



**EXTERNAL VISUAL INSPECTION
OF RESISTORS**

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1 **SCOPE**

This specification to be read in conjunction with ESCC Basic Specification No. 20500 External Visual Inspection, contains additional specific requirements for Resistors. They shall apply, where relevant, to each device inspected.

2 **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

2.1 **APPLICABILITY**

The following criteria may not be varied or modified after commencing an inspection stage. Any ambiguity or proposed minor deviation shall be referred to the ESCC Executive for resolution and approval.

2.2 **PROCEDURE**

All items shall be examined in such a manner that a minimum of handling and movement of the component is involved.

3 **EQUIPMENT REQUIRED**

3.1 **MAGNIFICATION**

All items shall be examined with a stereoscopic microscope with a minimum magnification of 5 power (5x).

3.2 **MOUNTING FIXTURES**

Suitable fixtures may be used to assist in the inspection process, provided that they do not themselves cause damage to the device.

4 **DETAILED REQUIREMENTS**

4.1 **REJECT CRITERIA**

A component shall be rejected if it exhibits one or more of the defects listed in any of the following paragraphs of this Section.

Where applicable, drawings are included to provide additional explanatory material, but shall be considered as examples only.

4.2 **LEAD CONDITIONS**

4.2.1 **Non-Insulated Leads**

- (a) Corrosion is evident.
- (b) Plating damage exposing base material beyond 3mm from the case.
- (c) Lead diameter is reduced by more than 10% in any part within 20mm of the case.
- (d) Non-conductive material present on the lead, beyond 3mm from the case.

4.2.2 Insulated Leads

- (a) Insulation damaged so that metallic conductor is visible.
- (b) Holes or cracks visible in the insulation.

4.3 LEAD CONFIGURATION

- (a) Round lead, twisted more than one revolution along the length (Figure 1).
- (b) Leads kinked within 20mm of the case (Figure 2).
- (c) Eccentricity of lead passing through end of body is greater than 10% of the body diameter: $d \geq 0.1D$ or 0.5mm, whichever is smaller (Figure 3).
- (d) Any rigid lead tilted by more than 5° (Figure 4).
- (e) Any lead printed beside 3mm of the case (Figure 4).

4.4 CASE OR PACKAGE

- (a) Moulding eccentricity by more than 10% (Figure 5).
- (b) Coating or moulding material showing holes or cracks whose depth cannot be determined.
- (c) Coating or moulding material showing holes, cracks or scratches whose surface area exceeds 1% of the total surface area of the moulding or coating material.
- (d) Part of the body or body lead connections are not covered by coating or moulding.
- (e) Coating or moulding chipped and whose chippage area exceeds 5% of the total surface area of the moulding or coating material.
- (f) Any surface contaminated by foreign material.
- (g) Moulding flash or excess of moulding material at the end of the body (Figure 6).

4.5 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR WIREWOUND, CHASSIS-MOUNTED RESISTORS

4.5.1 Housing

- (a) Contact area between the bottom of the housing and the surface plate is less than 50% (Figure 7).
- (b) Cracks or scratches in plating whose surface area exceeds 5mm^2 (Figure 8).
- (c) Burrs exceeding 0.5mm (Figure 9).

4.5.2 Ends of the Enclosure (Figure 10)

- (a) Caps visible due to a lack of coverage by moulding material.
- (b) Cracks or scratches whose length exceeds one third of the diameter of the enclosure.

4.5.3 Eyelet Terminals (Figure 11)

- (a) Hole partially covered by solder.
- (b) Hole eccentricity more than 10%.
- (c) Protuberance exceeding 0.5mm.

4.6 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR VARIABLE RESISTORS

- (a) Head improperly formed or damaged.
- (b) Screw head not fully accessible.
- (c) Screw thread improperly formed or damaged.

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FIGURES

FIGURE 1 – TWISTED LEAD



NOTE:

1. See Para. 4.3(a).

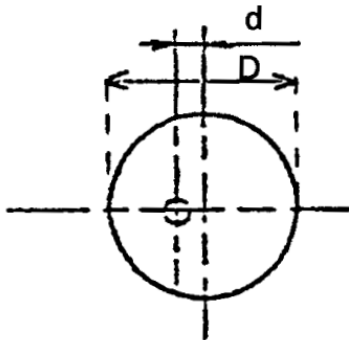
FIGURE 2 – KINKED LEAD



NOTE:

1. See Para. 4.3(b).

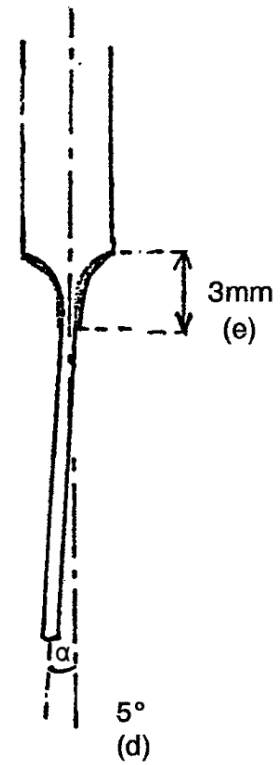
FIGURE 3 – ECCENTRICITY OF LEAD



NOTE:

1. See Para. 4.3(c)

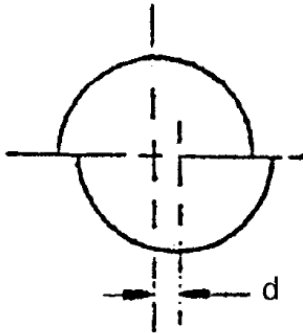
FIGURE 4 – TILTED LEAD



NOTE:

1. (d) and (e) relate to Paras. 4.3(d) and 4.3(e) respectively.

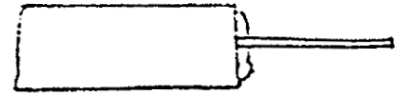
FIGURE 5 – MOULDING ECCENTRICITY



NOTE:

1. See Para. 4.4(a).

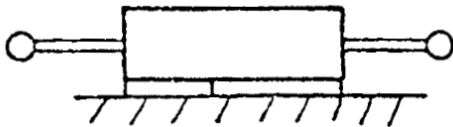
FIGURE 6 – MOULDING FLASH



NOTE:

1. See Para. 4.4(g).

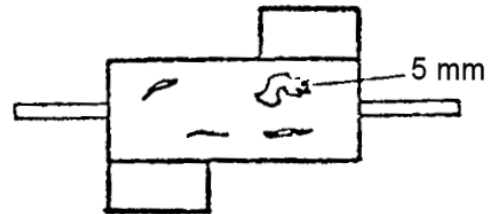
FIGURE 7 – CONTACT AREA BETWEEN HOUSING AND PLATE



NOTE:

1. See Para. 4.5.1(a).

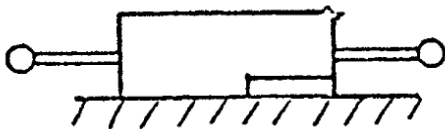
FIGURE 8 – CRACKS AND SCRATCHES IN PLATING



NOTE:

1. See Para. 4.5.1(b)

FIGURE 9 - BURRS



NOTE:

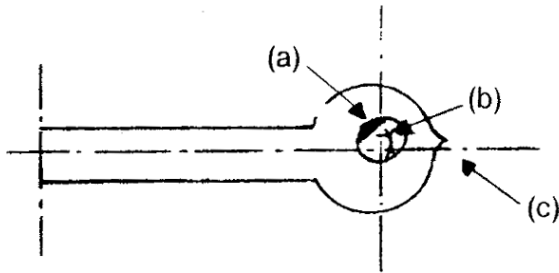
1. See Para. 4.5.1(c).

FIGURE 10 – ENDS OF THE ENCLOSURE



NOTE:

1. See Para. 4.5.2.

FIGURE 11 – EYELET TERMINALS**NOTE:**

1. (a), (b) and (c) relate to Paras. 4.5.3(a), 4.5.3(b) and 4.5.3(c) respectively.