





# PHOTOVOLTAIC FLISE LINKS & FLISE HOLDERS FOR PHOTOVOLTAIC APPLICATIONS

# GPV NH 1000V DC fuse links NH (NH3)













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#### KNIFE BLADE

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NH3 gPV fuse links for photovoltaic installations from DF Electric have been developed to offer a safety protection solution in sub-array, array or inverter DC input of photovoltaic installations.

The range comprises the following fuse links:

#### → Size NH3 1000V DC 200A to 400A

They provide protection against overloads as well as short-circuits (gPV class according to IEC 60269 and UL248-19 Standards, with a minimum fusing current of 1,35-ln.

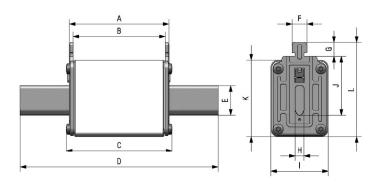
Made with ceramic body with high withstand to internal pressure and thermal shock. Contacts are made in silver plated copper or brass and melting elements are made in pure silver in order to avoid the aging and thus keep unalterable the electric characteristics.

For these fuse-links we recommend the utilization of 1000V DC NH ST fuse bases

UL Listed (File E355019) in 200A.



## **Dimensions**



# **A B C D E F G H I J K L** 68 62 73 150 32 10 9.5 6 70 60 75 8

Weight 1,02kg

#### Range

| In<br>(A) | REFERENCE          | PACKING<br>Uni /BOX |
|-----------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 200       | 373425 <b>(</b> l) | 1/15                |
| 250       | 373435             | 1/15                |
| 315       | 373445             | 1/15                |
| 355       | 373450             | 1/15                |
| 400       | 373455             | 1/15                |
|           |                    |                     |









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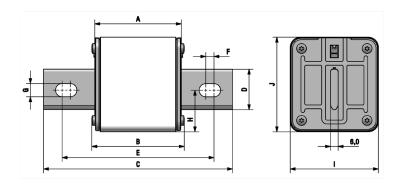
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## **Dimensions**



| Α  | В  | С   | D  | Е   | F   | G    | Н  | I  | J  |
|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|------|----|----|----|
| 68 | 73 | 150 | 32 | 120 | 6,5 | 10,5 | 33 | 70 | 75 |

| Weight  | 970gr  |
|---|--------|
| Recommended torque for connection screws (M10)  | 3035Nm |
| Minimum recommended distance between fuse links | 12mm   |

### Range

| In<br>(A) | REFERENCE | PACKING<br>Uni /BOX |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------|
| 200       | 373425B   | 1/15                |
| 250       | 373435B   | 1/15                |
| 315       | 373445B   | 1/15                |
| 355       | 373450B   | 1/15                |
| 400       | 373455B   | 1/15                |
|           |           |                     |









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#### **Technical data**

| 1000V DC   |  |  |
|------------|--|--|
| 200A400A   |  |  |
| 30kA       |  |  |
| gPV        |  |  |
| 1,35·ln    |  |  |
| 1,13·ln    |  |  |
| -40°C 90°C |  |  |
| -40°C 80°C |  |  |
|            |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> For ambient temperatures higher than 25°C it is necessary to apply a derating in maximum current

#### **Standards**

IEC/EN 60269-1 IEC/EN 60269-6 UL248-1 UL248-19 RoHS Compliant



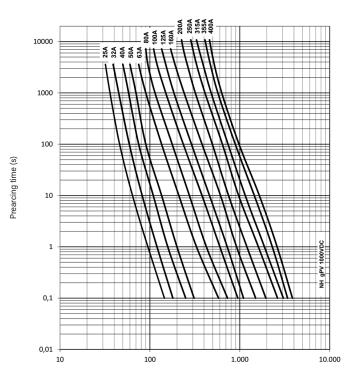
#### **Materials**

| Body           | Ceramics                        |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Contact blades | Copper or brass (silver plated) |
| Plates         | Aluminium                       |
| Screws         | Zinc plated steel               |

## **Power dissipation**

| In  | PREARCING I2t      | OPERATING I2t      | POWER<br>DISSIPATION<br>0.7 · In | POWER<br>DISSIPATION<br>In |
|-----|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| (A) | (A <sup>2</sup> S) | (A <sup>2</sup> S) | (VV)                             | (VV)                       |
| 200 | 21700              | 31700              | 19,5                             | 48,0                       |
| 250 | 41000              | 60000              | 20,5                             | 51,5                       |
| 315 | 76000              | 111500             | 26,2                             | 66,0                       |
| 355 | 74700              | 130700             | 18,0                             | 46,5                       |
| 400 | 104400             | 182600             | 20,0                             | 51,0                       |

#### t-I characteristics



Prospective current (A)



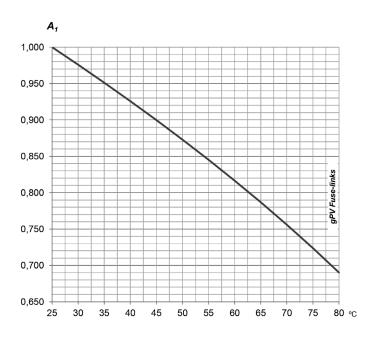








## **Ambient temperature derating factor**



| ta   | <b>A</b> <sub>1</sub> |
|------|-----------------------|
| (°C) |                       |
| 25   | 1,00                  |
| 30   | 0,98                  |
| 35   | 0,95                  |
| 40   | 0,93                  |
| 45   | 0,90                  |
| 50   | 0,87                  |
| 55   | 0,84                  |
| 60   | 0,82                  |
| 65   | 0,79                  |
| 70   | 0,76                  |
| 75   | 0,72                  |
| 80   | 0,69                  |
|      |                       |

# Selection and application's guide

In photovoltaic plants, there are a special installation and working conditions that must be considered to select the appropriate fuse links.

These fuses are usually placed inside plastic watertight boxes, where high ambient temperatures are reached. This condition force to reduce the maximum current that can circulate through the fuse links, otherwise it would be have premature aging. To avoid nondesired operation of fuse links it is necessary to apply a derating when select the appropriate rated current.

On the other hand, the day/night cycles as well as the pass of clouds cause a constant current changes that generates continuous heating and cooling, and this cause a thermal stress in fuselinks materials, especially in the melting elements. To avoid premature aging another derating must be applied (DF Electric recommend a value of 0,80 for this application).

With these considerations it is possible to select the suitable fuse.

To verify that the rated voltage of fuse link is sufficient, the following points must be taken into account:

- $\cdot$  Open circuit voltage  $V_{\text{OC STC}}$  of PV modules.
- · Numbers of modules connected in series (M).
- · Safety factor (20%) to take into account the rise of open circuit voltage at very low temperatures.

According to this, rated voltage in DC of fuse links must be:

 $V_{DC}(fuse link) \ge V_{OC}(STC) \cdot M \cdot 1,2$ 

Open circuit voltage  $V_{\rm OC\ STC}$  of PV modules is the maximum voltage that a Photovoltaic module can deliver when is working without load, measured under standard test conditions (STC).

This information is given by the manufacturer of PV modules.

To choose rated current of fuse links, points to be taken into account are the following:

- $\cdot$  Short circuit current of PV modules  $I_{SC\ STC}$
- · Derating factor for ambient temperature (A<sub>1</sub>).
- Derating factor for current variation (A<sub>2</sub>).

Short circuit current of PV modules I<sub>SC STC</sub> is the maximum current that one module can deliver measured under standard test conditions (STC). This data is also given by the manufacturer of PV modules.

Recommended derating factor for current variation ( $A_2$ ): 0,80.

Ambient temperature inside boxes where are placed protections can reach easily 40°C or 45°C (for tropical countries it is necessary to consider higher values).

It should be applied a derating factor (A<sub>1</sub>) as function of ambient temperature.

With previous considerations, rated current of fuse-link should be:

$$I_N(\text{fuse link}) \ge \frac{I_{SC STC}}{A_1 \cdot A_2} \cdot N_S$$

For example, if we consider a maximum ambient temperature of 45°C, the rating to use would be:

$$I_{N}(\text{fuse link}) \ge \frac{I_{SC \ STC}}{0.90 \cdot 0.80} \ge I_{SC \ STC} \cdot N_{S}$$

$$I_N(\text{fuse link}) \ge 1,40 \cdot I_{SC \ STC} \cdot N_S$$



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