## **Base Metal Thermocouples**

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## **Base Metal Elements (BME)**

- Industrial base metal elements and assemblies designed for the most severe environments
- Styles selected by temperature range, ambient atmosphere, and media conditions
- · Select sizes and configurations based upon application requirements
- Select by the need for accuracy and speed of response

**Type K** – Due to its reliability and accuracy, Type K is used extensively at temperatures of up to 2300°F. It is good practice to always protect this type of thermocouple with a suitable metal or ceramic protection tube, especially in reducing atmospheres. In oxidizing atmospheres and when other conditions are suitable, tube protection is not always necessary; however, protection is recommended for cleanliness and general mechanical protection. Recommended temperature range is 32°F to 2300°F.

**Type J** – This element may be used, protected or unprotected, where there is a deficiency of free oxygen. To maintain cleanliness and generally longer life, a protection tube is recommended. Because Type J wire will oxidize rapidly at temperatures over 1000°F, it is recommended that larger gauge wire be used to compensate. Recommended temperature range is 32°F to 1400°F.

**Type T** – Useable in oxidizing, reducing or inert atmospheres, as well as vacuum applications. Not subject to corrosion in moist

atmospheres. Recommended temperature range is -328°F to 700°F, but can be used to -454°F.

**Type E** – This thermocouple is suitable for use in temperatures up to 1652°F in a vacuum, inert, mildly oxidizing or reducing atmosphere. Recommended temperature range is 32°F to 1600°F.

**Type N** – This thermocouple is used primarily at high temperatures of up to 2300°F.

To order an element, use Specification Codes below to assemble a complete Ordering Number.



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