How to Set a Rotary Limit Switch

APPLICATION:
The Type K Rotary Limit Switch is used in applications requiring ratios from 5:1 to 1080:1 for controlling the end and/or intermediate limits of a reciprocating or rotary motion. Two circuit and four circuit assemblies are available from stock.

The NEMA 4 & 5 enclosure provides a clean environmental condition for the industrial duty snap action switches. Where motion can be expressed in shaft rotation either through a roller chain, gear train or direct coupling, the Type K Rotary Limit Switch makes it possible to open or close up to four independent circuits at the desired angular positions.

DESCRIPTION:
Precision rugged duty snap action switches, combined with a wide selection of gear ratios provides reliable electrical signals as a function of the shaft rotation. No minimum speed is specified due to the snap action contacts of the switch. The cam settings and the switch wiring can be easily accomplished through the full size cover.

With the two circuit assembly, either a left hand or right hand shaft extension can be supplied. This provides the added versatility when packaging this assembly in hard-to-get-at locations.

Ease of Making Cam Settings

Typical Applications Are:
- Door Operators
- Hoists
- Valves
- Elevating Jack Mechanisms
- Tapping Heads
- Packaging
- Machinery
- Conveyors
- Index Tables
- Material Handling Equipment

Easy-to-Wire Terminals

Typical Applications Are:
- Reciprocating Linear Actuators
- Dampers
- End Limits on Machine Tool Lead Screws
- Shuttles

Industrial Duty Switches With Isolated Contacts

SPDT
B A

DPDT
B A

To maintain rating, terminals must be common. Switch 1 and 2 can be opposite polarity.

Must be the same polarity
Description

This rotary limit switch is designed to control the limits of travel of rotating reversing equipment.

The limit switch input shaft is connected to a worm gear. Adjustable self lubricating nylon roller cams are concentrically mounted to the worm gear. These adjustable cams actuate the precision limit switches by utilizing a lever assembly.

Installation

This limit switch may be mounted in any convenient position. when installed this limit switch will provide long life with a minimum amount of service maintenance. The following recommendations will prove helpful.

1. Install the limit switch so that the shaft load will not exceed (5) five pounds.
2. A flexible coupling is recommended for all installation other than gear drive application.
3. Coupling should be employed in a manner that results in a minimum of thrust loading on the shaft. If switches are mounted with the shaft up or down, some additional thrust loading resulting from the weight of the shaft plus a very light coupling is permissible.
4. Whenever possible, a separate support bearing for the drive sprocket should be used.
5. Permissible speed of the input shaft 2000 R.P.M.

Lubrication

This limit switch was lubricated at the factory and should not require lubrication for the life of the switch.

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Adjustment

Refer to figure 1. The electrical switch units “G” and “H” are shown with the contact positions assumed when the cams are not actuating the switch units.

When the cam rotates and actuates the switch, the “B” (closed) contact opens and the “A” (open) contact closes. Each precision switch has (1) one independent adjustable cam.
4-Circuit Type K Rotary Limit Switch

Description and Operation

This is a four circuit rotary limit switch. It is designed to control the limits of travel and to coordinate additional or sequence operations of rotating reversing equipment. This limit switch provides adjustable trip positions of the switch units.

The limit switch input shaft is connected to a worm gear. Four independently adjustable self-lubricating nylon roller cams are concentrically mounted on the worm gear. These adjustable cams actuate the single pole double throw precision limit switch units.

Installation

This limit switch may be mounted in any convenient position. When installed this limit switch will provide long life with a minimum amount of service maintenance.

The following recommendations will prove helpful.

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2. A flexible coupling is recommended for all installation other than gear drive application.
3. Coupling should be employed in a manner that results in a minimum of thrust loading on the shaft. If switches are mounted with the shaft up or down, some additional thrust loading resulting from the weight of the shaft plus a very light coupling is permissible.
4. Whenever possible, a separate support bearing for the drive sprocket should be used.
5. Permissible speed of the input shaft 2000 R.P.M.
6. Do not hammer couplings, gear, etc., onto the input shaft.

Lubrication

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TO ADJUST SWITCH "M"
1. Loosen Red Set Screw
2. Turn "K" to Trip "M"
3. Tighten Red Set Screw

TO ADJUST SWITCH "H"
1. Loosen Green Set Screw
2. Turn "D" to Trip "H"
3. Tighten Green Set Screw

TO ADJUST SWITCH "L"
1. Loosen Blue Set Screw
2. Turn "J" to Trip "L"
3. Tighten Blue Set Screw

TO ADJUST SWITCH "G"
1. Loosen Yellow Set Screw
2. Turn "C" to Trip "G"
3. Tighten Yellow Set Screw

Figure 1