Bayonet thermocouple
Model TC53

Applications
- Plastics processing machinery
- Injection moulding machinery
- Cylinder heads and oil sumps in engines
- Bearings
- Pipelines and vessels

Special features
- Sensor ranges up to max. 1,200 °C (2,193 °F)
- Single and dual thermocouple
- Good heat transfer through adjustable spring-loading
- Easy installation and removal, no tools needed
- Explosion-protected versions

Model TC53 with optional threaded nipple

Description

Probe
This cable thermocouple feature a bayonet-type probe connection. TC53 series thermocouples can be mounted into drilled holes without thermowells, e.g. into machine components.

Cable
There are various insulating materials available to match different environmental conditions. The free ends of the cable are made up ready for connection, or can be fitted with connectors or sockets as optional extras.
**Explosion protection (option)**

The permissible power, $P_{\text{max}}$, as well as the permissible ambient temperature, for the respective category can be seen on the EC-type examination certificate, the certificate for hazardous areas or in the operating instructions.

The internal inductance ($L_i = 1 \, \mu\text{H/m}$) and capacitance ($C_i = 200 \, \text{pF/m}$) for cable probes are found on the product label and they should be taken into account when connecting to an intrinsically safe power supply.

**Note:**
When mounting thermometers with flying leads, installation personnel must ensure that installation is carried out properly and in compliance with the appropriate regulations. If the cable ends of the thermomter are within the hazardous area, suitable adapters/connectors must be used. Flying leads must be connected outside the hazardous area or, when operated in a dust explosive atmosphere, within an enclosure which is certified.

The connection of a thermocouple to a transmitter must be made with shielded cable. The shield must be electrically connected to the case of the grounded thermometer. It should be ensured that there is equipotential bonding on installation, so that no balancing current can flow via the shield. Here, in particular, the installation regulations for hazardous areas should be followed!

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**Approvals (explosion protection, further approvals)**

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- RoHS directive  
- ATEX directive (option)  
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    - Zone 0 gas  
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    - Zone 1 gas  
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    - Zone 21 mounting to zone 20 dust  
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    - Zone 22 dust | European Union |
| ![IECEx](image) | **IECEx (option)**  
(in conjunction with ATEX)  
Hazardous areas  
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| INMETRO (option) | Hazardous areas | Brazil |
| Zone 0 gas | [Ex ia IIC T3 ... T6 Ga] |
| Zone 1 mounting to zone 0 gas | [Ex ib IIC T3 ... T6 Ga/Gb] |
| Zone 1 gas | [Ex ib IIC T3 ... T6 Gb] |
| Zone 20 dust | [Ex ia IIIC T125 ... T65 °C Da] |
| Zone 21 mounting to zone 20 dust | [Ex ib IIIC T125 ... T65 °C Da/Db] |
| Zone 21 dust | [Ex ib IIIC T125 ... T65 °C Db] |

| NEPSI (option) | Hazardous areas | China |
| Zone 0 gas | [Ex ia IIC T3 – T6] |
| Zone 1 mounting to zone 0 gas | [Ex ia/ib IIC T3 – T6] |
| Zone 1 gas | [Ex ib IIC T3 – T6] |

| KCs - KOSHA (option) | Hazardous areas | South Korea |
| Zone 0 gas | [Ex ia IIC T4 ... T6] |
| Zone 1 gas | [Ex ib IIC T4 ... T6] |

| PESO (option) | Hazardous areas | India |
| Zone 0 gas | [Ex ia IIC T1 ... T6 Ga] |
| Zone 1 mounting to zone 0 gas | [Ex ib IIC T3 ... T6 Ga/Gb] |
| Zone 1 gas | [Ex ib IIC T3 ... T6 Gb] |

| DNOP - MakNII (option) | Hazardous areas | Ukraine |
| Zone 0 gas | [II 1G Ex ia IIC T3, T4, T5, T6 Ga] |
| Zone 1 gas | [II 2G Ex ia IIC T3, T4, T5, T6 Gb] |
| Zone 20 dust | [II 1D Ex ia IIC T65, T95, T125 °C Da] |
| Zone 21 dust | [II 2D Ex ib IIC T125 ... T65 °C Db] |

| GOST (option) | Metrology, measurement technology | Russia |
| KazinMetr (option) | Metrology, measurement technology | Kazakhstan |

| MTSCHS (option) | Permission for commissioning | Kazakhstan |

| BelGIM (option) | Metrology, measurement technology | Belarus |
| UkrSEPRO (option) | Metrology, measurement technology | Ukraine |
| Uzstandard (option) | Metrology, measurement technology | Uzbekistan |

Instruments marked with “ia” may also be used in areas only requiring instruments marked with “ib” or “ic”. If an instrument with “ia” marking has been used in an area with requirements in accordance with “ib” or “ic”, it can no longer be operated in areas with requirements in accordance with “ia” afterwards.

Approvals and certificates, see website
Maximum working temperatures

The maximum working temperature for these thermometers is limited by different parameters. If the temperature to be measured inside the sensor measuring range is higher than the permissible temperature at the connection cable, the connector or the transition point, the metallic part of the sensor (mineral-insulated cable) must be long enough to place the critical components outside of the hot zone. The lowest of the maximum working temperatures of process connection, connection line, cable transition or connector must be observed here.

■ Sensor (thermocouple)

The temperature ranges indicated on page 4 refer to the operating range of the thermocouple. These measuring ranges depend on the selected thermocouple and the selected accuracy class.

Operation outside the measuring range defined for the given thermocouple type and class can result in a damage to the thermocouple.

■ Connection cable and single wires

At any point on the connection cable, the maximum temperature that may be attained is that for which the connection cable is specified. The sensor itself (see page 5) can potentially withstand higher temperatures.

For the common connection lines the following maximum operating temperatures apply:

- PVC: -20 ... +100 °C
- Silicone: -50 ... +200 °C
- PTFE: -50 ... +250 °C
- Fibreglass: -50 ... +400 °C

Since, in the tubular design variant, an isolated cable is also fitted within the metal probe, the operating limits of the connection cable apply.

■ Transition from the metal part of the thermometer to the connection cable

The temperature at the transition is further limited by the use of a potted sealing compound.

Temperature range of the potting compound: -40 ... +150 °C
Option: 250 °C
(other variants on request)

Temperature range of the special low-temperature version:
-60 ... +120 °C 1)

1) only available with selected approvals

■ Connector (option)

With the option of a coupler connector fitted the maximum permissible temperature range is:

- Lemosa: -55 ... +250 °C
- Binder: -40 ... +85 °C
Transition

The junction between the metal part of the probe and the connecting cable or wire is either rolled or potted, depending on the design. This area should not be immersed within the process and must not be bent. Compression fittings should not be attached to the transition. The type and dimensions of the transition depend largely on the combination between input leads and metal probe and the sealing requirements.

The dimension T describes the length of the transition.

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<th>Criterion</th>
<th>Dimensions</th>
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<td>7</td>
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2) With a large number of wires (e.g., 2 x 3-wire and shielding)

IP ingress protection

Bayonet thermocouples can be delivered with up to IP65 (dependent on cable sheath material and number of wires). With a special design, IP67 is also possible on request.

Connection leads with a glass-fibre sheath cannot be combined with an explosion-proof version.

Cable

Wire material: Compensating cable depending on type of sensor (stranded wire)
Wire cross-section: approx. 0.22 mm²
Number of wires: According to the number of sensors
Abschirmung: Optional
Wire ends: Blank

Connecting cable

There are various insulating materials available to match different environmental conditions. The free ends of the cable are made up ready for connection, or can be fitted with connectors or sockets as optional extras.
Process connection

Bayonet cap on the probe, with matching threaded nipple for screw-fitting to a solid body (process).

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Material: Brass, nickel-plated
Dimensions in mm

Bayonet cap fixed to the end of the spring (sheathed cable design)

Probe tip, flat

Legend:
Ø d  Probe diameter
L  Probe length
W  Cable length
Ø FD  Spring diameter
A  Insertion length
X  Probe extension
T  Transition sleeve
SD  Spring length

Probe tip, chamfered

Bend protection optional, but mandatory for Ex n

Probe tip, round
Bayonet cap adjustable on the spring (sheathed cable design)

Probe tip, flat

Legend:
Ø d   Probe diameter
L     Probe length
W     Cable length
Ø FD  Spring diameter
A     Insertion length
X     Probe extension
T     Transition sleeve
SD    Spring length

Bayonet cap adjustable on the spring (sheathed cable design)

Probe tip, chamfered

Bend protection optional, but mandatory for Ex n

Probe tip, round

Legend:
Ø d   Probe diameter
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W     Cable length
Ø FD  Spring diameter
A     Insertion length
X     Probe extension
T     Transition sleeve
SD    Spring length
Bayonet cap adjustable on the spring (cable through to the probe tip)

Legend:
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- Ø FD  Spring diameter
- A  Insertion length
- X  Probe extension
- T  Transition sleeve
- SD  Spring length
**Connector (option)**

Bayonet thermocouples can be supplied with connectors fitted. The following options are available:

- **Screw-in-connector, Binder (male)**
- **Screw-in-connector, Binder (female)**
- **Lemosa connector size 1 S (male)**
- **Lemosa connector size 2 S (male)**
- **Lemosa coupling size 1 S (female)**
- **Lemosa coupling size 2 S (female)**
- **Standard thermo connector 2-pin (male)**
- **Standard thermo connector 2-pin (female)**
- **Miniature thermo connector 2-pin (male)**
- **Miniature thermo connector 2-pin (female)**
- **Spade lugs**  
  (not suitable for versions with bare connecting wires)

Other connector variants (sizes) on request.
Electrical connection

Cable
Marking of wire ends see table

Lemosa connector, male at the cable
max. permissible temperature range:
-55 ... +250 °C

Binder connector
Series 680, Series 423 (shielded), male at the cable (screw-in-connector)
max. permissible temperature range:
-40 ... +85 °C

Electrical connection

Single thermocouple

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Colour code of cable

For further information on colour codes see Technical information IN 00.23 at www.wika.com.

Other coupler connectors and pin assignments on request.
### Certificates (option)

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Other certificates on request.