

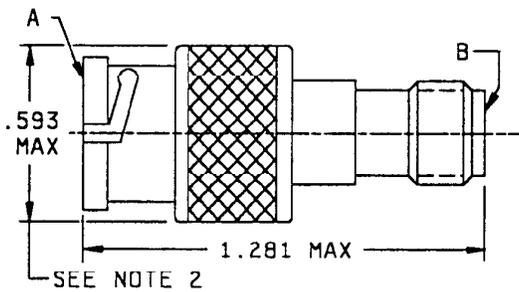
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PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATION  
ADAPTER, CONNECTOR, COAXIAL, RADIO FREQUENCY,  
(BETWEEN SERIES BNC TO SERIES TNC), CLASS 2, STRAIGHT PLUG

This specification is approved for use by all Departments and Agencies of the Department of Defense.

The complete requirements for procuring the connector adapter described herein shall consist of this document and the latest issue of Specification MIL-PRF-55339.



Reference	Series	Contact	Figure
A	BNC	Pin	2
B	TNC	Socket	3

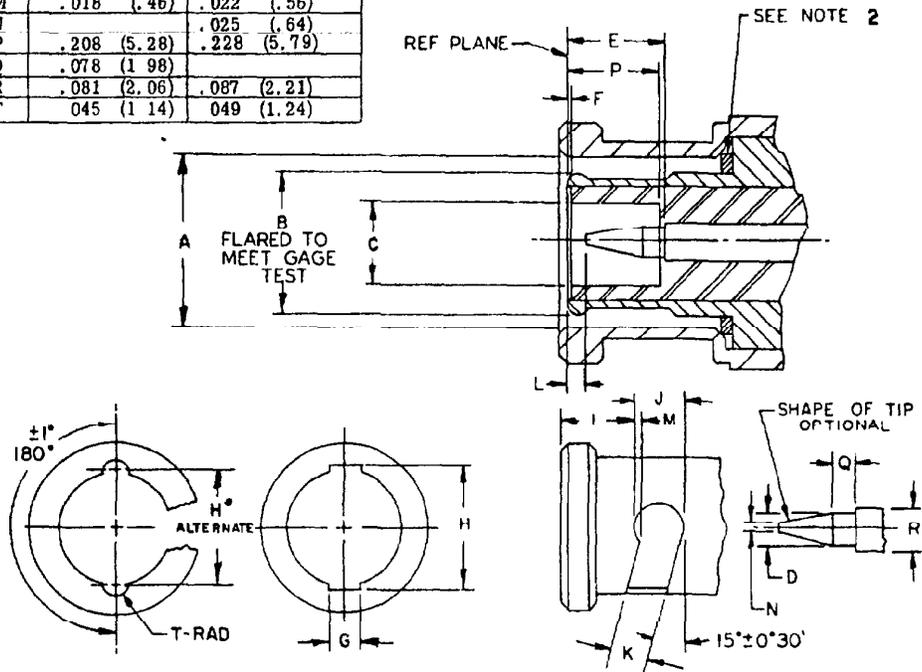
Inches	mm
.381	9.68
.390	9.91
.593	15.06
1.281	32.54

NOTES:

1. Dimensions are in inches
2. This dimension is the largest overall diameter of the connector.
3. Metric equivalents (to the nearest .01 mm) are given for general information only and are based upon 1 inch = 25.4 mm.

FIGURE 1. General configuration.

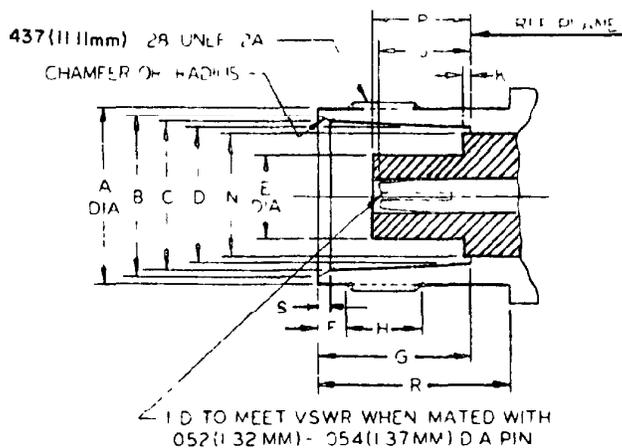
Ltr	Dimensions in inches with metric equivalents (mm) in parentheses	
	Minimum	Maximum
A	.385 (9.78)	.390 (9.91)
B	Gage test	
C	.190 (4.83)	
D	.052 (1.32)	.054 (1.37)
E	.210 (5.33)	.230 (5.84)
F	.006 (.15)	
G	.091 (2.31)	.097 (2.46)
H	.463 (11.76)	.473 (12.01)
H*	.394 (10.01)	.400 (10.16)
I	.180 (4.57)	.184 (4.67)
J	.124 (3.15)	
K	.091 (2.31)	.097 (2.46)
L	.003 (.08)	.040 (1.02)
M	.018 (.46)	.022 (.56)
N		.025 (.64)
P	.208 (5.28)	.228 (5.79)
Q	.078 (1.98)	
R	.081 (2.06)	.087 (2.21)
T	.045 (1.14)	.049 (1.24)



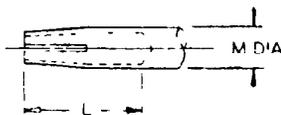
NOTES:

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2. In the mated condition the longitudinal force of the spring of the coupling mechanism shall exceed the pressure exerted by the sealing gasket by an amount necessary to insure butting of the outer contacts at the reference plane

FIGURE 2. Mating dimensions for male terminations.



Ltr	Dimensions in inches with metric equivalents (mm) in parentheses (see note)	
	Minimum	Maximum
A	.378 (9.60)	.381 (9.68)
B	.345 (8.76)	.356 (9.04)
C	.327 (8.31)	.333 (8.46)
D	.319 (8.10)	.321 (8.15)
E		.186 (4.72)
F	.068 (1.73)	.088 (2.24)
G	.329 (8.36)	.333 (8.46)
H	.187 (4.75)	
J	.186 (4.72)	.206 (5.23)
K		.006 (.15)
L	.195 (4.95)	
M	.081 (2.06)	.087 (2.21)
N		.256 (6.50)
P	.188 (4.78)	.208 (5.28)
R	.415 (10.56)	
S	.015 (.38)	.030 (.76)



\*N dimension applies to that portion (if applicable) of the dielectric which protrudes beyond the metal shoulder (or reference plane) by dimension K.

NOTES

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2. All undimensioned pictorial configurations are for reference purposes only

FIGURE 3 Mating dimensions for socket terminations

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DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION:

General configuration: See figure 1.

Impedance: 50 ohms, nom

Working voltage. Sea level - 500 Vrms.  
70,000 feet - 125 Vrms.

Frequency range: 0 to 4 GHz.

Temperature range: -65° to +165°C

PERFORMANCE (installation torque is not applicable).

Dimensions: See figures 1, 2, and 3.

Center contact retention: Axial force - 6 lb, min.  
Torque - Not applicable.

	<u>BNC series</u>	<u>TNC series</u>
Force to engage and disengage. Longitudinal force	3 lb, max	Not applicable
Torque	2 in. lbs max	

Mating characteristics

Center contact (socket) Series TNC

Oversize test pin dia - .057 in., min

Insertion depth - .125 in., min

No. of insertions - 1.

Max test pin (insertion force test)

Steel test pin dia - .054 in., min.

Pin finish - 16 microinches.

Insertion force - 2 lb, max

No. of insertions - 1.

Min test pin (withdrawal force)

Steel test pin dia - .052 in., max

Pin finish - 16 microinches

Withdrawal force - 2 oz, min.

No. of withdrawals - 1.

Outer contact. Series BNC

Min test ring ID - .319 in., max

Pin finish - 16 microinches

Insertion force - 5 lb, max

Insertion depth - .093 in., min

No. of insertions - 1

Max test ring ID - .324 in., min

Test ring finish - 16 microinches

Insertion depth - .031 in., max of their tip end.

No. of insertions - 1.

Permeability <2 0

Seal:

Pressurized - Not applicable

Weatherproof - Not applicable.

Insulation resistance: 5,000 megohms, min.

VSWR 1.25, max at .5 to 4 GHz.

RF leakage (total): -55 dB, min, 2 to 3 GHz

RF insertion loss .2 dB, max, 3 GHz  
 (.115 V  $\sqrt{F(\text{GHz})}$  dB max tested at 3 GHz)

Durability 500 cycles minimum at 12 cycles/min maximum. The connector shall meet the mating characteristics and force to engage and disengage requirements

Dielectric withstanding. Test voltage - 1,500 Vrms, min (sea level)

Contact resistance (milliohms, max)

<u>Contact</u>	<u>Initial</u>	<u>After</u>
Center	2 0	2 5
Outer	0.2	Not applicable

Vibration, high frequency Interruptions - 1 us, max.

Shock Test condition I

Thermal shock Test condition C

Moisture resistance 200 megohms, min

Corona level Voltage - 375 V, min.  
 Altitude - 70,000 feet, min.

RF high potential withstanding voltage RF voltage - 1,000 Vrms, min.  
 Frequency - 5 MHz, min.

Salt spray (corrosion) Test condition B.

	<u>Series BNC</u>	<u>Series TNC</u>
Coupling mechanism retention force	100 lb, min	Not applicable

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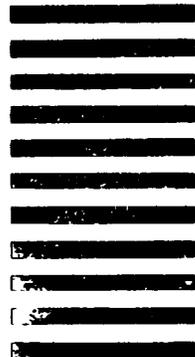


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