# MOLEX USER INTERFACE SOLUTIONS

Versatile, Reliable Membrane Switches and Capacitive Solutions







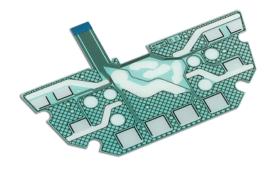
Beyond interconnects, Molex is a global leader in manufacturing custom user interfaces, membrane switches and flex circuit solutions.

#### Molex delivers:

- Full staff of experienced electrical, software and mechanical engineers to collaborate with you on designs
- Design centers in the US and Asia
- · Regionally located global sales force
- Manufacturing in US, Mexico and Asia
- UL qualified internal reliability lab
- 100% electrical inspection, testing and packaging
- Automated and semi-automated processes

With our history of reliable manufacturing and design, we are the ideal collaborator for professional grade products. Our team of experts will get your program from prototype to high-volume production on schedule.









# INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY WITH A GLOBAL REACH

### **Membrane Switch and Control Panels**

- Unlimited tactile and non-tactile contact configuration
- 3D membrane switches enhanced with rubber keypads
- Multiple backlighting and indication solutions
- Impressive array of decorative pieces for integration (metal, plastic bezel)

# **Capacitive Systems**

- Electronic layout and stack up design services
- Optimize performance between touch sensor and micro controller
- Software and firmware development in-house
- Innovative backlighting techniques

# **Transparent Capacitive Sensors**

- Ideal technology for backlighting capacitive touch keys
- Experts in PEDOT transparent sensor printing
- Experienced in mutual and self-capacitive layouts
- Integration into decorative plastic or glass











# USER INTERFACE APPLICATIONS:

Appliance

Automotive interiors

Medical equipment

Industrial controls

Commercial handhelds

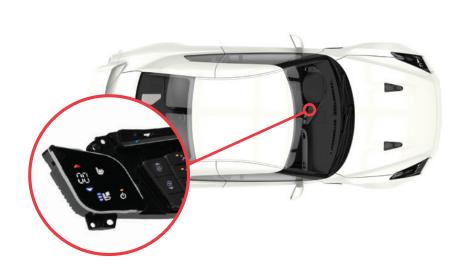


Design engineering support

Proven Molex reliability

In-house value-add capabilities







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### **Physical**

#### **Substrate:**

Polyester (PET)
 Transparent or white, 0.08mm to 0.18mm (.002" to .05mm) thick

Polyimide and FR4
 Various thicknesses available,
 0.03mm (.001") standard

- Thermoplastic Polyurethane (TPU) Non-Woven Materials
- PMMA
- Glass

#### **Conductive Ink:**

- Silver and Silver Blends
- Carbon Ink
- PEDOT

# **Component Attachment**

#### **Component Types on PET:**

SMD
 LEDs resisto

LEDs, resistors, capacitors, diodes, phototransistors

- 7-Segment Displays
- Microprocessors QFN, QFP, SU

#### **Minimum Package Size**

SMD

0402 on PET 0102 on PCB / FPC

Microprocessors
 0.5mm pitch leads

# **Membrane Switch Options**

Various dome sizes and forces from qualified vendors

#### **Molex In-House Metal Domes**

Size	Force
12.00mm (.472")	405g
12.00mm (.472")	240g
9.00mm (.354")	250g

# **Printing Capabilities**

- Panel Printing Maximum 749mm by 1054mm (29.5" by 41.5")
- Roll-to-Roll Printing Maximum 18" web, 21" repeat max

### **Trace Pitch Capabilities**

- **Lines** 0.1mm (0.004")
- **Spaces** 0.1mm (0.004")

#### **Circuit Construction:**

- Screened Crossover Circuit 2 insulated conductors on same side
- Printed Through Hole
   Double-sided printed circuits
   with poke through vias
- Print Registration Tolerances

   0.150mm (.006")
   print pass-to-print pass

   Note: Tighter tolerances upon request

#### **Die-Cut Capabilities**

	Die-Cut to Print	
Die-Cut Type	Tolerance	
Hard Tool:	± 0.13mm (.005")	
Steel Rule Die:	± 0.38mm (.015")	

#### **Steel Rule Die-Cut Tolerances**

Overall Size:  $\pm$  0.38mm (.015") Hole Diameter:  $\pm$  0.25mm (.010") Hole Location:  $\pm$  0.38mm (.015") All Cutouts:  $\pm$  0.38mm (.015")

Note: Size and material dependent

# **Backlighting**

- Light Guide Films
- Acrylic Light Guides
- Fiber Optics
- Indication LED
- Alternative Lighting Techniques

# **Electrical**

- Circuit Resistance
   100 Ohms maximum, may vary depending on circuit configuration
- Durability
  Tactile 1 million operations
  Non-Tactile 5 million operations
- Contact Bounce
   5 milliseconds typical
- Insulation Resistance
   100 Megohms initial between adjacent traces

#### **Environmental**

These parameters may vary depending on specific switch configuration and application requirements

- Operating Temperature

   40 to +70°C typical (+85 and
   +105°C constructions available)
- Storage Temperature
  -40 to +85°C typical (+85 and +105°C constructions available)
- Humidity
   Up to 90% RH non-condensing, per MIL-STD-202F, Method 103B, Condition A\*
- Thermal Aging 96 hours at +70°C, then 96 hours at -40°C
- Thermal Shock
   Per MIL-STD-202F, Method 107D.
   5 cycles of -40°C for 30 minutes,
   then +70°C for 30 minutes
- Silver Migration
   3 cycles of 4 hours in +45°C at
   85% RH, then cooled to +25°C for
   4 hours with 5V DC applied

\*After test, parts must meet electrical characteristics as specified above



# The Molex Approach

At Molex, we take a multidimensional approach to develop complete, integrated solutions that turn your ideas into reality. With the industry's broadest line of printed electronics and the expertise to work through your mechanical rigors, we can advise you on the best fit for your needs, balancing cost, performance, durability, weight and other requirements.

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