Commercial Duct Heaters
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Choosing Open Coil or Finned Tubular Design

Brasch manufactures both open coil (Figure 1) and finned tubular (Figure 2) heating elements and can supply virtually any duct heater with either type of element. While most simple space heating applications use the open coil design, there are many applications where finned tubular construction is appropriate. The following are the significant advantages of each type of construction.

Open Coil

![Open Coil Image]

Only the highest Grade A resistance wire (80% nickel, 20% chromium) is used in all Brasch duct heaters. This iron-free wire has a higher maximum operating temperature, greater life, lower sag, less resistance change and higher corrosion resistance than other commonly used resistance wires.

Using calibrated tooling, the coils are mechanically crimped into stainless steel terminals. This connection, along with 10-32 terminal threads and stainless steel connection hardware, insures cool, minimum resistance, trouble free terminations.

An extended shank on the terminal places the critical resistance coil-to-terminal connection well out into the airstream to keep it cool even in applications where up to 1” of interior insulation is used in the duct.

Both terminal insulators and coil support insulators are fabricated from high-temperature ceramic. Their design and method of installation enable them to: 1) absorb both mechanical and thermal loading without chipping or cracking and 2) easily withstand high voltage dielectric tests.

Element Temperature – The open coil element releases its heat directly into the airstream. As a result, the open coil runs cooler than the coil in the finned tubular element which is isolated from the air by insulation and a metal sheath.

Low Pressure Drop – Because of the high percentage of open space across the heater, open coils have very low pressure drop as compared to finned tubular heaters. This can result in reduced fan motor horsepower and makes it possible to retrofit open coil heaters into existing systems without changing the fan motor.

Finned Tubular

![Finned Tubular Image]

Finned tubular elements are designed and built by Brasch to meet the requirements of each job. Length, wattage, voltage and element style are engineered to give the most economical package.

All elements consist of a Grade A coil (80% nickel, 20% chromium), precisely centered in a stainless steel tube which is filled with granular magnesium oxide. The entire assembly is compacted to maximize both the heat transfer and dielectric properties of the magnesium oxide. After compaction the tube measures 0.475” (12 mm) O.D., an unusually large diameter providing sufficient insulation for operation up to 600 volts.

A stainless steel fin is helically wound onto the tube to increase its heat transfer surface.

Brasch has standardized on stainless steel for its finned tubular elements because of its superior resistance to moisture and corrosion.

Straight, Two-Pass and U-Bent elements are furnished with mounting flanges, making them individually removable through the terminal box.
Safety – Because the heating coil is completely encased in a grounded metal sheath, shock hazard due to accidental contact with the coil is eliminated. Heaters installed close to a register, grille, or access door should either use finned tubular construction or an open coil unit with a protective screen.

Airflow Contamination – If airborne contamination, such as dirt or dust, builds up on open coil elements during shutdown periods, the elements can short out. Finned tubular elements, with their insulated coils, eliminate this problem. Furthermore, upon start-up, a finned tubular heater which has been exposed to droplets of water in the airstream (e.g. immediately downstream from a spray type humidifier, a cooling coil, or a fresh air intake) cannot short to ground as open coils can when support bushings are wet.

Serviceability – In the unlikely event of element failure, it is easier to replace individually mounted finned tubular elements than open coil elements.

Mechanical Stability – Finned tubular elements are more rugged than open coils. They will withstand more physical abuse.

Airflow Uniformity – Finned tubular duct heaters tend to be more tolerant of nonuniform airflow conditions. Heat conducted along the element length reduces or eliminates hot spots resulting from nonuniform airflow. With open coil heaters, it may be necessary to use a pressure plate to compensate for bad airflow conditions.

Controllability – Because of their relatively high thermal inertia, finned tubular elements controlled with on/off thermostat systems provide more precise control. Furthermore, finned tubular elements cycle at a reduced rate, thus increasing the life of the power components such as contactors. Nevertheless, when SCR controllers are used, equally precise control can be obtained with either construction.

Calculating KW Requirements
Once the volume of airflow (CFM – in cubic feet per minute) and the required temperature rise (ΔT – in degrees F) through the heater are known, the required kilowatt rating (KW) of the heater can be determined from the formula:

$$KW = \frac{CFM \times \Delta T^\circ F}{3193}$$

Where the desired heating capacity in BTU/Hr is known, the KW is determined from the following formula:

$$KW = \frac{BTU/Hr}{3412}$$

Static Pressure Drop
Static pressure drop through an open coil heater is quite low and, in most cases, can be ignored when calculating system pressure drop. The pressure drop across a finned tubular heater is greater than across an open coil.

However, if pressure plates must be added to an open coil, the pressure drop over the open coil far exceeds the drop over a finned tubular heater. The curves in Figure 3 give data for all three constructions.

Figure 3.
**Specific Requirements**

**Minimum Velocity**

Electric heaters differ from steam or hot water coils in that the heat output is constant as long as the heater is energized. Therefore, sufficient airflow must be provided to prevent overheating and nuisance tripping of the thermal cutouts. The minimum required velocity is determined from Figure 4A or 4B on the basis of entering air temperature and KW per square foot of cross sectional duct area.

The maximum air inlet temperature for open coil heaters is 100°F (38°C) and for finned tubular heaters is 80°F (27°C).

Example: Determine whether the minimum air velocity requirement is met for a 10 KW open coil heater installed in a 24” wide x 12” high duct operating with 1000 cubic feet per minute (CFM) of air at a maximum inlet temperature of 65°F:

1. Duct Area = 24” x 12”/144 = 2 sq. ft.
2. KW per square foot = 10 KW/2 sq. ft. = 5.
3. Go to Figure 4B. Use top curve (below 80°F inlet air). Find 5 KW per square foot on the vertical axis. Read minimum velocity required, which in this case is 310 feet per minute (FPM).
4. Heater air velocity = 1000 CFM/2 sq. ft. = 500 FPM. Since 500 FPM exceeds the minimum, this installation is safe. Consult your local Brasch representative for assistance if you do not have sufficient air velocity.

**Maximum Velocity**

High velocity airflow is not normally encountered in typical commercial HVAC applications, when installing open coil duct heaters into velocities over 1200 feet per minute contact your local Brasch representative.

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Figure 4A.

Figure 4B.
Airflow Uniformity

To prevent hot spots, airflow must be uniformly distributed across the heater face. Figure 5 illustrates typical heater misapplications which result in non-uniform airflow. The heater’s UL Listing requires that it not be installed closer than 4’ (122 cm) downstream or upstream from a fan outlet, abrupt transition, or other obstructions. Elbows or turns must be located at least 4’ (122 cm) from inlet of the heater and 2’ (61 cm) from outlet of the heater.

If such an installation cannot be avoided, consult your local Brasch representative for assistance. We can provide a pressure plate, non-heated zones or special low watt density coils to overcome these problems. Final approval of such applications is up to the local inspection authority.

Figure 5.
Specific Requirements

Multiple Heaters in the Duct

Brasch heaters are not designed for series installation in a single duct. Since Brasch heaters can be furnished in virtually any size and KW rating, series installation of heaters can be avoided.

For very large heaters, field installation and shipping may be simplified by using two or more sections as illustrated by Figure 6. Each section, furnished in the flanged design, has its own set of thermal limit controls. Terminal blocks are provided to interconnect these cutouts in the field. Sections rest stably one on top of the other.

Heaters more than 6’ (152 cm) high are normally provided in sections, but larger single section heaters can be provided. Consult your local Brasch representative for details.

Clearance

Brasch heaters are UL Listed for zero clearance to combustible surfaces. Thus, there is no minimum distance between combustible materials and the section of duct housing the heater, or the heater itself. However, the terminal box must be accessible for servicing. The NEC requires a minimum workspace at least 30” (76 cm) wide by 42” (107 cm) deep for access to the heater terminal box. More space is required for large heaters and for removal of slip-in heaters which are over 42” long.

In addition, sufficient clearance must be provided for convection cooling of all heaters with built-in SCR power controllers (Figure 7). Allow at least 5” (12.7 cm) of free air space around the cooling fins extending from the heater terminal box. Enclosing the fins in any fashion, insulating them, or preventing them from being cooled by normal convection may cause controller failure and void the heater warranty.

Figure 6.

Figure 7.
UL and NEC Requirements

All Brasch electric duct heaters described in this catalog meet the requirements of Underwriters Laboratories (UL) and the National Electrical Code (NEC) unless otherwise indicated.†

Heaters furnished with one of the Control Options on pages 10 and 11 are automatically UL Listed and meet NEC requirements. Custom designed heaters must meet certain requirements to comply with UL and the NEC. The areas of particular concern are outlined below.

Overtemperature Protection – Duct heaters must be supplied with both primary and secondary overtemperature protection. All Brasch heaters are provided with both automatic and manual reset thermal cutouts to serve this function.

Airflow Interlocks – An airflow interlock must be provided to keep the heater from operating with extremely low or no airflow. Brasch’s standard, a built-in differential pressure airflow switch described on page 15, senses static pressure in the duct as an indicator of airflow. Separate wiring to the fan motor or its controls is unnecessary.

Alternative methods for detecting airflow include:
1. The fan relay, described on page 15, provides a positive electrical interlock with the fan circuit.
2. A separate contactor, built into the duct heater, can energize the fan when the duct heater is on.
3. A terminal block to allow field connection of external contacts that close the circuit only when the fan is operating.

Contactors – Contactors connected to the primary thermal cutout and airflow interlock safety circuits must be provided by the duct heater manufacturer. Effective June 2009 UL requires that all open coil element duct heaters be furnished with disconnecting type controlling, safety and backup contactors breaking all ungrounded conductors. Practically speaking, this means that all, but small 120 and 277 volt single-phase open coil heaters, must be supplied with either disconnecting contactors built into the heater terminal box or into a remote panelboard. Brasch’s standard is to supply de-energizing contactors, which break only one line of single-phase circuits and two lines of three-phase circuits. Disconnecting contactors are available with finned tubular heaters if required.

Overcurrent Protection – For heaters drawing more than 48 amps, the duct heater manufacturer must provide some means of overcurrent protection either built into the terminal box or a remote panelboard. While fuses or circuit breakers are available to meet this requirement, Brasch’s standard is fuses.

Disconnecting Means – All duct heater installations require a disconnecting means at or within sight of the heater controls. We recommend that a built-in, snap-acting, door interlocking disconnect switch with marked “on” and “off” positions with lock-out tag-out feature be specified on all duct heaters. This insures the ultimate in safety, since the heater and built-in controls cannot be serviced without turning the disconnect switch off. It is also far less expensive than one obtained and installed in the field.

International Requirements

Brasch heaters can be supplied to operate from any electrical system throughout the world. Single and three-phase voltages through 600 volts are available. As described on pages 24 through 31, all type HUA and HUP standard heaters are available in 380, 400 or 415 volt, three-phase ratings. All Brasch heaters will operate on either 50 or 60 Hz.

Brasch electric duct heaters are available with Canadian Standards Association (CSA) and Canadian Electric Code (CEC) approvals. Consult your Brasch representative for information and availability.

† Although UL requirements are uniform throughout the country, local electrical codes may deviate from the NEC. For information on local requirements, consult your Brasch representative.
Installation Information

Heater Installation
Slip-in heaters slide through a rectangular opening in the side of the duct per Figure 8. The heater is designed for 1/4” (6.35 mm) clearance around the inside of the duct. Slip-in construction is normally preferred for ducts up to 4’ (122 cm) wide, but can be furnished for any width. The heaters are held in place with sheet metal screws through the back of the terminal box into the duct. However, if the duct is over 3’ (91 cm) wide, supporting rails in the bottom of the duct are recommended.

Flanged heaters are attached to matching external duct flanges per Figure 9. The heaters are secured by using either sheet metal screws or bolts and nuts through the flanges.

A special flanged construction installed with conventional HVAC slip-and-drive connectors is also available. See page 37 for details.

Either flanged or slip-in heaters can be installed in fiberglass ducts as illustrated in Figure 10. Note that a sheet metal liner must be installed into the fiberglass duct work, extending at least 6” (152 mm) beyond the heater terminal box on both sides, more if required for structural rigidity.

Field Wiring
Built-in power terminal blocks are sized for incoming copper conductors with 75°C insulation, rated to carry 125% of the heater load. However, lines may be sized to carry 100% of the heater load if a) the heater is rated at 50 KW or more, and b) the heater is controlled by a cycling device, such as a multi-staged thermostat, step controller, or SCR power controller. Terminal blocks and knockouts on such heaters will accommodate either 100% or 125% conductors. See Table I for field conductor and conduit sizing up to 500 MCM wiring. For higher amperages, terminal blocks are furnished for two or more parallel conductors per phase.

In general, aluminum conductors are not recommended and terminal blocks are not sized for aluminum. Consult your Brasch representative if aluminum wire is specified for a particular job.
Field control wiring should also be copper conductors with 75°C insulation. Thermostat circuits for SCR's and step controllers are NEC Class II. Many small heaters with 24 volt control circuits are also NEC Class II. When Class II wiring is permissible, it will be shown on the wiring schematic. Other control circuits are NEC Class I.

When control power is taken from the heater’s load circuit lines, Brasch provides for the overcurrent protection of all control circuits, as required by NEC or UL. When control circuit power is obtained from a separate source outside the heater, it is necessary for the installer to provide overcurrent protection for all control conductors.

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*These tabulations are based on Table 310.15 (B) (16) of the NEC. Not more than 3 conductors in a raceway; 75°C rated copper wire.
Internal Wiring
Copper wire with a minimum of 105°C insulation is used throughout. Connections are made with either box lugs or connectors crimped on with calibrated tooling. Terminal blocks are provided for all field control and power wiring.

Brasch developed the Control Option concept to maintain compliance with changing UL and NEC requirements and to stay current with new duct heater temperature control systems. The concept has also been broadened to include numerous “Special Features” to meet a wide variety of special requirements.

Control Option G – Basic
Control Option G is a basic package designed for normal comfort heating applications – i.e., those that do not require pneumatic control or the unique features of SCR control. With Option G, the temperature is controlled by a pilot duty thermostat or a step controller.

Control Option G includes the following:

- **Automatic and manual reset thermal cutouts** to protect against overheating. The automatic reset cutout is wired into the control circuit; the manual reset de-energizes the heater load.
- A differential pressure **airflow switch** to de-energize the heater control circuit upon loss of airflow.
- **Magnetic contactors** for each heater stage.
- **Fuses** to protect each circuit in any heater drawing more than 48 amps.
- A control circuit **transformer**, with 24 or 120 volt secondary as specified, including any overcurrent protection required by UL or the NEC.
- A built-in, snap-acting **disconnect switch** with door interlock to protect service personnel.

Control Option J – Pneumatic
Control Option J is designed for pneumatic temperature control.† The contractor need only connect one air line and the main power lines to the heater.

Option J includes the following:

- **Automatic and manual reset thermal cutouts** and a differential pressure **airflow switch**. The manual reset thermal cutouts always de-energize the heater load. The automatic reset cutout and airflow switch are normally wired in the control circuit.
- **PE switches** to control heater staging. To minimize field labor, multiple PE switches are factory-piped to a single port projecting through the terminal box. All PE switches close on pressure rise and open upon loss of pressure to de-energize the heater.
- **Magnetic contactors** on all Option J heaters.
- **Fuses** to protect each circuit in any heater drawing more than 48 amps.
- A **transformer**, with any overcurrent protection required by UL or the NEC, to supply the internal control circuit of heaters rated above 277 volts. All other heaters have line voltage control circuits.
- A built-in, snap-acting **disconnect switch** with door interlock to protect service personnel.

† Where more than six stages of pneumatic control are required, specify Option G with a step controller and pneumatic transducer as Special Features. Such a heater will function in the same manner as Option J with a maximum of 20 stages.
Control Option K – Proportional

Control Option K is designed for the most precise temperature control, using SCR proportional power controllers and a matching electronic thermostat. For heaters above the KW ratings in Table III, an electronic step controller is also provided. It works with the SCR to provide vernier proportional control. For more details on this system, see page 20.

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In addition to these electronic components, Control Option K includes the following:

- **Automatic and manual reset thermal cutouts** and a differential pressure airflow switch. The manual reset thermal cutouts always de-energize the heater load. The automatic cutout and airflow switch are normally wired in the control circuit. However, when single-phase KW ratings do not exceed the values in Table IV, the automatic reset cutout carries the heater load directly and the airflow switch either carries the load directly or is wired into the control circuit of the SCR, eliminating the need for magnetic contactors.

- **Safety magnetic contactors** controlled by the automatic reset cutout, for each heater circuit, when the KW exceeds the ratings in Table IV.

Wiring Diagrams

Typical wiring diagrams for many of the commonly used control options are located on pages 56 – 58. These diagrams of open coil and finned tubular heater constructions are intended to provide general component arrangements and wiring information. Specific wiring diagrams will be attached to the inside of the enclosure doors for each heater and remote panelboard and are available with certified prints.

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Standard Control Options Thermostats

Room Thermostats

Single Stage, Catalog No. 1006998
- Non-digital, non-programmable, snap-acting bimetal, mercury free, SPST, with positive off single stage
- Range: 50° to 90°F (7° to 32°C)
- Accuracy: ±3°F (±1.5°C)
- Color: White
- Inductive Rating: 1.2 amp at 30 volts max
- Offered with duct heater selection

Figure 11.

Single Stage, Catalog No. 1023721
- Digital, with programmable 5-1-1 day program or 5-2 day program, mercury free
- HEAT-OFF-COOL-AUTO-EM and fan AUTO-ON selections - CIRC- follow schedule
- Easy to read backlit display
- Range: 40° to 90°F (4.5° to 32°C)
- Accuracy: ±1°F (±0.5°C)
- Color: White
- Inductive Rating: Hardwire, two wire heat only Class II circuit, 1.0 amp at 30 volts max
- Special Order

Figure 12.

Two Stage, Catalog No. 1007030
- Digital, non-programmable, mercury free
- COOL-HEAT-OFF EMERGENCY HEAT and fan AUTO-ON selections
- Easy to read backlit display
- Range: 40° to 90°F (4.5° to 32°C)
- Accuracy: ±1°F (±0.5°C)
- Color: White
- Inductive Rating: Hardwire, three wire heat only Class II circuit, 1.0 amp at 30 volts max

Figure 13.

Two or Three Stage, Catalog No. 1023723
- Digital, with programmable 5-1-1 day program or 5-2 day program, mercury free
- HEAT-OFF-COOL-AUTO EMERGENCY HEAT and fan AUTO-ON - CIRC- follow schedule selections
- Easy to read backlit display
- Range: 40° to 90°F (4.5° to 32°C)
- Accuracy: ±1°F (±0.5°C)
- Color: White
- Inductive Rating: Hardwire, three or four wire heat only Class II circuit, 1.0 amp at 30 volts max

Figure 14.

Electronic Thermostat, Catalog No. 1031404
- TA167 Thermostat is proportional 1-10 VDC
- Range: 50° to 90°F
- For use with Brasch controllers

Figure 15.

PE Transducer

Catalog No. 1020887
- Built into heater terminal box
- PSIG range: 0 to 15
- Throttling range: 1 – 12 psi
- Maximum pressure: 25 psi
- Type: Ohmic – 135 ohms
- For use with Brasch SCR’s and step controllers

Figure 16.
Duct Thermostats

**Single Stage Heavy Duty, Catalog No. 1023953**

- Liquid filled sensing element with snap-acting contacts
- Range: -30° to 100°F
- Differential: 3 to 12°F between stages
- Bulb Dimensions: \( \frac{3}{8} \)" x 4"
- Capillary Length: 8’
- Resistive Rating: 22 amps, 120 to 277 volts

![Figure 17.](image)

**Two Stage Light Duty, Catalog No. 1007044**

- Two single-pole, double throw switches
- Adjustable by screw on graduated cam dial
- Range: 55° to 85°F
- Differential: 2°F between stages
- Bulb Dimensions: \( \frac{5}{8} \)" x 11\( \frac{1}{16} \)"
- Capillary Length: 5'6"
- Resistive Rating per Heater Stage:
  - 3.2 amps at 120 volts
  - 1.6 amps at 240 volts

![Figure 18.](image)

Electronic Thermostat

**Catalog No.: Sensor, 1031407**

- Adjuster, 1001068
- Range: 50° to 90°F
- Type: Ohmic – 2200 ohms
- For use with Brasch controllers

![Figure 19.](image)

Electronic Proportional

**Catalog No.: Sensor, 1001083**

- Adjuster, 1001068
- Range: 60° to 120°F
- Type: Proportional 0-10 VDC
- For use with Brasch controllers

![Figure 20.](image)
Brasch offers a broad range of electrical components for temperature, safety, and power control.

For most applications, the Control Option system, described in the previous section, makes it easy to specify a complete control package.

For applications requiring a special control system, the following section describes components, their applications, and limitations.

**Bi-Metallic Thermal Cutouts**

Both UL and NEC require thermal cutout protection against overheating due to insufficient airflow, air blockage or air failure. Two levels of protection are provided:

**Figure 22.**

The primary or automatic reset thermal cutout (Figure 22) is a fixed temperature, bi-metallic disc type device which opens when its set point is reached and automatically resets when the temperature falls below its set point. The operating disc and contacts are completely enclosed to prevent infiltration of dirt or physical damage. This single pole device is most often wired into the heater control circuit, but will carry single-phase loads up to 25 amps at 240 volts and 22 amps at 277 volts (See Table V). Most heaters have only one automatic reset thermal cutout. However, on large heaters, two or more may be supplied, wired in series.

**Figure 23.**

The secondary manual reset thermal cutout (Figure 23) has a temperature setting approximately 50°F (28°C) higher than the automatic reset cutout to provide protection only if the primary system fails. Once it has tripped, it is necessary to press a reset tab to return the heater to operation.

Open coil heaters use a cutout rated to carry the maximum heater circuit load allowed by UL and NEC: 48 amps at 480 volts. One cutout is supplied for each heater circuit, or group of circuits, drawing 48 amps or less.

Many manufacturers use heat limiters or fusible links which require field replacement when an overtemperature condition occurs. This often involves removing the heater from the duct and always involves ordering replacement heat limiters from the manufacturer. With Brasch’s manual resets, the heater can immediately be put back into operation, simply by pressing the reset button.

There is no danger that backup protection will be lost because replacement heat limiters are not available. Furthermore, the services of a qualified electrician are not required, since maintenance personnel can easily reset the manual cutouts.

**Linear Thermal Cutouts**

**Figure 24.**

The linear thermal cutouts (both automatic and manual reset) sensing element (Figure 24) is a fluid-filled capillary tube, strung across the entire heater width. If any 6” (152 mm) segment of the capillary is overheated, the cutout will de-energize the entire heater, providing additional protection if the airflow is...
A manual secondary linear limit cutout protects against failure of the primary overtemperature system. With a fixed temperature setting higher than either of the primary cutouts described above, this device is designed to trip only if both of the primary cutouts stick in the closed position, or controlling contactor points weld together.

Airflow Switch

A diaphragm operated differential pressure switch (Figure 26) is normally used to prevent a heater from operating unless air is flowing. The switch is provided with a velocity pick-up tube extending into the duct area, making it sensitive to static pressure as well as velocity pressure.

The switch requires at least .07" (17.4 Pa) of water column pressure difference between the inside and the outside of the duct. If the pressure is below .07", a fan relay should be substituted as described below.

Airflow switches are normally connected for positive pressure – i.e. for a heater located on the discharge side of a fan. If the heater is on the suction side, the switch may be specified or field converted for negative pressure. In most applications the airflow switch is wired into the heater control circuit, but it can carry the heater load directly up to 15 amps at 277 volts, single-phase.

Fan Relay

A fan relay is available as an alternate to the standard airflow switch. It has the advantage of being a positive electrical interlock between the fan and the heater (see Figure 27 for wiring details). Its primary disadvantages are that it requires field wiring back to the fan control circuit and does not protect against conditions such as belt failure. When a fan relay is required, specify the fan starter control voltage. If not specified, it will be assumed to be the same as the heater control voltage. Both a fan relay and an airflow switch can be furnished.
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Magnetic Contactors

All magnetic contactors supplied by Brasch are UL Recognized for limit control duty, as opposed to less severe, general purpose duty. De-energizing contactors, break one power line on single-phase circuits and two lines on three-phase. Disconnecting contactors, break all ungrounded conductors, one power line on 120 and 277 volt single-phase, two power lines on 208 and 240 volt single-phase and all lines on three-phase. Both de-energizing and disconnecting contactors are available with ratings up to 600 volts. Contactors are available with holding coil voltages of 24, 120, 208, 240 or 277.

Control Transformer

Built-in control transformers are available to supply either 24 or 120 volt control circuits. The transformer primary is factory connected to the main supply and the secondary is wired directly to the built-in control components. Overcurrent protection and secondary grounding are provided when required by UL and the NEC.

Disconnect Switch

Built-in disconnect switches are an inexpensive, positive way to meet the NEC requirement for a disconnecting means within sight of the heater, controller(s), and overcurrent protection devices. The switches are interlocked with the heater terminal box cover and have labeled “on” and “off” positions. If there are any external sources of control voltage, a separate toggle switch is provided. Together these devices result in a “dead front” design to protect service personnel. Both fused (up to 48 amps) and unfused switches are available. However, unfused switches are most often specified, as they meet code safety requirements.

Fuses

Low resistance fuses are mounted in phenolic fuse blocks fitted with extra tension springs to assure cool connections. To protect against faults in both contactors and heating elements, fuses are located on the line side of contactors built into heaters. To meet NEC requirements for continuous loads, fuses are rated at least 25% above the load they are protecting.
Pilot Lights

Pilot lights, projecting through the side of the heater terminal box, indicate functional operation. The most commonly specified functions are:

**Heater On** — This indicates that power has been supplied to the heater, but does not necessarily indicate that the control system is calling for heat or that heat is being produced.

**Low Airflow** — This indicates that there is either no airflow, or it is so low that the airflow switch has prevented the heater from operating.

**Each Stage On** — These indicate when each heater stage has been energized. Not available with SCR controlled stages.

**Overtemperature** — This indicates when the automatic reset thermal cutout has tripped due to an overtemperature condition. Only available with custom heaters.

Pilot Switch

A pilot switch is a simple means of de-energizing the heater between seasons or during prolonged shut-downs. The switch is wired in series with contactor holding coils. It cannot be used as a disconnecting means and is therefore labeled with “on” and “standby” positions. If disconnecting contactors are also specified, the switch will have a labeled “off” position in accordance with UL and NEC provisions.

Pneumatic/Electric (PE) Switches

Built-in and pre-wired PE switches are available for pneumatic control systems. To minimize field labor, all PE switches are factory piped to a single port projecting through the terminal box. Pneumatic connections may, therefore, be made without interfering with electrical connections. Standard switches close on pressure rise, resulting in a fail-safe system since a loss of pressure de-energizes the heater. “Open on rise” switches are available on custom heaters for special applications.

PE switches can either be used as pilot duty devices, or to carry heater loads up to 22 amps, 480 volts, single-phase.

PE switches are limited to six stages, because it is difficult to calibrate more switches and still maintain proper staging. For more than six stages, specify a step controller (described on pages 19 and 20) with a pneumatic transducer (described on page 13).
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Electronic Controls
Brasch designs and manufactures the electronic controls supplied with Brasch duct heaters. Controllers manufactured by Brasch have a proven track record of reliability and performance. For custom control application requirements, please contact factory for design options.

Brasch duct heaters may be specified with either SCR power controllers or electronic step controllers. While inherently different, these devices have certain common characteristics:

- Safety – All Brasch electronic control devices are UL Recognized and evaluated for use as a component of Brasch duct heaters.
- Input Flexibility - While normally supplied with a room thermostat, these devices can interface with many field supplied ohmic sensors or electronically generated control signals, such as proportional mA or DC voltages.
- Low Voltage Control – NEC Class II field wiring may be used for the input control signal circuits of all devices.
- High Ambient Temperature Rating – All units are designed for full load operation in high ambient temperatures, making them particularly suitable for use in duct heater and remote panel applications.
- Fail Safe Circuitry – In the event of either a short or open circuit in the input signal leads, all controls de-energize the heaters in order to prevent runaway overheating conditions.
- LED Indicators – LED pilot lights are provided on all controls. For SCR power controllers, the LED is provided to give indication of percentage power output being supplied to the heater. On step controllers, LED indicators are used to convey both operating status and troubleshooting information.
- Continuous Feedback – Logic and control circuits continuously monitor the input signal to provide precise temperature control.

SCR power controllers are provided in many different configurations to support applications in indoor, outdoor and dusty environments. Field selectable inputs are provided to support 4-20 mA, 0-10 VDC, 135 ohm and 2200 ohm signals.

SCR Power Controllers

SCR power controllers modulate the entire heater load between 0-100%. Working on a one second time base, the heater will only be energized for the number of AC cycles necessary to produce the exact required amount of heater resulting in very precise temperature control using the least amount of energy. The resulting precision and rapid response make the Brasch SCR the preferred choice for many heating applications.

The SCR relays are mounted to a finned heat sink which extends outside the heater terminal box or control panel. The heat sink has been specifically designed for maximum heat dissipation. The combination of a conservative SCR rating (no more than 75% of the relay manufacturer’s rating) and an efficiently designed heat sink ensure a long component life by protecting against overheating and SCR failure.

Both single and three phase SCR controllers are available in a master or slave configuration. Each master is capable of driving up to three slaves, giving maximum capability for 100%, fully proportional SCR control. However, when the load exceeds that tabulated in Table III on page 11, it is more economical to utilize...
an Brasch step controller with a slave SCR wired in a vernier control configuration. See page 20 for details.

The SCR is switched on only as the voltage wave form crosses the zero point, which virtually eliminates radio frequency interference (RFI). All 480 and 600 volt SCRs have a 1200 peak inverse voltage (PIV) rating and transient absorbers that provide protection from high voltage spikes that can be present in 480 and 600 volt lines.

Except on single-phase heaters where the total load can be carried directly by the automatically resettable thermal limit control (see Table V, page 14), all heaters with SCR’s require the limit control to be wired in series with the coil of one or more safety contactors.

The S10 Series step controller is a UL recognized low voltage 24 VAC microcomputer-based stage controller designed to provide low cost precision control for multi-stage applications. Some noted features are:

- Capable of controlling 24, 120 or 240 VAC loads
- 10 stage controller with a pulsed 12 VDC vernier stage rated at 100 mA.
- Up to 20 stages of control when using two units wired in a master & slave configuration
- 24 VDC power supply rated at 200 mA is available for an external sensor.
- Field selectable standard temperature control inputs to support input devices for 4-20 mA, 0-10 VDC, 0-20 VDC, 2200 ohm, 135 ohm and a 3-wire remote thermostat with 0-10 VDC output.
- Supports field selectable custom VDC input ranges with low and high setpoints anywhere between 0-19 VDC.
- Stage delay settings for both ‘ON’ and ‘OFF’ operation can be individually set in the field at any value between 1 second and 10 minutes.
- Functional test mode operation and LED indictators provided for use in troubleshooting.

Step Controllers

Figure 36. S10 Electronic Sequencers

Upon momentary power interruption, the controller will de-energize in order to avoid heavy line surges and to provide a soft start when power is restored.
Step Controllers

Brasch’s S5 Series step controller is a low voltage Class II, 24 VAC microcomputer-based stage controller designed to provide low cost precise control for multi-stage applications.

- Capable of controlling 24 VAC loads
- 5 stage controller with a pulsed 12 VDC vernier stage rated at 100 mA.
- Up to 10 stages of control when using a slave unit
- Field selectable standard temperature control inputs to support input devices for 4-20 mA, 0-10 VDC and a 3-wire remote thermostat with 0-10 VDC output.
- Field adjustable 1-75 second ‘ON’ and ‘OFF’ stage delay.

Vernier Proportional Control:

The S5 and S10 Series step controllers support a 12 VDC pulsed vernier stage to operate a slave SCR controller. This will result in more precise temperature control than is otherwise possible with a standard on-off step controller. The slave SCR power controller provides proportional control (0-100% load) between the switching of the step controller stages.

Recommended for large KW heaters, the economical vernier control system offers many of the advantages of a full heater SCR control. One vernier heater stage is connected to a slave SCR controller. Additional stages are sequenced on and off while the SCR vernier stage fills the gap between the step controlled stages. This provides full proportional control over the entire heater KW range. Both the SCR vernier stage and the step-controlled stages are controlled by the electronic step controller. The vernier system is normally recommended for three-phase heaters drawing more than 96 amps and single-phase heaters drawing more than 192. (see Table III, page 11)

For proportional vernier control systems used with building management systems, Brasch recommends that the SCR stage be sized the same KW as the stepped-stages for optimum control. See Figure 39.

Multi-stage discharge temperature control of a duct heater may produce unacceptable temperature swings, resulting in poor comfort levels and an inefficient use of energy. The multi-stage controller produces a stepped output KW profile as it switches stages of heat on and off in response to varying input control signals. See Figure 38. The same heater using an SCR controller on a one second time base will produce a temperature profile that closely follows the temperature set point. This has the result of providing stable and even heat distribution for maximum comfort and efficiency. See Figure 39.

Sequence Control without Vernier:

Sequence Control with Vernier:
Thermostats and Sensors for Electronic Controls

An electronic proportional room thermostat (page 12, Figure 16) is standard for all Brasch SCR and electronic step controllers. A duct type sensor is also available (page 13, Figure 21).

When a field-supplied sensor is used, the sensor can be specified with any of the inputs listed in Table VI:

Table VI
Available Input Signal Types for Brasch Controllers:

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1. All inputs listed in the table above are available with HUA and HUP type heaters. These inputs plus a variety of other inputs are available with custom heaters.

2. Standard input impedance is 10KΩ for VDC inputs and 250Ω for mA inputs

Custom Control Capabilities

While standard Brasch SCR’s and step controllers satisfy the majority of HVAC applications, a much broader range of special capabilities are also available with Brasch custom heaters. Some typical examples are:

- Fan Motor Hookup and Protection – In addition to control of the heater, it is often desirable to branch the fan motor power from the heater supply circuit. The heater is designed so that the electrician brings only one power circuit into the heater wiring enclosure which is then internally subdivided for fan power. The motor starter, overloads and overcurrent protection for the auxiliary fan motor circuit will be provided.

- Low Limit Discharge Control – A thermostat is placed in the occupied area which has primary control of the heater. A second thermostat is wired in parallel and placed in the discharge duct. This second thermostat will override the room thermostat and is set to keep the discharge air temperature above a predetermined temperature. This prevents cold air from being discharged into the occupied area.

- Temperature Averaging – Multiple sensors, with a single set point, are placed in different zones or in several locations of a large area, such as a warehouse. The controller averages the readings of all the sensors to determine the heater output. This design can be used in the hot deck of multizone units.
Slip-in heaters are designed so that the entire frame, except the terminal box, slips into the duct with 1/4" (6.35mm) clearance all around. It is installed, as shown in Figure 8 on page 8, through a rectangular opening in the side of the duct and held in place with sheet metal screws through the back of the terminal box, which is large enough to provide a seal with the duct. Figure 40 illustrates the construction and provides reference dimensions.

Slip-in construction is used because it allows duct work to be installed before the heaters are available, simplifies on-the-job changes in heater location, and is easily retrofitted into existing duct systems. Furthermore, small slip-in heaters may be installed without any special provisions for their support.

While custom slip-in heaters can be provided to fit specific duct dimensions (W x H), selecting standard open coil type HUA heaters maximizes economy and minimizes delivery times.

Flanged construction is available with inside face dimensions exactly matching the duct dimensions. The heater frame is attached to matching turned out duct flanges as illustrated in Figure 9 on page 8. Standard flanges are a minimum of 3/4" deep; deeper flanges are provided on larger heaters for structural reasons. Custom flanges can be provided upon request. Figure 41 illustrates flanged heater construction and provides reference dimensions.

Standard HUP flanged heaters are available to meet many of the commonly used duct sizes. Listings of the available sizes are shown on page 25. Full range of control options and construction features are offered.

Zero Clearance Construction

Slip-in and flanged heaters are UL Listed for zero clearance, allowing combustible material to be placed directly against surrounding duct work. Although this construction is not required by UL on heaters above 50 KW, Brasch supplies it on all heaters regardless of KW. However, incorrect mounting will void the UL Listing, and may make the installation unsafe.
Physical Standards

Heater Frame and Terminal Box

Frames and terminal boxes are fabricated from heavy gauge corrosion resistant steel. Optional stainless steel frames are recommended for wet or corrosive applications. Standard NEMA 1 type terminal boxes have hinged covers.

Knockouts are provided for all field connections. Open coil heater element support brackets are spaced on 4.5” (114 mm) maximum centers to avoid coil sag, even under the most extreme operating conditions. Strengthening ribs on the brackets insure that coils are held in their proper location, even on large heaters.

Finned tubular heater element support brackets are spaced on 36” (914 mm) maximum centers.

Standardized dimensions and terminology avoid errors and confusion. The most common dimensions are defined in Figures 40 and 41.

Figures 42 and 43 illustrate airflow terminology. Most Brasc open coil type heaters are suitable for horizontal or vertical airflow, but for finned tubular type heaters or heaters with pressure plates, exact airflow direction (right, left, up or down) must be specified.

In most heaters, the terminal box is significantly larger than the heater frame, in at least one direction. This is referred to as the terminal box overhang, defined in Figures 42 and 43. For horizontal airflow, left overhang is standard. For vertical airflow, up overhang is standard. Optional right and down overhangs are also available.
Standard Duct Heater Open Coil

HUA Slip-In and HUP Flanged Heaters

Figure 44.

Brasch has developed HUA (Figure 44) and HUP (Figure 46) heater lines to satisfy most typical space heating requirements, simplifying specification, ordering and delivery.

Both standard and quick ship delivery programs are available for the full line of HUA and HUP heaters.

KW Ratings

HUA and HUP heaters are available up to 456 KW. The KW ratings are limited both by frame size and electrical characteristics. Heater availability can be determined by contacting an Brasch representative, who can provide a computerized heater selection with exact heater dimensions in minutes.

Frame Sizes

The use of a standard open coil HUA slip-in heater will both reduce cost and permit rapid shipment. HUA frame sizes range from the smallest at 8” wide by 6” high to the largest 48” wide by 40” high or 72” wide by 30” high. The HUA offering has been opened up to allow for any duct size in between these sizes and includes fractional widths and heights dimensions (i.e. 24.625” by 17.25”). Brasch can manufacture a custom slip-in frame size if your requirements exceed the HUA offering.

The 80% Rule – Brasch recommends the heater should occupy at least 80% of the actual inside area of the duct, as shown in Figure 45. Only small amounts of air will bypass the heater around its perimeter and normal turbulence will rapidly mix this unheated air with heated air downstream.

Figure 45.

All HUA heaters may be installed in ducts with up to 1” of interior lining, but the heater must be selected to fit the inside duct dimensions. For example, to fit a duct with 36” x 16” outside dimensions, but with 1” of interior insulation, specify a 35” x 14” heater.

HUP flanged open coil heater frame sizes range from the smallest at 8” wide by 6” high to the largest at 48” wide by 38” high or 72” wide by 28” high or any duct size in between these sizes (i.e. 35.75” by 27.75”).

Figure 46.
### Table VII

Commonly used duct widths and heights are shown in the charts below, in-between widths and heights are also available as standard HUA (slip-in) and HUP (flanged) duct heaters.

#### Sizes and Maximum KW Ratings

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Note: Maximum KW ratings may vary based on voltage and phase combinations.

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**Type HUA**

**Slip-in Heater**

Maximum KW ratings in available frame sizes shown at left.

![Figure 47. Installation of Slip-in Heater](image)

**Type HUP**

**Flanged Heater**

Maximum KW ratings in available frame sizes shown at left.

![Figure 48. Installation of Flanged Heater](image)
Detail Dimensions
The wide variety of HUA and HUP (Figures 47 and 48) heaters makes it impractical to list the exact heater dimensions for every possible heater. For dimensional details, contact your local Brasch representative.

Voltage and Phase
Heaters are available in the voltage and phase combinations shown below. All are for operation at 50 or 60 Hz.

When three-phase is specified, each heating stage will be furnished with a multiple of three elements to give a balanced three-phase load.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Voltage</th>
<th>120 208 240 277</th>
<th>208 240 380 400 415 480 600</th>
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<tr>
<td>Phase</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
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Table VIII

Control Options & Special Features
HUA and HUP heaters are available with Control Options G, J and K and a full range of Special Features. These are described briefly in Table VIII and in more detail in the standard Control Options section of this catalog, pages 10 and 11.

Number of Heating Stages
Single and three-phase HUA and HUP heaters are available with multiple heating stages. To comply with our UL and NEC maximum circuit sizes, no stage is rated at more than 48 amps.

Control Circuit Options & Special Features

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Control Option</th>
<th>Disconnect Switch</th>
<th>Thermal Cutouts</th>
<th>Airflow Switch</th>
<th>Contactors</th>
<th>Control Transformer</th>
<th>Fuses</th>
<th>PE Switches</th>
<th>SCR</th>
<th>Thermostat</th>
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<tr>
<td>G Basic</td>
<td>■</td>
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<td>J Pneumatic</td>
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<td>K Proportional</td>
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Notes:
1. Fuses supplied only on heaters over 48 amps.
2. Contactors supplied only when other devices cannot carry heater load.
3. Transformer only supplied on heaters rated higher than 277 volts.
4. Choice of room or duct thermostat, 135 ohms, 2200 ohms, 0-10 VDC or 4-20 mA inputs.

See pages 12 and 13 for full description of thermostats.
Special Features

While HUA slip-in and HUP flanged heaters may be specified with one of the standard control circuit options, individual job requirements may demand slight variations from the standards. The most common variations are covered by Brasch’s set of Special Features which may be used to modify HUA/HUP heaters both mechanically and electrically. These are listed in Table IX with a brief description, availability, and notes on any limitations of their use.

Table X provides a summary of thermostats offered with Brasch HUA/HUP heaters. See pages 12 and 13 for more detailed descriptions.

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<th>Special Features</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Mechanical</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Horizontal Airflow</td>
<td>U8</td>
<td>Allows heater to be used in applications where airflow is either right (U4) or left (U6)</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vertical Airflow</td>
<td>U9</td>
<td>Allows heater to be used in applications where airflow is either vertical up (U3) or vertical down (U5.)</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pressure Plate</td>
<td>V1</td>
<td>40% open perforated plate installed onto the inlet side of the heater frame to help even out irregular airflow patterns.</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>Available on all heaters. Exact airflow direction must be specified U3, U4, U5 or U6.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Protective Screen</td>
<td>V/V2</td>
<td>Wire mesh screen for attachment to the heater frame. Can be furnished for one or both sides.</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>Available on all heaters. Screens are shipped loose for field installation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stainless Steel Frame and Terminal Box</td>
<td>H2</td>
<td>Heater frame and terminal box constructed of 304 stainless steel.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aluminized Steel Frame and Terminal Box</td>
<td>H1</td>
<td>Heater frame and terminal box constructed of aluminized steel.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Insulated Duct Construction for Slip-in Heaters</td>
<td>GG2</td>
<td>Used in ducts lined with more than 1” thick interior insulation. Inside duct dimensions and insulation thickness must be specified. Maximum 6” thick lining.</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Unheated Sections</td>
<td>G2</td>
<td>Extended terminal pins to provide an unheated section adjacent to the heater terminal box. Maximum extended terminal pin length of 6”.</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Substitute Negative Pressure Switch</td>
<td>Q5/Q6</td>
<td>Allows heater to be used on inlet side of fan.</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Right/Down Terminal Box Overhang</td>
<td>L4/L5</td>
<td>Heater will be supplied with terminal box overhang on right (if horizontal airflow installation) or downward (if vertical airflow installation).</td>
<td>23</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Insulated Terminal Box</td>
<td>B2</td>
<td>Prevents condensation inside terminal box when heater is installed in air conditioning duct running through un-airconditioned area.</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dust-Tight Terminal Box</td>
<td>B7</td>
<td>Allows installation in dusty areas and satisfies local codes requiring dust-tight box, if installed in area used as return air plenum.</td>
<td>34</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Remote Panelboard</td>
<td>B5</td>
<td>All controls except thermal cutouts, airflow switch and pilot switch will be supplied in a separate NEMA 1 panelboard.</td>
<td>37</td>
<td>Available on all heaters except when transformer and contactors are deleted.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Electrical</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Add “Stage On” Pilot Light(s)</td>
<td>P1</td>
<td>To indicate when each heating stage is producing heat.</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>Available on all heaters except Option K SCR stages.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Add “Low Airflow” and “Heater On” Pilot Lights</td>
<td>P2, P3</td>
<td>Separate pilot lights to indicate that power has been supplied to the heater, that it is ready for operation, and whether airflow has been interrupted.</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>Available on all heaters. When fan relay has been substituted for airflow switch, only “Heater On” will be supplied.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fan Relay</td>
<td>N(000)</td>
<td>When static pressure in the duct is too low (below .07” WC) to operate the airflow switch or when airflow switch is not desired. (000) denotes holding coil 24, 120, 208, 240, or 277 volts.</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>Available on Option G &amp; K heaters except Option G heaters where deletion of contactors and transformers is specified.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Add Brasch Electronic Step Controller</td>
<td>S</td>
<td>Allows better temperature control of high capacity heater by using multiple stages controlled by electronic thermostat and step controller.</td>
<td>19-20</td>
<td>Only available on Option G heaters with 2 or more heating stages.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Low Watt Density Coils</td>
<td>D3, D4</td>
<td>To meet specifications which call for low watt density coils.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Add Built-in PE Transducer</td>
<td>E32, S19</td>
<td>To allow for pneumatic control.</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>Available on Option K heaters or Option G heaters with step controller and 6 or more stages.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transformer Primary Fusing</td>
<td>T1</td>
<td>Standard for all heaters with 120 VAC and Class I control circuits. Available with all heaters with 24 VAC and Class II control circuits.</td>
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<td>Available with all heaters with built-in transformer.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Delete Transformer</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td>Allows control circuit to be obtained from source outside the heater or, when line voltage is equal to control voltage, directly from power lines within the heater.</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Only available on Option G heaters. Must be specified if control voltage is not 120 or 24 volts. Customer must specify control volts.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Delete Transformer &amp; Contactors</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td>Allows for control of heater directly using load carrying thermostats.</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Available only on single stage, single-phase, Option G heaters with KW not exceeding the following.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Transformer Secondary Fusing</strong></td>
<td>T3</td>
<td>External fused and grounded transformer secondary for Class II 24 volt control circuits.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Additional User Control Circuit Voltage</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td>Heater control circuit transformer sized for additional user VA. A control terminal block is furnished for field connection.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Available on all heaters. Consult factory for 1 week or 72 hour heater availability.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Delete Disconnect</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td>Allows for use of field installed disconnecting means. (Must be within sight of the heater.)</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Fused Disconnect Switch</strong></td>
<td>Q1</td>
<td>Door interlocking disconnect with line fusing for heaters loads up to 48 amps or less.</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Linear Limit Automatic Reset Thermal Cutout</strong></td>
<td>Z/Z1</td>
<td>Automatic reset linear limit thermal cutout wired in series with the disc type automatic reset to provide redundant primary over temperature protection.</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>Available on all heaters. Exact airflow direction must be specified U3, U4, US or U6.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Add Fuses for Heaters Rated 48 Amps or Less</strong></td>
<td>F1</td>
<td>Allows for addition of one set of fuses to low amperage heaters that do not need internal fusing to meet UL and NEC requirements</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>Available on all heaters whose KW is lower than or equal to the following.</td>
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<td>(Other heaters include fusing as standard):</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Remote enable terminals</strong></td>
<td>R1</td>
<td>Enables heater operation with remote dry contacts.</td>
<td></td>
<td>Available on all heaters.</td>
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### Table X
Summary of Thermostats Available with Option G or K Heaters (No Thermostats are supplied on Option J Heaters)

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<th>Type of Thermostat</th>
<th>Used with Control Option</th>
<th>Catalog Number</th>
<th>Comments</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>ROOM</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Pilot Duty</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 Stage</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>1006998 (Fig.11)</td>
<td>Rated for 30 volts max. Offered with Duct Heater Selection</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 Stage</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>1023721 (Fig. 12)</td>
<td>Digital Display, Rated for 30 volts max. Special Ordered</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 Stage</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>1007030 (Fig. 13)</td>
<td>Digital Display, Rated for 30 volts max.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 or 3 Stage</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>1023723 (Fig. 14)</td>
<td>Programmable with Digital Display, Rated for 30 volts max.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>† Proportional Electronic</td>
<td>G or K</td>
<td>SCR Controlled or Vernier Controlled. 1016941 (Fig. 16)</td>
<td>With Option G, can be used only when step controller is also specified</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>DUCT</strong></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Pilot Duty</td>
<td></td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 Stage</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>1023953 (Fig. 18)</td>
<td>Rated for 277 volts max.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2 Stage</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>1007044 (Fig. 19)</td>
<td>Rated for 240 volts. max.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>† Proportional Electronic</td>
<td>G or K</td>
<td>SCR Controlled or Vernier Controlled. 1016941 and 1016942 (Fig. 16)</td>
<td>With Option G, can be used only when step controller is also specified</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>† No Thermostat (Special inputs for controller or SCR when customer supplied thermostat is used)</td>
<td>G or K</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>2200 ohm Input 135 ohm Input 4-20 mA Input 0-10 VDC Input</td>
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†A thermostat or input must be specified with all Option K heaters and all Option G heaters with step controllers. Step controllers with 4-20 mA or 0-10 VDC will be furnished with proportional control.
**Standard Duct Heater Open Coil**

**HUA/HUP – Sample Specification**

A job specification can be prepared by using the following information. Simply darken the applicable circles. Material which is part of the basic specification has already been darkened. Additional copies of this specification guide are available from your local Brasch representative.

1. Duct heaters shall be Brasch
   - Type HUA Standard Slip-in Heaters
   - Type HUP Standard Flanged Heaters
2. Approvals – Heaters and panelboards (if required) shall meet the requirements of the National Electrical Code and shall be listed by Underwriters Laboratories for zero spacing between the duct and combustible surfaces and for use with heat pumps and air conditioning equipment.
3. Heating elements shall be open coil, 80% nickel, 20% chromium, Grade A resistance wire. Type C alloys containing iron or other alloys are not acceptable. Coils shall be machine crimped into stainless steel terminals extending at least 1” into the airstream and all terminal hardware shall be stainless steel. Coils shall be supported by ceramic bushings staked into supporting brackets.
4. Heater frames and terminal boxes shall be corrosion resistant steel. Unless otherwise indicated, the terminal box shall be NEMA 1 type construction and shall be provided with a hinged, latching cover and multiple concentric knockouts for field wiring.
5. All heaters shall be furnished with a disc type, automatic reset thermal cutout for primary over-temperature protection. All heaters shall also be furnished with disc type, load carrying manual reset thermal cutouts, factory wired in series with heater stages for secondary protection. Heat limiters or other fusible overtemperature devices are not acceptable.
6. Heaters shall be rated for the voltage, phase, and number of heating stages indicated in the schedule. All three-phase heaters shall have equal, balanced, three-phase stages. All internal wiring shall be stranded copper with 105°C insulation and shall be terminated in crimped connectors or box lugs.
7. Terminal blocks shall be provided for all field wiring and shall be sized for installation of 75°C copper wire rated in accordance with NEC requirements.
8. Heaters shall be furnished, either with the Control Option specified in the schedule and described below, or with the specific components listed in the schedule.
   - Option G – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, contactors, fuses (if over 48 amps), control circuit transformer (where required) and built-in, snap-acting, door interlocked disconnect switch.
   - Option J – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, PE switches, contactors (where required), fuses (if over 48 amps), control circuit transformer (where required), and built-in snap-acting door interlocked disconnect switch.
   - Option K – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, contactors (where required), SCR (with step controller if heater draws over 96 amps three-phase or 192 amps single-phase), fuses (if over 48 amps), control circuit transformer, and built-in snap-acting door interlocked disconnect switch.
9. When specified in the schedule, or below, heaters will be supplied with the following Special Features:
   - Airflow switch for negative pressure operation
   - Insulated terminal box
   - Dust-tight terminal box
   - Stainless steel frame and terminal box
   - Aluminized steel frame and terminal box
   - Insulated duct construction for slip-in heaters (>1” ≤6” thick lining)
   - Unheated section (≤6” terminal pin)
   - Pressure plate
   - Protective screen(s); one side both sides
   - Controls mounted in NEMA 1 remote panelboard
   - Deletion of transformer
   - Deletion of transformer and contactor
   - Transformer primary fusing (standard for Class I)
   - Transformer secondary fusing (Class II)
   - Additional user control circuit voltages (specify user VA)
   - Deletion of disconnect switch
   - Fused disconnect switch (≤ 48 amps)
   - Fusing for heaters rated 48 amps or less
   - “Low Airflow” pilot light
   - “Heater On” pilot light
   - Each “Stage On” pilot light(s)
   - Fan relay (instead of airflow switch)
   - Fan relay (in addition to airflow switch)
   - Remote enable heater operation
   - Step controller
   - Linear limit automatic rest thermal cutout
   - 25 watts per square inch resistance coils
   - 35 watts per square inch resistance coils
   - Built-in PE transducer
10. When specified in the schedule, or below, heaters shall be supplied with the following thermostats:
   - Pilot duty single stage room thermostat
   - Pilot duty digital display single stage room thermostat
   - Pilot duty two stage digital display room thermostat
   - Pilot duty two or three stage programmable with digital display room thermostat
   - Proportional electronic room thermostat
   - Pilot duty single stage duct thermostat
   - Pilot duty two stage duct thermostat
   - Proportional electronic duct thermostat with set point adjuster
   - Special inputs (135 ohms, 2200 ohms, 4-20 mA, 0-10 VDC)
Custom Duct Heaters

Special Applications

Air Conditioning & Air Handling Units – For more than 65 years, Brasch has been supplying heaters for use in air handling and air conditioning equipment (Figure 49). A wide range of UL recognized to standard 1995 heaters are available using special construction and design techniques to insure proper operation as well as ease of installation, either in the OEM’s plant or in the field. These heaters are typically used in central station, multi-zone or dual duct air handlers.

Central Station Construction – The heater is designed for installation as an integral component of the air handler adjacent to fans, cooling sections, filter boxes, etc. (Figure 49). Unheated sections can be provided where there is little or no airflow, such as the area blocked by an adjacent cooling coil header. Pressure plates can be used to insure uniform airflow, the use of unheated areas or derated elements can be provided to space the heating coils away from temperature sensitive components or to help assure uniform airflow.

Multi-Zone or Dual Duct Heaters – These heaters are designed for installation inside multi-zone or dual duct air conditioning equipment, where the airflow is highly variable and unevenly distributed (Figure 51). These heaters use coils derated to approximately 25 watts per square inch (3.8 watts per square cm) of wire surface area (approximately one half normal watt density). Low density coils run cooler, and thus, provide longer life under these stringent operating conditions.

These heaters are supplied with fully proportional SCR control or with many heating stages to insure that no more heat is being supplied than is absolutely necessary. Each heater stage is spread over the entire face area to take advantage of all available airflow.

A perforated pressure plate is factory-installed on the air inlet side of the heater to make the airflow as uniform as possible. Linear limit thermal cutouts protect against serious overheating anywhere along the length of the heater.

When the heater must be installed entirely within the unit, only thermal cutouts are built into the heater, a remote panel is required for controls. When the terminal box can be external, heaters are available with a wide range of built-in controls.
**Round Duct Construction** – Brasch manufactures UL listed open coil duct heaters specifically designed for installation to commercially rated round ducts. Heaters are available for installation to spiral single and double wall or snap-lock round sheet metal ducts with inside diameters of 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26 and 28 inches. Two square to round male galvanized steel transitions, Figure 53, are supplied for field installation to the inlet and outlet of the duct heater. The transitions are attached directly to the flanges of the heater and to the round duct using sheet metal screws (see Figure 52). The Brasch transitions have been approved by UL to provide uniform airflow across the open coil elements to avoid hot spots, which could affect the performance of the heater.

**Variable Air Volume (VAV) Units** – To serve the fast moving and very competitive VAV market, Brasch has developed a fully computerized design and construction system, which enables us to ship substantial volumes of heaters in a wide variety of sizes, ratings, and control options quickly. This system was patterned after our methods of designing and producing standard duct heaters, modified to solve the problems unique to the VAV industry. Slip-and-drive sheet metal connections, control packages tailored to VAV systems, and special techniques for fan interlocks are some of the features designed for this market (Figure 54).
Custom Duct Heaters

Duct Heaters for Wet, Dusty and Corrosive Areas
Brasch offers a wide selection of custom built electric duct heater designs for outdoor, wet, dusty, and corrosive areas. Typical applications include use with roof top air handling equipment, in washdown areas such as food processing plants and wet and humid spaces near indoor swimming pools.

Features:
- Disconnect switch with door interlock
- Manual reset thermal cutout
- Automatic reset thermal cutout
- Stainless steel frame
- Large diameter stainless steel finned tubular heating elements
- Heavy duty control transformer
- Fusing per NEC
- Airflow switch
- Stainless steel terminal hardware

Outdoor UL Listed 3R

Outdoor type 3R heaters (Figure 57) are intended for outdoor use to provide a degree of protection against falling rain, sleet, and external ice formation. UL Listed 3R heaters can be used in most HVAC outdoor applications and indoors for protection against dripping water. Water-tight hubs for incoming power and control connections are furnished.

Dust-tight Construction

Figure 58.

A dust-tight terminal box (Figure 58) is available to meet local codes that require dust-tight construction for a heater installed above a false ceiling when the entire area is used as a return air plenum. It is also suitable for commercial or light industrial applications to avoid dust accumulation inside the terminal box while a building is under construction.

These boxes are spot welded corrosion resistant steel, with all openings sealed. The hinged cover is gasketed and hold-down clamps are provided. (Note that this construction does not meet the more rigid requirements of NEMA 12 described below).

NEMA 12 Type Terminal Box

For heavy duty industrial applications involving both dust and oil, NEMA 12 type construction is available on custom heaters (Figure 59). The all welded, stainless steel terminal box has a hinged, gasketed cover with hold-down clamps. Scru-tite hubs for line and power connections are included.

Figure 59.

NEMA 4 Type Terminal Box

For weatherproof locations and washdown areas, such as food processing plants, a NEMA 4 type construction is available. This all welded stainless steel enclosure is furnished with a hinged, gasketed cover and is provided with water-tight hubs for incoming power and control connections.
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**Bottom Mounted Terminal Box**

The NEC requires a work space at least 30" (76 cm) wide by 42" (107 cm) deep in front of a heater terminal box for service access. More space is required for large heaters. When this space is not available at the side of a duct, the heater can be installed through the bottom, using a special bottom mounted terminal box construction, which maintains the required horizontal orientation of open coil resistance elements.

Custom heaters of either flanged or slip-in design are available with this feature. However, slip-in is normally preferred for ease of installation (Figure 60). UL Listed heaters are limited to the sizes indicated in Table XIII.

**Insulated Terminal Box**

When the heater is installed in an air conditioning duct which runs through an un-airconditioned space, condensation may form inside the terminal box. To eliminate this condensation or for energy conservation, the back of the terminal box can be factory insulated (Figure 61). This construction is available with all heaters.

**Pressure Plates**

A 40% open pressure plate on the inlet side of open coil type heaters even out the airflow pattern in installations where it is not uniform. A pressure plate significantly increases the pressure drop across the heater (Figure 62). This increase must be considered in sizing the fan motor. To assure correct plate location, specify the exact airflow direction as defined in Figures 42 and 43, page 23.

### Table XIII

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<th>Heater Type</th>
<th>Minimum W in (mm)</th>
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Figure 60

Figure 61

Figure 62
Protective Screens

Protective screens protect personnel from accidental contact with electrically hot open coil elements and prevent large airborne contamination from reaching the elements (Figure 63). The 3/8” (9.5mm) wire mesh screen may be mounted on both sides of the heater. Finned tubular duct heater construction may be more appropriate for these applications.

Unheated Sections

Brasch custom heaters can be supplied with unheated sections, either open or blocked off (Figure 64). Such constructions are particularly helpful when the heater frame must extend through an area with little or no airflow to maintain accessibility to the terminal box. For example, a heater next to a cooling coil should have extended terminal pins so no heat is generated adjacent to the cooling coil header. Most constructions are available with a UL label.

Construction For Lined Ducts

All Brasch slip-in heaters are suitable for use in ducts lined with up to 1” (25.4 mm) of interior insulation. Extended terminals and the design of the thermal cutout system make standard slip-in heaters suitable for such installations without any deterioration in performance or life. Be sure that the duct dimensions specified are those inside the duct lining.

For slip-in heater applications where the insulation is more than 1” (25.4 mm) thick or where flanged heaters are required, the special constructions illustrated in Figures 65 and 66. Dimensions inside the insulation must be specified as well as the insulation thickness.
**Slip-and-Drive Construction**

This option for custom flanged heaters, allowing installation with conventional HVAC slip-and-drive connections, offers the rugged and secure mounting of a flanged heater, yet requires less installation labor than a slip-in heater. It is particularly useful when other equipment in the duct system uses slip-and-drive connections, as the contractor can standardize throughout (Figure 67).

By using Brasch's slip-and-drive construction in variable air volume (VAV) units, the manufacturer can offer the same standard VAV box for electric heat, hot water heat, or no heat.

**Remote Panelboard**

When specifying remote panelboards (Figure 68), we recommend the following changes in control and safety components to insure the safety of the installation and to minimize the field labor costs.

- **Contactors** – Use disconnecting controlling contactors which break all ungrounded lines. Thus, when heat is not being called for, all terminals in the heater will be dead.
- **Pilot Switch** – Add a dead front pilot switch to the heater terminal box to make it safe for servicing by simply tripping the pilot switch. This shuts off power to the heater circuits through the disconnecting contactors in the panel.
- **Fuses** – Built-in fusing for each panelboard will be in accordance with UL and NEC requirements.

Except for SCR’s, which are mounted through the panelboard side wall, control components are mounted on a sub-panel. Labeled terminal blocks are provided for all field wiring, both in the panel and in the heater. Knockouts and wiring gutter spaces are supplied in all panelboards.

NEMA 1 panels are made from heavy gauge steel, welded and painted (as required), and are provided with a lock and key. Wall mounting, flush mounting, or floor mounting on legs are available.

NEMA 3R type panelboards for outdoor use are UL Listed. These are intended for outdoor use to provide protection against falling rain, sleet, and external ice formation.

NEMA 4 and NEMA 12 UL Listed panelboards for outdoor, dusty, and oil atmospheres are also available. Explosion-proof panels furnished with cast aluminum enclosures are available.

All standard type HUA and HUP heaters are available with remote panels. Panels for these standard heaters are available in NEMA 1 wall or floor mounting. Fusing, disconnecting contactors, and a heater-mounted pilot switch, all as described above, are supplied.
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**Minimum & Maximum Duct Dimensions**

Although there is no limitation on the maximum size of custom heater assemblies, individual UL Listed heaters must meet the following minimum and maximum requirements (see tables below).

UL Listed custom heaters are also available in virtually any KW rating. However, heaters are restricted to maximum KW ratings based on the square feet of heated area.

Brasch has built individual duct heaters for space heating applications ranging from 0.1 KW to over 900 KW, multi-section units with up to 2000 KW in one assembly, and face areas as large as 40’ wide x 14’ high. Exact dimensional and KW limits can be determined by contacting your local Brasch representative.

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**Table XIV**

**Open Coil Custom Heaters**

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<th>Slip-in Type in (mm)</th>
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<td>Minimum Duct Width (W)</td>
<td>5.25 (133)</td>
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<td>Minimum Duct Height (H)</td>
<td>4.25 (108)</td>
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<td>Maximum Duct Width (W)</td>
<td>240 (6100)</td>
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<td>Maximum Duct Height (H)</td>
<td>120 (3050)</td>
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**Table XV**

**Finned Tubular Custom Heaters**

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<td>Minimum Duct Width (W)</td>
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<td>Minimum Duct Height (H)</td>
<td>5.25 (133)</td>
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<td>Maximum Duct Width (W)</td>
<td>175 (4450)</td>
<td>175 (4450)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum Duct Height (H)</td>
<td>120 (3050)</td>
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![Figure 69. Slip-in Duct Heater](image1)

![Figure 70. Flanged Duct Heater](image2)
Open Coil Custom Heater – Sample Specification

A job specification can be prepared by using the following information. Simply darken the applicable circles. Material which is part of the basic specification has already been darkened. Additional copies of this specification guide are available from your local Brasch representative.

1. Duct heaters shall be Brasch:
   - Type KUB Custom Slip-in Heater
   - Type PUB Custom Flanged Heater

2. Approvals – Heaters and panelboards (if required) shall meet the requirements of the National Electrical Code and shall be listed by Underwriters Laboratories for zero space between the duct and combustible surfaces and for use with heat pumps and air conditioning equipment.

3. Heating elements shall be open coil, 80% nickel, 20% chromium, Grade A resistance wire. Type C alloys containing iron or other alloys are not acceptable. Coils shall be machine crimped into stainless steel terminals extending at least 1” into the airstream and all terminal hardware shall be stainless steel. Coils shall be supported by ceramic bushings staked into supporting brackets.

4. Heater frames and terminal boxes shall be corrosion resistant steel. Unless otherwise indicated, the terminal box shall be NEMA 1 type construction and shall be provided with a hinged, latching cover and multiple concentric knockouts for field wiring.

5. All heaters shall be furnished with a disc type, automatic reset thermal cutout for primary overtemperature protection. All heaters shall also be furnished with disc type, load-carrying manual reset thermal cutouts, factory wired in series with heater stages for secondary protection. Heat limiters or other fusible overtemperature devices are not acceptable.

6. Heaters shall be rated for the voltage, phase, and number of heating stages indicated in the schedule. All three-phase heaters shall have equal, balanced, three-phase stages. All internal wiring shall be stranded copper with 105°C insulation and shall be terminated in crimped connectors or box lugs.

7. Terminal blocks shall be provided for all field wiring and shall be sized for installation of 75°C copper wire, rated in accordance with NEC requirements.

8. Heaters shall be furnished, either with the Control Option specified in the schedule and described below, or with the specific components listed in the schedule.
   - Option G – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, contactors, fuses (if over 48 amps), control circuit transformer (where required) and built-in snap-acting door interlocked disconnect switch.
   - Option J – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, PE switches, contactors (where required), fuses (if over 48 amps), control circuit transformer (where required) and built-in snap-acting door interlocked disconnect switch.
   - Option K – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, contactors (where required), SCR (with step controller and contactors, if heater draws over 96 amps, three-phase or 192 amps single-phase), fuses (if over 48 amps), control circuit transformer (where required), and built-in snap-acting door interlocked disconnect switch.

9. When specified in the schedule, or below, heaters will be supplied with the following Special Features:
   - Airflow switch for negative pressure operation
   - Insulated terminal box
   - Dust-tight terminal box
   - Special terminal box construction
     - NEMA 1
     - UL3R
     - NEMA 12
     - NEMA 4
     - NEMA 4X
   - Stainless steel frame and terminal box
   - Aluminized steel frame and terminal box
   - Insulated duct construction for slip-in heaters
   - Unheated section
   - Pressure plate
   - Protective screen(s); one side or both sides
   - Controls mounted in remote panelboard
     - NEMA 1
     - UL3R
     - NEMA 12
     - NEMA 4
     - NEMA 4X
   - Deletion of transformer
   - Deletion of transformer and contactor
   - Transformer primary fusing (standard for Class I)
   - Transformer secondary fusing (Class II)
   - Additional user control circuit voltage (specify user VA)
   - Deletion of disconnect switch
   - Fused disconnect switch (≤ 48 amps)
   - Fusing for heaters rated 48 amps or less
   - “Low Airflow” pilot light
   - “Heater On” pilot light
   - “Overtemperature” pilot light
   - Each “Stage On” pilot light(s)
   - Fan relay (instead of airflow switch)
   - Fan relay (in addition to airflow switch)
   - Remote enable heater operation
   - Step controller
   - Linear limit automatic reset thermal cutout
   - 25 watts per square inch resistance coils
   - 35 watts per square inch resistance coils
   - Built-in PE transducer
   - Round Duct Construction

10. When specified in the schedule, or below, heaters shall be supplied with the following thermostats:
    - Pilot duty single stage room thermostat
    - Pilot duty digital display single stage room thermostat
    - Pilot duty two stage digital display room thermostat
    - Pilot duty two or three stage programmable with digital display room thermostat
    - Proportional electronic room thermostat
    - Pilot duty single stage duct thermostat
    - Pilot duty two stage duct thermostat
    - Proportional electronic duct thermostat with set point adjuster
    - Special inputs (135 ohms, 2200 ohms, 4-20 mA, 0-10 VDC)
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#### Finned Tubular Custom Heater – Sample Specification

A job specification can be prepared by using the following information. Simply darken the applicable circles. Material which is part of the basic specification has already been darkened. Additional copies of this specification guide are available from your local Brasch representative.

- **Option G** – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, contactors, fuses

- **Option J** – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, PE switches

- **Option K** – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, contactors

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1. Duct heaters shall be Brasch:
   - Type TFKU Custom Slip-in Heater
   - Type TFPU Custom Flanged Heater

2. Approvals – Heaters and panelboards (if required) shall meet the requirements of the National Electrical Code and shall be listed by Underwriters Laboratories, for zero spacing between the duct and combustible surfaces, and for use with heat pumps, and air conditioning equipment.

3. Heating elements shall consist of coil, 80% nickel, 20% chromium, Grade A resistance wire, precisely centered in a 304 stainless steel tube filled with granular magnesium oxide. A stainless steel fin is to be helically wound onto the tube. Elements are to be furnished with mounting flanges, making them individually removable through the terminal box.

4. Heater frames and terminal boxes shall be corrosion resistant steel. Unless otherwise indicated, the terminal box shall be NEMA 1 construction and shall be provided with a hinged latching cover and multiple concentric knockouts for field wiring.

5. All heaters shall be furnished with triple overtemperature protection. A disc type and linear, automatic reset thermal cutout are included for primary overtemperature protection. All heaters must also be furnished with a linear type manual reset thermal cutout with backup contactors (as required). For secondary overtemperature protection, heat limiters or other fusible overtemperature devices are not acceptable.

6. Heaters shall be rated for the voltage, phase, and number of heating stages indicated in the schedule. All three-phase heaters shall have equal balanced three-phase stages. All internal wiring shall be stranded copper with 105°C insulation and shall be terminated in crimped connectors or box lugs.

7. Terminal blocks shall be provided for all field wiring and shall be sized for installation of 75°C copper wire rated in accordance with NEC requirements.

8. Heaters shall be furnished either with the Option Control specified in the schedule and described below or with the specific components listed in the schedule.
   - Option G – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, contactors, fuses (if over 48 amps), control circuit transformer (where required) and built-in snap-acting door interlocked disconnect switch.
   - Option J – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, PE switches, contactors (where required), fuses (if over 48 amps), control circuit transformer (as required), and built-in snap-acting door interlocked disconnect switch.
   - Option K – Thermal cutouts, airflow switch, contactors (where required), SCR (with step controller if heater draws over 96 amps three-phase or 192 amps single-phase), fuses (if over 48 amps), control circuit transformer (where required) and built-in, snap-acting, door interlocked disconnect switch.

9. When specified in the schedule, or below, heaters will be supplied with the following Special Features:
   - Airflow switch for negative pressure operation
   - Insulated terminal box
   - Dust-tight terminal box
   - Special terminal box construction
     - NEMA 1
     - UL3R
     - NEMA 12
     - NEMA 4
     - NEMA 4X
   - Stainless steel frame and terminal box
   - Upgraded element sheath material
     - Monel
     - Stainless steel
   - Aluminized steel frame and terminal box
   - Insulated duct construction for slip-in heaters
   - Unheated section
   - Controls mounted in remote panelboard
     - NEMA 1
     - UL3R
     - NEMA 12
     - NEMA 4
     - NEMA 4X
   - Deletion of transformer
   - Deletion of transformer and contactor
   - Transformer primary fusing (standard for Class I)
   - Transformer secondary fusing (Class II)
   - Additional user control circuit voltage (specify user VA)
   - Deletion of disconnect switch
   - Fused disconnect switch (≤ 48 amps)
   - Fusing for heaters rated 48 amperes or less)
   - “Low Airflow” pilot light
   - “Heater On” pilot light
   - “Overtemperature” pilot light
   - Each “Stage On” pilot light(s)
   - Fan relay (instead of airflow switch)
   - Fan relay (in addition to airflow switch)
   - Remote enable heater operation
   - Step controller
   - Built-in PE transducer
   - Deletion of disconnect switch
   - Transformer second stage fusing (as required)
   - Additional user control circuit voltage (specify user VA)

10. When specified in the schedule, or below, heaters shall be supplied with the following thermostats:
    - Pilot duty single stage room thermostat
    - Pilot duty digital display single stage room thermostat
    - Pilot duty two stage digital room thermostat
    - Pilot duty two or three stage programmable with digital display room thermostat
    - Proportional electronic room thermostat
    - Pilot duty single stage duct thermostat
    - Pilot duty two stage duct thermostat
    - Proportional electronic duct thermostat with set point adjuster
    - Special inputs (135 ohms, 2200 ohms, 4-20 mA, 0-10 VDC)
Illustrated on these pages are typical wiring diagrams for Brasch open coil and finned tubular duct heaters.

Wiring diagrams shipped with many heaters are semi-typical in nature, showing various alternates for certain components and illustrating Special Features which may not be supplied on the heater in question. However, check blocks on each wiring diagram are marked to indicate which of the alternates or Special Features apply. The wiring diagrams also indicate the appropriate field wiring gauges and the amp rating of any fuses provided.

Control Option G, Single Stage Three-Phase

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Diagram-1

Diagram-2

Control Option G, Single Stage with Fan Relay, Three-Phase

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Diagram-3

Diagram-4
Typical Wiring Diagrams

Control Option G, Multiple Stages, Single-Phase

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Diagram-5

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Diagram-6

Control Option G, Multiple Stages with Electronic Step Controller, Three-Phase

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Diagram-7

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Diagram-8

Control Option K, SCR, Three-Phase

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Diagram-9

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Diagram-10
Typical Wiring Diagrams

Control Option K, with a Proportional Room or Duct Thermostat, Three-Phase

Diagram-11

Diagram-12

Control Option K, SCR Vernier Control, Three-Phase

Diagram-13

Diagram-14

Control Option K, SCR Vernier Control, Remote Control Panel, Three-Phase

Diagram-15

Diagram-16
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