





"Posi-R"" is your best choice for quality and reliability.



# High performance achieved through high reliability.

The Nichicon Group has a proven track record in developing products that are both highly reliable and are high performance. These products include aluminum electrolytic capacitors, film capacitors, and circuit products. Among these are the company's positive thermistors, made at Nichicon Kameoka Corporation. Sold under the brand name Posi-R, these positive thermistors stand up to repeated use and offer rapid increase in resistive value in response to temperature rise.

There are three main types of positive thermistor: for heaters, for in-rush current limitation, and for overcurrent protection. Positive thermistors for heaters heat up quickly and evenly until they reach the desired temperature. Positive thermistors for in-rush current limitation come in two types: space-efficient lead type and case type, with both capable of handling continuous current better than cement resistors. The third type is for overcurrent protection are present in the small motors that are ubiquitous in today's automobiles. Particularly popular on the market have been Nichicon's positive thermistors for in-vehicle supplemental heaters and case-type positive thermistors for in-rush current limitations. Thanks to their solid performance, these products have received zero complaints from users and have helped Nichicon form a strong bond of trust with customers.

Used in an increasing number of fields, these positive thermistors are used in; automobiles, air conditioners, lighting products, and office equipment. Discover for yourself the practically unlimited possibilities of Nichicon's Posi-R positive thermistors.

Positive Thermistors "Posi-R<sup>®</sup>" Curie temperature 50° to 240°C

> for Heater



**Specifications** 

◎ Rated Voltage : 12 to 220V

Resistance : 0.5 to 2kΩ
 Resistance value changes at rated voltage

# This type thermistor heats up quickly and evenly until reaching the desired temperature.

One of the main types of thermistors, those used for heaters, has a proven track record in in-vehicle supplemental heaters.

# [How it works]

Thermistors for heaters require safety and power saving performance. The Posi-R quickly heats up when current flows through it. The Posi-R reaches the heating temperature evenly throughout its entire structure. The heating temperature can be controlled by adjusting the construction of Posi-R's material make-up. In addition, because Posi-R maintains a constant temperature thanks to a balance between heat generation and heat dissipation, it will not exceed the heating temperature.

# [Record on the market]

Posi-R has a proven track record for in-vehicle applications, a field where reliability is of the utmost importance. It is widely used as the heat-generating element in supplemental heaters used in hybrid vehicles and other eco-cars.

# [Features]

- Quickly heats up to desired temperature.
- Its temperature is uniform and never gets red hot, making it very safe.
- Posi-R's self-temperature-control effect prevents excessive heating.
- The Posi-R's self-temperature-control function ensures power savings.
- · Users can select their desired temperatures.

# Applications

- In-vehicle supplemental heaters
- Facial massage heaters
- Condensation-prevention heaters for office equipment
- Clothes drying heaters
- Defrost heaters for refrigerators



Temperature quickly rises, and temperature and power usage are constant.



[Thermistor for in-vehicle heater] Posi-R is used as the heat generating element in heater units.





# Positive Thermistors "Posi-R<sup>®</sup>"

Stability and safety maintained even under abnormal conditions.

for In Rush Current Limitation, General Use



**Specifications** 

- ◎ Rated Voltage : 100 to 240V
- Resistance : 15 to 100Ω
   Resistance value changes at rated voltage

# Case type and lead type Superior to the competition in durability and space efficiency

Highly durable case type Space-efficient lead type Two types for in-rush current limitation

# [How they work]

In-rush current limitation requires a high level of reliability. In these applications, the Posi-R is used in switch parts and parallel connection. When the power circuit is turned on and in-rush current is applied to the Posi-R, this current is quickly contained, thus protecting the secondary electronic equipment. Even during irregularities of continuous application of voltage, the Posi-R provides stability and safety by ensuring a constant temperature.

# [Record on the market]

Posi-R is used in lighting product power circuits, which are frequently turned on and off. Posi-R has one of the highest shares\* in the Japanese market for thermistors for air conditioner power circuits.

\* As of April 2017; according to Nichicon

# [Features]

- Unlike cement resistors, these thermistors will not melt or short even when voltage is continuously applied after a switch part breaks down.
- Space efficient
- Because the thermistors have recovery properties, they can withstand continuous use.

# **Applications**

- Indoor and outdoor units for commercial air conditioners
- Indoor and outdoor units for room air conditioners
- Lighting products for offices
- EcoCute systems
- Switching power supplies

[Voltage application time and product temperature]





Compared to cement resistors, will not rise in temperature even under continuous current flow.



[Example of circuits used in]



More space efficient than cement resistors



Positive Thermistors "Posi-R<sup>®</sup>" Low specific resistance means wider current range

# for Overcurrent Protection



Specifications
Rated Voltage : 12 to 220V
Resistance : 0.3 to 1kΩ Resistance value changes at rated voltage

# Hard at work in small automobile motors, positive thermistors bring comfort to passengers.

Protects the motors in door locks, power windows and other small motors used in automotive applications.

# [How it works]

The Posi-R for overcurrent protection must be able to withstand repeated operation. The Posi-R controls the element and thus contains the current. As a result the current can be contained repeatedly after the current value returns to normal. The Posi-R is thus superior to fuses and polymer-based PTC's. A fuse will "blow" when exposed to irregular current and is no longer useful.

Polymer-based PTC, will change usage conditions the more it is used.

# [Record on the market]

Posi-R is mainly used to protect small motors for in-vehicle applications (door mirrors, door locks, etc.), where products must withstand repeated use; and in air conditioner circuits (inverter control circuit boards, outdoor unit fan motors, etc.).

# [Features]

- Ability to withstand repeated use means there's no need to replace it like with fuses.
- Offers superior repeated use since it's non contact.
- Usage conditions won't change even after repeated usage.
- No faulty operation due to noise.

# **Applications**

- Door locks
- Door mirrors
- Vacuum cleaner power brushes
- Telephones
- Air conditioners
- Car audio systems

[Current-Time properties]



Current is contained in case of irregularity and circuit is thus protected.



[Example of circuits used in]







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