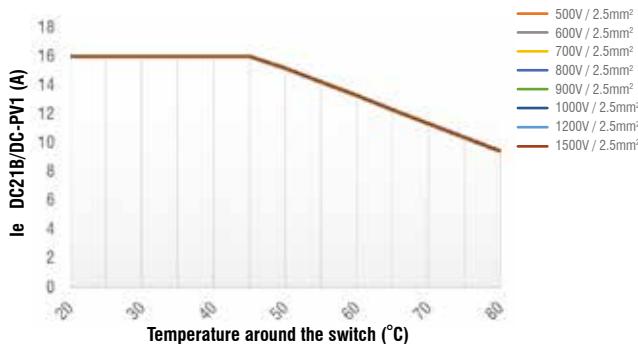
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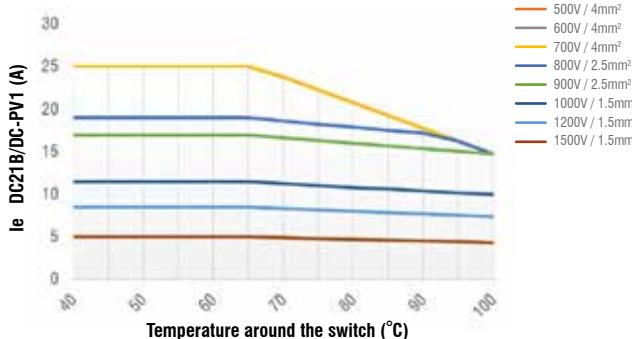


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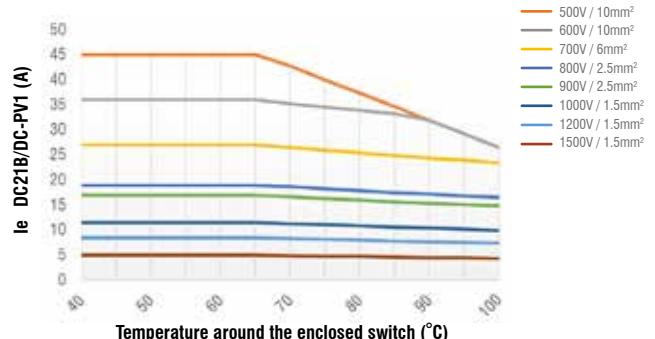


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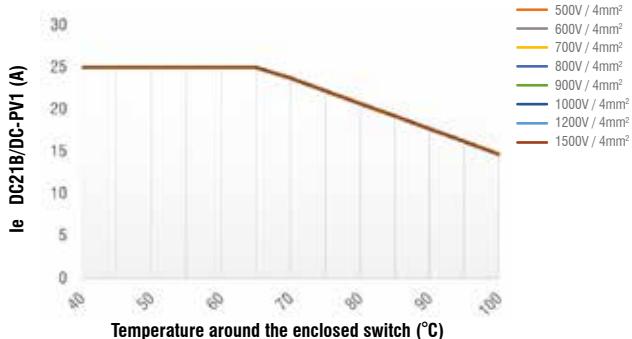
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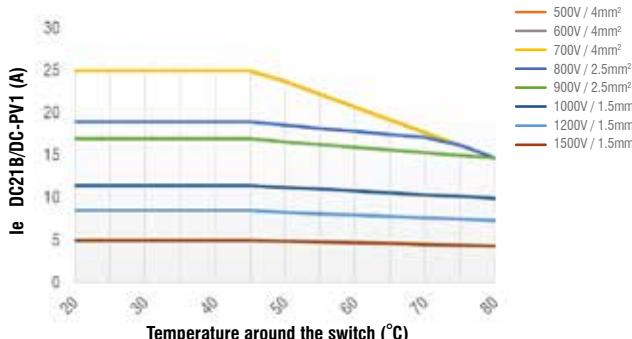
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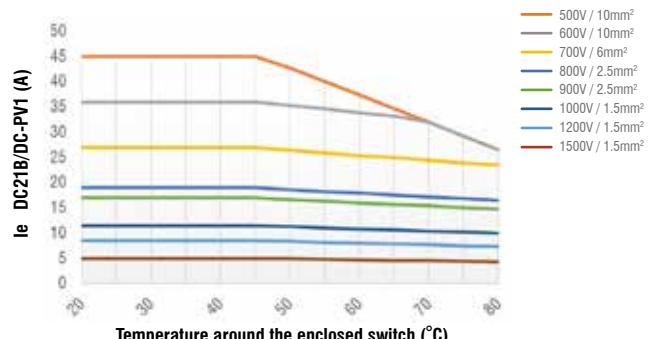
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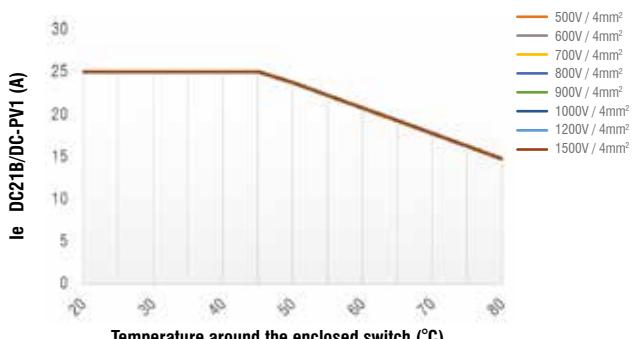
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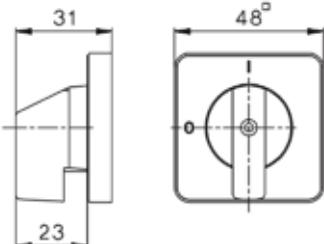


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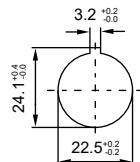
### 48 x 48 Lever Handle



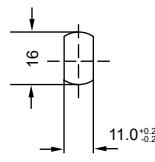
IP66 - NEMA 4X



#### Mounting Hole(s)



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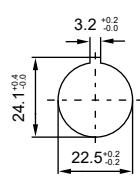
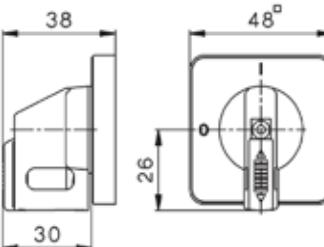


SHMS Version  
(No escutcheon  
plate)

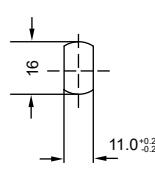
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IP66 - NEMA 4X



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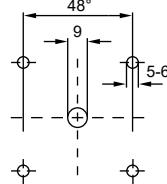
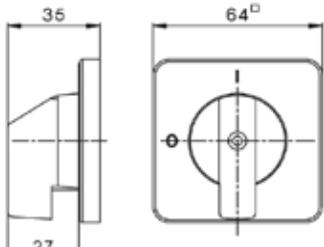


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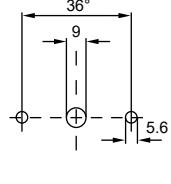
### 64 x 64 Lever Handle



IP66 - NEMA 3R



PM Version

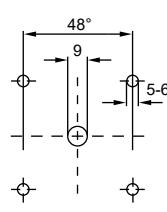
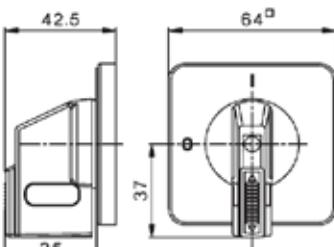


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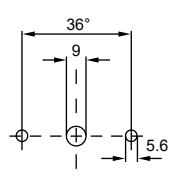
### 64 x 64 Lever Handle with Lockable OFF



IP66 - NEMA 3R



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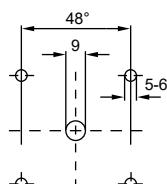
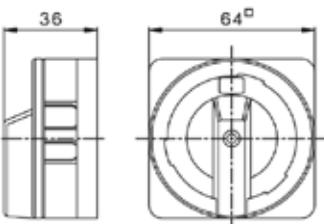


PMT Version

### 64 x 64 Rotary Handle with Lockable OFF



IP66 - NEMA 4X  
(PEL64R version - IP67)



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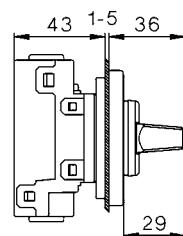
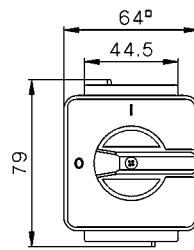
Note: BMDC Version  
only requires central hole

## Dimensions (mm)

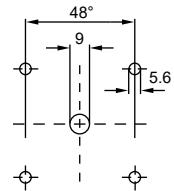
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Panel Mounting

64x64 Escutcheon Plate - 2 Pole



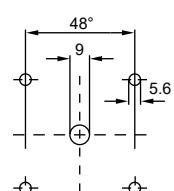
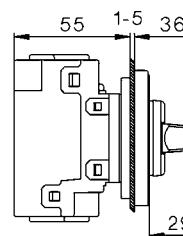
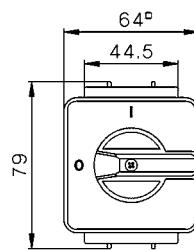
Mounting Hole



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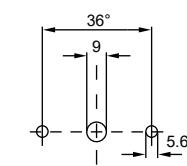
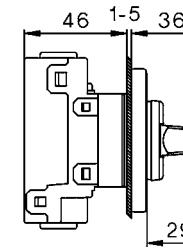
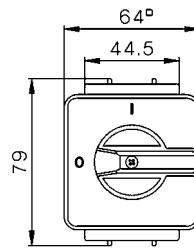
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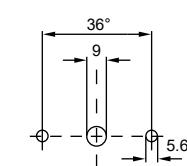
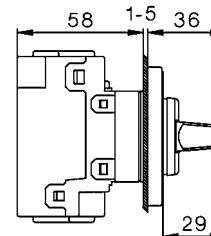
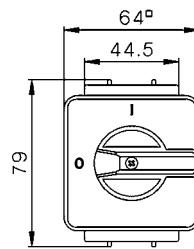
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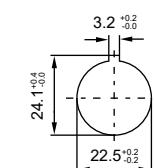
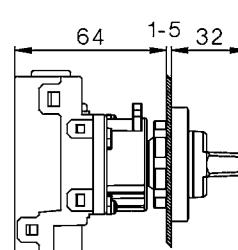
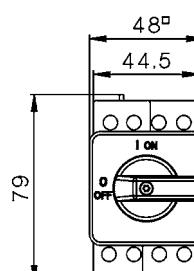
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Single Hole Mounting

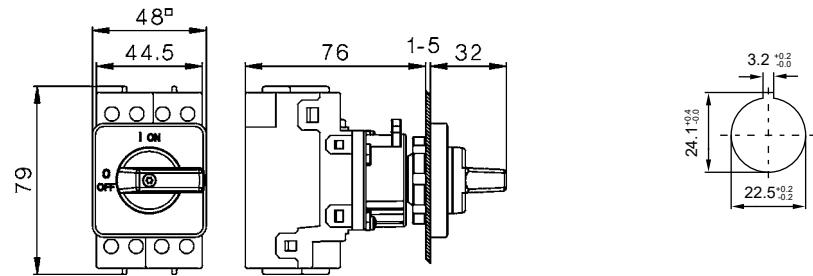
Ø 22.5mm - 2 Pole



## Mounting Hole

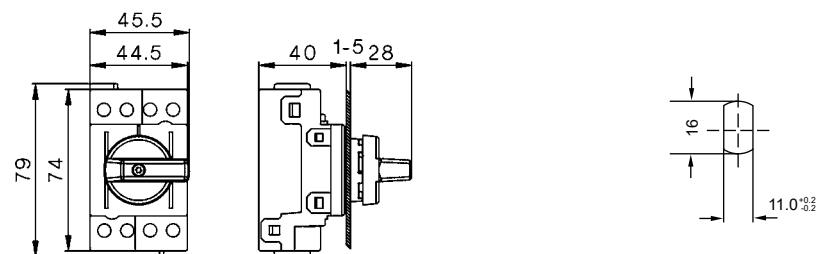
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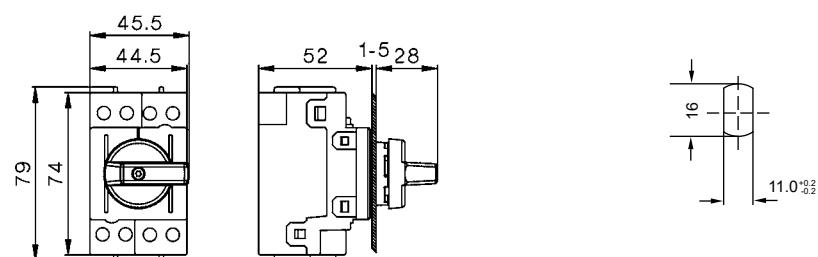
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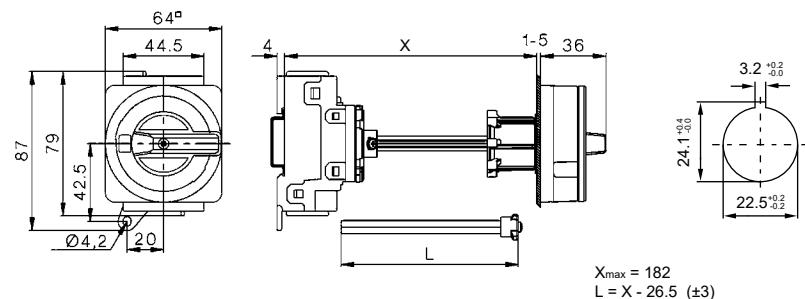
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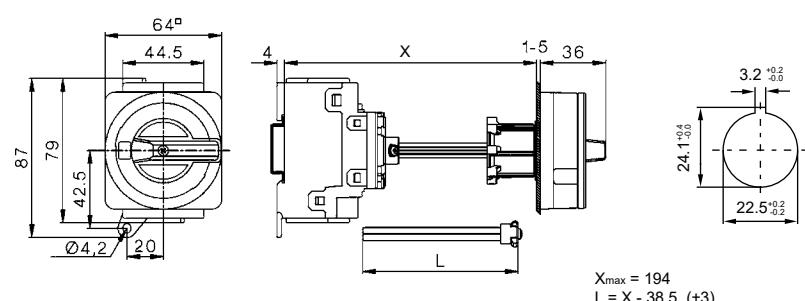
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 64x64 Escutcheon Plate - 2 Pole

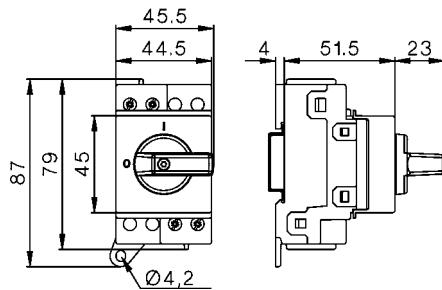


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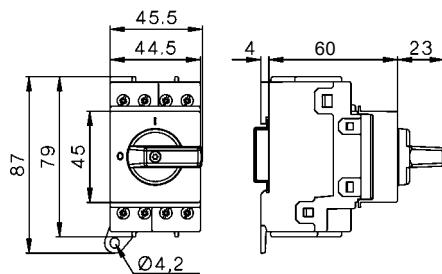
Base Mounting with door coupling  
 64x64 Escutcheon Plate - 4 Pole



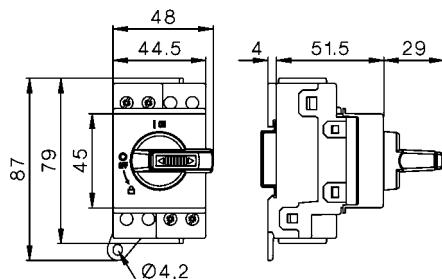
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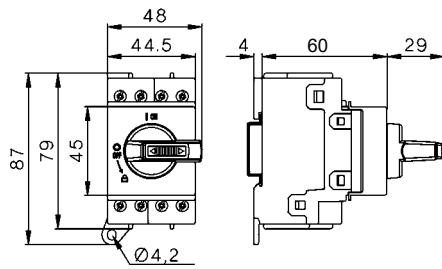
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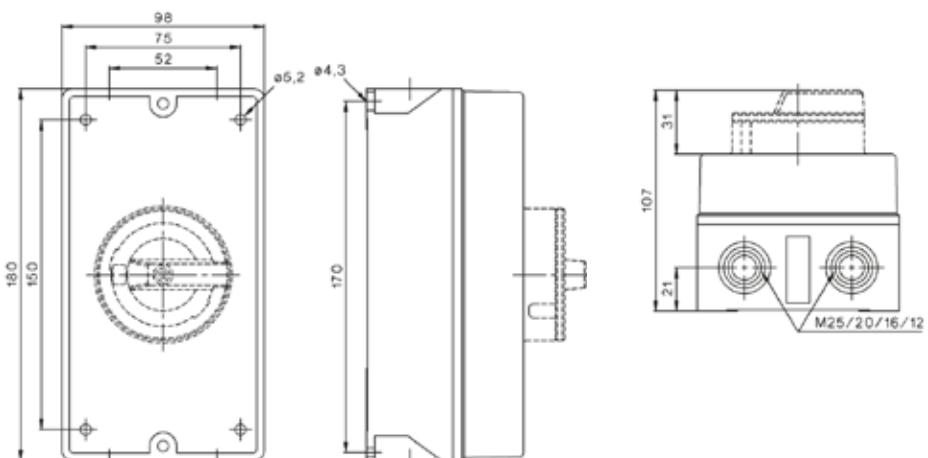
**SIM\*\*-DBL-2**  
Lockable Modular Switch  
2 Pole



**SIM\*\*-DBL-4**  
Lockable Modular Switch  
4 Pole



**SIM\*\*-PEL64R-\***  
Plastic Enclosure



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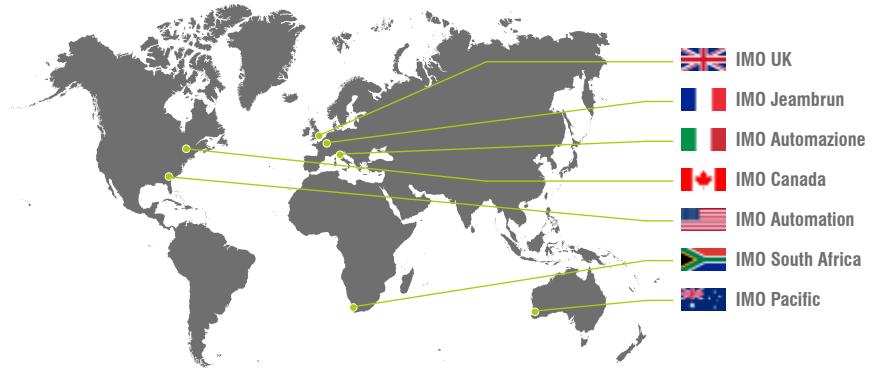
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