

Wide Input, Isolated Eighth-Brick DC/DC Converters

The UWE Series "Eighth-Brick" DC/DC Converters are high-current isolated power modules designed for use in high-density system boards.



Typical unit

FEATURES

- Industry-standard through-hole eighth-brick package with 0.9" x 2.3" x 0.38" outline dimensions
- Choice of two wide input ranges, 9-36 Vdc or 18-75 Vdc
- Fixed output from 3.3 to 24 Volts DC up to 75 Watts
- Synchronous rectification yields very high efficiency and low power dissipation
- Operating temperature range from -40 to +85°C with derating
- Up to 1500 Volt DC isolation (basic insulation)
- Outstanding thermal performance and derating
- Extensive self-protection, overtemperature and overload features with no output reverse conduction
- On/Off control, trim and remote sense functions
- Meets UL/EN/IEC 60950-1, CAN/CSA-C22.2
 No. 60950-1 safety approvals and FCC RFI/ EMI certification
- Pre-bias operation for startup protection

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

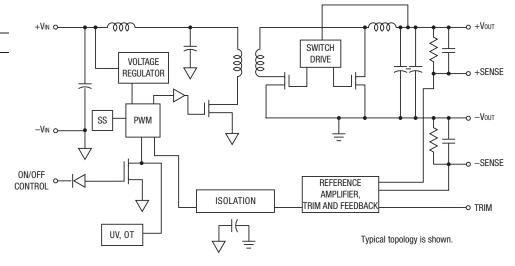
With dimensions of only 0.9 by 2.3 by 0.38 inches, the UWE series open frame DC/DC converters deliver up to 75 Watts in an industry-standard "eighth-brick" through-hole package. This format can plug directly into quarter-brick pinouts. Several standard fixed-output voltages from 3.3 Vdc to 24 Vdc assure compatibility in embedded equipment, CPU cards and instrument subsystems. The extended 4-to-1 input power range (9-36V) is ideal for battery-powered, telecom or portable applications. Very high efficiency means no fans or temperature deratings in many applications. An optional thermal mounting baseplate extends operation into most conceivable environments.

The synchronous rectifier design uses the maximum available duty cycle for greatest efficiency and low power dissipation with no reverse output conduction. Other features include low on-resistance FET's, planar magnetics and heavy-copper PC boards. These deliver low output noise,

tight line/load regulation, stable no-load operation and fast load step response. All units are precision assembled in a highly automated facility with ISOtraceable manufacturing quality standards.

Isolation of 1500 Volts assures safety and fully differential (floating) operation for greatest application flexibility. On-board Sense inputs compensate for line drop errors at high output currents. Outputs are trimmable within $\pm 10\%$ of nominal voltage. The UWE series are functionally complete.

A wealth of protection features prevents damage to both the converter and outside circuits. Inputs are protected from undervoltage and outputs feature short circuit protection, overcurrent and excess temperature shut down. Overloads automatically recover using the "hiccup" technique upon fault removal. The UWE is designed to meet all standard safety and EMI/RFI certifications. All units meet RoHS-6 hazardous materials compliance.



Simplified Block Diagram



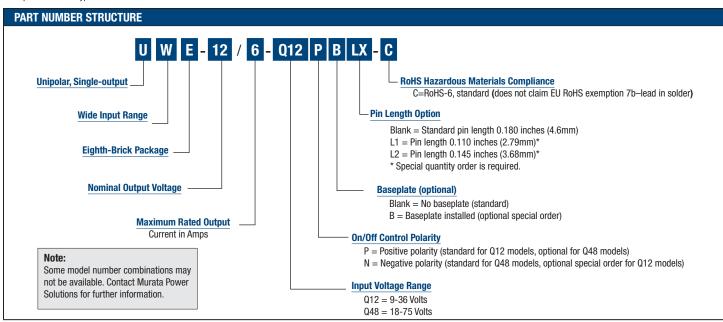






SPECIFICATION SUMMARY AND ORDERING GUIDE ①														
				Output				Input				Efficiency		
	V 0UT	Іоит	Power	R/N (m	Vp-p) ③	Regulatio	on (max.)	VIN Nom.	Range	lın, no load	lın, full load			Package
Root Model ①	(V)	(A)	(W)	Тур.	Max.	Line	Load	(V)	(V)	(mA)	(A)	Min.	Тур.	(Case, Pinout)
UWE-3.3/20-Q12P-C	3.3	20	66	80	125	±0.25%	±0.25%	12	9-36	160	6.18	87%	89%	
UWE-3.3/20-Q48N-C	3.3	20	66	165	225	±0.2%	±0.25%	48	18-75	75	1.54	88%	89.5%	
UWE-5/15-Q12P-C	5.0	15	75	80	125	±0.25%	±0.125%	12	9-36	185	6.87	89%	91%	
UWE-5/15-Q48N-C	5.0	15	75	135	150	±0.25%	±0.075%	48	18-75	90	1.74	88.5%	90%	C77, P32
UWE-12/6-Q12P-C	12.0	6	72	120	180	±0.125%	±0.05%	12	9-36	75	6.56	90%	91.5%	077, P32
UWE-12/6-Q48N-C	12.0	6	72	115	150	±0.1%	±0.075%	48	18-75	90	1.65	89%	91%	
UWE-15/5-Q12P-C	15.0	5	75	65	125	±0.125%	±0.075%	12	9-36	270	6.83	89.5%	91.5%	
UWE-24/3-Q12P-C ©	24.0	3	72	190	275	±0.125%	±0.125%	12	9-36	110	6.70	88.3%	89.5%	

- ① Please refer to the part number structure for additional ordering model numbers and options.
- ② All specifications are at nominal line voltage, nominal output voltage and full load, +25° C. unless otherwise noted. See detailed specifications.
- ③ Output capacitors are 1 μF ceramic in parallel with 10 μF electrolytic. Input cap is 100 μF. All caps are low ESR types. Contact Murata Power Solutions for details.
- ④ I/O caps are necessary for our test equipment and may not be needed for your application.
- ⑤ Load regulation range: 0.1-3A. This is required only for our test equipment. The converter will operate at zero output current with degraded regulation.



DETAIL SPECIFICATIONS, Q12 MODELS							
	UWE-3.3/20-Q12	UWE-5/15-Q12	UWE-12/6-Q12	UWE-15/5-Q12	UWE-24/3-Q12 ⁽⁸⁾		
Specs are typical unless noted.							
INPUT							
Input voltage range	See ordering guide						
Start-up threshold, Volts	9.5		Ç)			
Undervoltage shutdown, V.	8.5	8	8	8.2	8		
Overvoltage shutdown, V.	none						
Reflected (back) ripple current, mA pk-pk ②	25	10	40	1	40		
Suggested external fast blow fuse, A	25	20	20	20	20		
Input current							
Full load conditions	See ordering guide						
Inrush transient, A²sec	0.1 A²sec						
Input current if output is in short circuit, mA	250	200	250	250	250		





ETAIL SPECIFICATIONS, Q12 MODELS, CONTINUED						
INPUT (continued)	UWE-3.3/20-Q12	UWE-5/15-Q12	UWE-12/6-Q12	UWE-15/5-Q12	UWE-24/3-Q12	
No load, mA	160	185	75	270	110	
Low line (Vin=min.), Amps	8.33	9.42	8.89	9.36	9.04	
Standby mode, mA	8	5	5	5	5	
(Off, UV, OT shutdown) Internal input filter type			L-C			
Reverse polarity protection			Yes			
Remote On/Off control						
Positive logic ("P" model suffix)	OFF=Ground pin to +0.8V max.					
rositive logic (r illouel sullix)		ON=	open pin or +3.5 to +15V	max.		
Negative logic ("N" model suffix)		OFF	open pin or +5V to +15V	max.		
negative logic (N Tillouel Suffix)		ON=	=Ground pin or 0 to +0.8V r	nax.		
Current, mA			1			
ОИТРИТ						
Voltage output range			See ordering guide			
Voltage output accuracy			±1% of Vnom., (50% load)			
Adjustment range			-10 to +10% of Vnom.			
Temperature coefficient		-	±0.02% of Vout range per °	C		
Minimum loading			No minimum load			
Remote sense compensation			+10% max.			
Ripple/noise (20 MHz bandwidth)	See ordering guide					
Line/Load regulation	See ordering guide					
Efficiency	See ordering guide					
Maximum capacitive loading, μF low ESR <0.02Ω max., resistive load	10,000	10,000	4,700	4700	1500	
Isolation voltage						
Input to Output, Volts min. DC			1500			
Input to baseplate, Volts min. DC			1500			
Baseplate to output, Volts min. DC			750			
Isolation resistance, MΩ			100			
Isolation capacitance, pF	1500	1000	1000	1000	1000	
Isolation safety rating		. 300	Basic insulation	1		
Current limit inception (98% of Vout, after warmup), Amps	27	22.5	8.5	7.25	4.0	
Short circuit protection method		Current limiting hid	cup autorestart. Remove o	verload for recovery		
Short circuit current, Amps	0.5	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.0	
Short circuit duration	3.0		output shorted to ground.			
Overvoltage protection, Volts (via magnetic feedback)	4.5	6	15	18	29	
DYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS						
Dynamic load response, μSec (50-75-50% load step) to ±1% of final value			50			
Start-up time	1					
Vin to Vout regulated, mSec	20	20	40	30	40	
Remote On/Off to Vout regulated, mSec	5	15	30	25	30	
	245±25	215-250	275 ±25	275 ±25	215 ±15	



DETAIL SPECIFICATIONS, Q12 MODELS, CONTINUED						
ENVIRONMENTAL	UWE-3.3/20-Q12	UWE-5/15-Q12	UWE-12/6-Q12	UWE-15/5-Q12	UWE-24/3-Q12	
Operating temperature range, no baseplate with derating, °C (see Derating curves)	-40 to +85 with derating					
Storage temperature range, °C			-55 to +125			
Maximum baseplate operating temperature, °C			+100			
Thermal protection/shutdown, °C			+120			
Relative humidity	to +85°C/85% non-condensing					
PHYSICAL						
Outline dimensions	See mechanical specs					
Pin material	Copper alloy					
Pin Finish	Nickel underplate with gold overplate (see mechanical specs for details)					
Pin diameter, inches	0.04/0.062					
Pin diameter, mm	1.016/1.575					
Weight, ounces	0.7					
Weight, grams	20					
Electromagnetic interference (conducted)	Meets FCC part 15, class B, EN55022 conducted and CISPR22 class B conducted with external filter.					
Safety	Meets UL/cUL 60950-1, CSA-C22.2 No.60950-1, IEC/EN 60950-1					

	UWE-3.3/20-Q48	UWE-5/15-Q48				
pecs are typical unless noted.						
INPUT						
Input voltage range						
Start-up threshold, Volts	17.5	17.5	17.5			
Undervoltage shutdown, V.	16.5	16.0	16.0			
Overvoltage shutdown, V.						
Reflected (back) ripple current, mA pk-pk	30	30	40			
Suggested external fast blow fuse, A	8	10	10			
Input current						
Full load conditions						
Inrush transient, A²sec	0.1 A ² sec	0.1 A ² sec	0.1 A ² sec			
Input current if output is in short circuit, mA	150	250	100			
No load, mA	75	90	90			
Low line (Vin=min.), Amps	4.1	4.6	4.35			
Standby mode, mA	4	5	4			
(Off, UV, OT shutdown) Internal input filter type	Pi-type	L/C	Pi-type			
Reverse polarity protection	No	Yes	No			
Remote On/Off control		·				
Positive logic ("P" model suffix)	OFF = Ground pin to +0.8V max.					
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Negative logic ("N" model suffix)	OFF = Open pin or +5V to +15V max.					
Negauve logic (N. Illouel Sullix)	ON = Ground pin to +1V max.					
Current, mA	<u> </u>	1	<u> </u>			





ETAIL SPECIFICATIONS, Q48 MODELS, CONTINUED	UWE-3.3/20-Q48	UWE-5/15-Q48	UWE-12/6-048	
Voltage output range	UWE-3.3/2U-Q40	· ·	UWE-12/0-Q40	
/oltage output range		See ordering guide ±1% of Vnom., (50% load)		
Adjustment range		-10 to +10% of Vnom.		
Temperature coefficient		±0.02% of Vout range per °C		
Minimum loading		No minimum load		
Remote sense compensation		+10% max.		
Ripple/noise (20 MHz bandwidth)		See ordering guide		
Line/Load regulation		See ordering guide		
Efficiency		See ordering guide		
Maximum capacitive loading, μF ow ESR <0.02Ω max., resistive load	4,700	10,000	4,700	
Isolation voltage				
Input to Output, Volts min. DC		2250		
Input to baseplate, Volts min. DC		1500		
Baseplate to output, Volts min. DC		750		
Isolation resistance, MΩ		100		
Isolation capacitance, pF	1000	1500	1000	
Isolation safety rating		Basic insulation		
Current limit inception (98% of /out, after warmup), Amps	26.5	21.0	8.0	
Short circuit protection method	Current limit	ing, hiccup autorestart. Remove overload	d for recovery.	
Short circuit current, Amps	5.0	1.5	1.0	
Short circuit duration	Continuous, output shorted to ground. No damage.			
Overvoltage protection, Volts via magnetic feedback)	4	6.5	15	
DYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS				
Dynamic load response, µSec (50-75-50% load step) to final value	50 (to ± 2%)	50 (to ± 2%)	50 (to ± 1%)	
Start-up time				
Vin to Vout regulated, mSec	20	20	30	
Remote On/Off to Vout regulated, mSec	10	20	20	
Switching frequency, KHz	215±20	240±20	220±20	
ENVIRONMENTAL				
Operating temperature range, no baseplate with derating, °C (see Derating curves)		-40 to +85 with derating		
Storage temperature range, °C		-55 to +125		
Maximum baseplate operating temperature, °C	+100	+105	+100	
Thermal protection/shutdown, °C	+120	+120	+120	
Relative humidity		to +85°C/85% non-condensing		
PHYSICAL		3		
Outline dimensions		See mechanical specs		
Pin material		Copper alloy		
Pin Finish	Nickel underpla	te with gold overplate (see mechanical s	specs for details)	
Pin diameter, inches		0.04/0.062	,/	
Pin diameter, mm		1.016/1.575		
Weight, ounces		0.7		
Weight, grams		20		
Electromagnetic interference (conducted)	Designed to meet FCC par	t 15, class B, EN55022 conducted and (CISPR22 class B conducted	
Safety	<u> </u>	CUL 60950-1, CSA-C22.2 No.60950-1,		



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CALCULATED MTBF (TELCORDIA SR-332 METHOD, SEE NOTE 4A)					
Model	Hours				
UWE-3.3/20-Q12	1,248,001				
UWE-5/15-Q12	1,847,009				
UWE-5/15-Q48	2,273,212				
UWE-12/6-Q12	3,755,203				
CALCULATED MTBF (MIL-HDBK-217N2 METHOD, SEE NOTE 4B)					
UWE-3.3/20-Q12	1,089,141				
UWE-5/15-Q12	1,936,627				
UWE-5/15-Q48	1,657,518				
UWE-12/6-Q12	1,239,521				

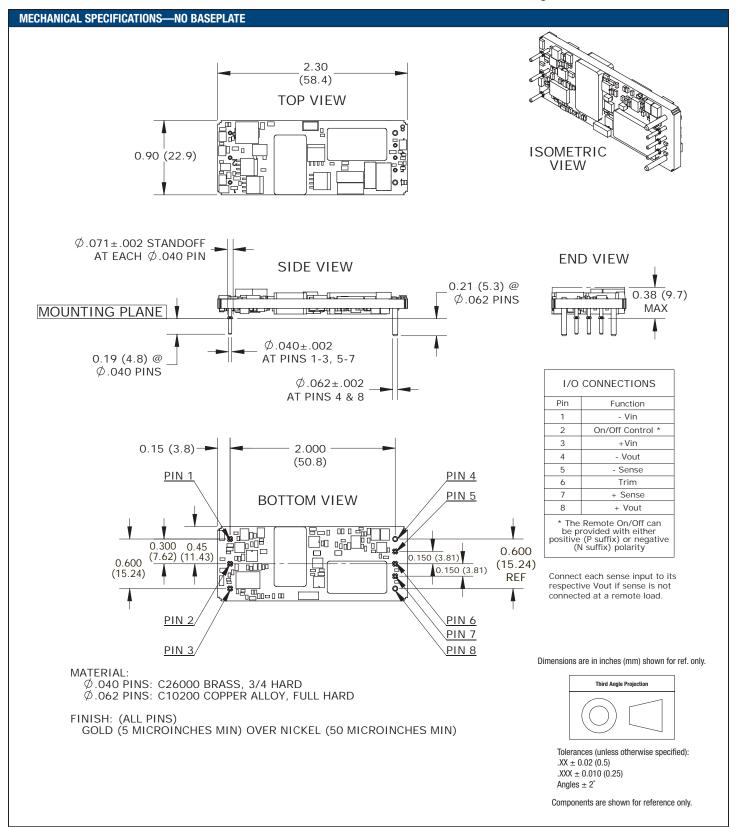
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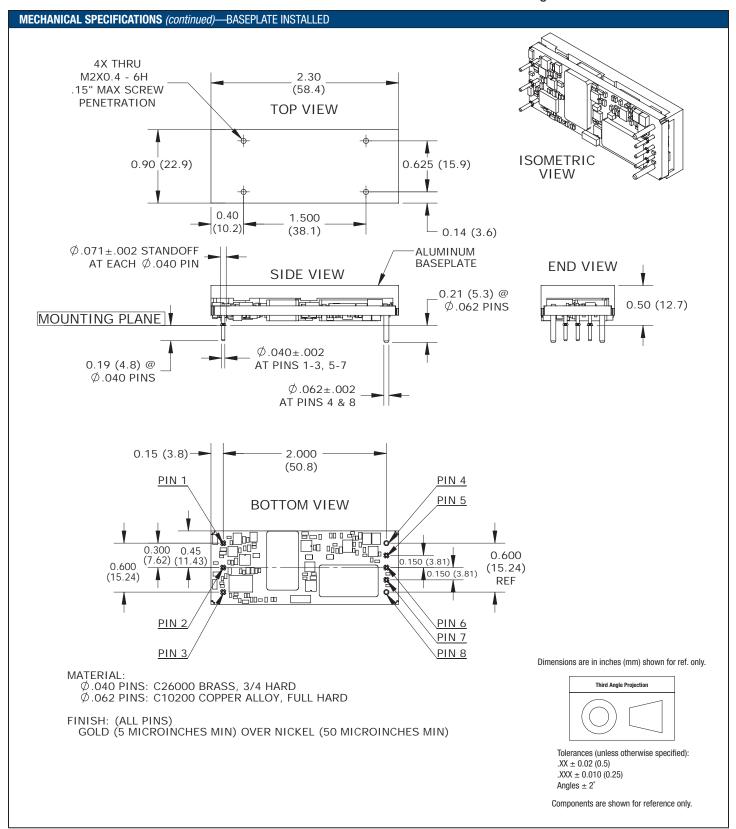
CAUTION: This product is not internally fused. To comply with safety agency certifications and to avoid injury to personnel or equipment, the user must supply an external fast-blow fuse to the input terminals. See fuse information.

- 1 All Q12 models are tested and specified with external 1µF and 10µF paralleled ceramic/tantalum output capacitors and a 100µF external input capacitor. Q48 models test with a 35µF input cap. All capacitors are low ESR types. Contact Murata Power Solutions for details. These capacitors are necessary to accommodate our test equipment and may not be required to achieve specified performance in your applications. However, Murata Power Solutions recommends using these capacitors in your application. All models are stable and regulate within spec under no-load conditions.
 - All specifications are typical unless noted. General conditions for Specifications are +25° C, Vin=nominal, Vout=nominal, full load. Adequate airflow must be supplied for extended testing under power.
- 2 Input Ripple Current is tested and specified over a 5 Hz to 20 MHz bandwidth. Input filtering is Cin=33 μ F, Cbus=220 μ F, Lbus=12 μ H.
- 3 Note that Maximum Power Derating curves indicate an average current at nominal input voltage. At higher temperatures and/or lower airflow, the DC/DC converter will tolerate brief full current outputs if the total RMS current over time does not exceed the Derating curve. All Derating curves are presented at sea level altitude. Be aware that power dissipation degrades as altitude increases.
- 4a Mean Time Before Failure is calculated using the Telcordia (Belcore) SR-332 Method 1, Case 3, ISSUE 2, ground fixed controlled conditions, Tambient=+25°C, full output load, natural air convection.
- 4b Mean Time Before Failure is calculated using MIL-HDBK-217F, GB ground benign, Tambient=+25°C, full output load, natural air convection.
- 5 The Remote On/Off Control is normally controlled by a switch or open collector or open drain transistor. But it may also be driven with external logic or by applying appropriate external voltages which are referenced to Input Common.
- 6 Short circuit shutdown begins when the output voltage degrades approximately 2% from the selected setting.
- 7 The outputs are not intended to sink appreciable reverse current.
- 8 Output noise may be further reduced by adding an external filter. See I/O Filtering and Noise Reduction. Larger caps (especially low-ESR ceramic capacitors) may slow transient response or degrade stability. Use only as much output filtering as needed to achieve your noise requirements and no more. Thoroughly test your system under full load with all components installed.

- 9 All models are fully operational and meet published specifications, including "cold start" at -40° C. At full power, the package temperature of all on-board components must not exceed +128° C.
- 10 Regulation specifications describe the deviation as the line input voltage or output load current is varied from a nominal midpoint value to either extreme.
- 11 If the user adjusts the output voltage, accuracy is dependent on user-supplied trim resistors. To achieve high accuracy, use ±1% or better tolerance metal-film resistors. If no trim is installed, the converter will achieve its rated accuracy. Do not exceed maximum power specifications when adjusting the output trim.
- 12 Output current limit and short circuit protection is non-latching. When the overcurrent fault is removed, the converter will immediately recover.
- 13 Alternate pin length and/or other output voltages may be available under special quantity order.
- 14 At zero output current, the output may contain low frequency components which exceed the ripple specification. The output may be operated indefinitely with no load.
- 15 Input Fusing: To ensure reverse input protection with full output load, always connect an external input slow-blow <u>fuse</u> in series with the +Vin input. Use approximately twice the full input current rating at the selected input voltage.
- "Hiccup" overcurrent operation repeatedly attempts to restart the converter with a brief, full-current output. If the overcurrent condition still exists, the restart current will be removed and then tried again. This short current pulse prevents overheating and damaging the converter. Once the fault is removed, the converter immediately recovers normal operation.
- 17 Note that the converter will operate up to the rated baseplate maximum temperature with the baseplate installed and properly heat sunk. To avoid thermal self-protection shutdown, do not exceed this maximum baseplate temperature.
- 18 UWE-24/3-Q12 undervoltage shutdown of 8.0V is at half load.
- 19 UWE-24/3-Q12 output overvoltage protection requires 0.3A minimum load.
- 20 Pre-bias operation: Startup will succeed if the output setpoint voltage is higher than the pre-existing external output voltage.









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Soldering Guidelines

Murata Power Solutions recommends the specifications below when installing these converters. These specifications vary depending on the solder type. Exceeding these any unstable of any unstable of the solder type.

specifications may cause damage to the product. Your production environment may differ: therefore please thoroughly review these quidelines with your process engineers.

Wave Solder Operations for through-hole mounted products (THMT) For Sn/Ag/Cu based solders: Maximum Preheat Temperature 115° C. Maximum Pot Temperature 270° C. Maximum Solder Dwell Time 7 seconds For Sn/Pb based solders: Maximum Preheat Temperature 105° C. Maximum Pot Temperature 250° C. Maximum Solder Dwell Time 6 seconds

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Input Voltage

Q12 Models - Volts, max. continuous	0-36 VDC
Volts, transient, 100 mS	Sec 0-50 VDC
Q48 Models - Volts, max. continuous	0-75 VDC
Volts, transient, 100 mS	Sec 0-100 VDC
On/Off Control	-0.7 V. min to +15V max.
Input Reverse Polarity Protection	See Fuse section.
Output Overvoltage	Vout nom. +20% max.
Output Current (Note 7)	Current-limited. Devices can withstand sustained short circuit without damage.
Occasional and Declaration	

Overtemperature Protection Device includes electronic overtemperature shutdown protection under normal operation.

Storage Temperature -55 to +125° C.

Lead Temperature See soldering specifications

Absolute maximums are stress ratings. Exposure of devices to greater than any of these conditions may adversely affect long-term reliability. Proper operation under conditions other than those listed in the Performance/Functional Specifications Table is not implied or recommended.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Input Fusing

Certain applications and/or safety agencies may require the installation of fuses at the inputs of power conversion components. Fuses should also be used if the possibility of sustained, non-current-limited, input-voltage polarity reversals exist. For MPS UWE DC/DC Converters, you should use fast-blow type fuses, installed in the ungrounded input supply line. Refer to the specifications for fuse values.

All relevant national and international safety standards and regulations must be observed by the installer. For system safety agency approvals, the converters must be installed in compliance with the requirements of the end-use safety standard, e.g., IEC/EN/UL60950-1.

Input Undervoltage Shutdown and Start-Up Threshold

Under normal start-up conditions, devices will not begin to regulate until the ramping-up input voltage exceeds the Start-Up Threshold Voltage. Once operating, devices will not turn off until the input voltage drops below the

Undervoltage Shutdown limit. Subsequent re-start will not occur until the input is brought back up to the Start-Up Threshold. This built in hysteresis prevents any unstable on/off situations from occurring at a single input voltage.

Start-Up Time

The V_{IN} to V_{OUT} Start-Up Time is the interval of time between the point at which the ramping input voltage crosses the Start-Up Threshold and the fully loaded output voltage enters and remains within its specified accuracy band. Actual measured times will vary with input source impedance, external input/output capacitance, and load. The UWE Series implements a soft start circuit that limits the duty cycle of its PWM controller at power up, thereby limiting the input inrush current.

The On/Off Control to Vout start-up time assumes the converter has its nominal input voltage applied but is turned off via the On/Off Control pin. The specification defines the interval between the point at which the converter is turned on and the fully loaded output voltage enters and remains within its specified accuracy band. Similar to the VIN to Vout start-up, the On/Off Control to Vout start-up time is also governed by the internal soft start circuitry and external load capacitance.

The difference in start up time from V_{IN} to V_{OUT} and from On/Off Control to V_{OUT} is therefore insignificant.

Input Source Impedance

UWE converters must be driven from a low ac-impedance input source. The DC/DC's performance and stability can be compromised by the use of highly inductive source impedances. For optimum performance, components should be mounted close to the DC/DC converter. If the application has a high source impedance, low VIN models can benefit from increased external input capacitance.

I/O Filtering, Input Ripple Current, and Output Noise

All models in the UWE Converters are tested/specified for input reflected ripple current and output noise using the specified external input/output components/ circuits and layout as shown in the following two figures.

External input capacitors (CN in Figure 2) serve primarily as energy-storage elements, minimizing line voltage variations caused by transient IR drops in conductors from backplane to the DC/DC. Input caps should be selected for bulk capacitance (at appropriate frequencies), low ESR, and high rms-ripple-current ratings. The switching nature of DC/DC converters requires that dc voltage sources have low ac impedance as highly inductive source impedance can affect system stability. In Figure 2, CBUS and LBUS simulate a typical dc voltage bus. Your specific system configuration may necessitate additional considerations.

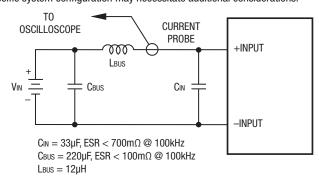


Figure 2. Measuring Input Ripple Current



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In critical applications, output ripple/noise (also referred to as periodic and random deviations or PARD) may be reduced below specified limits using filtering techniques, the simplest of which is the installation of additional external output capacitors. These output caps function as true filter elements and should be selected for bulk capacitance, low ESR and appropriate frequency response. All external capacitors should have appropriate voltage ratings and be located as close to the converter as possible. Temperature variations for all relevant parameters should also be taken carefully into consideration.

The most effective combination of external I/O capacitors will be a function of line voltage and source impedance, as well as particular load and layout conditions.

In Figure 3, the two copper strips simulate real-world pcb impedances between the power supply and its load. In order to minimize measurement errors, scope measurements should be made using BNC connectors, or the probe ground should be less than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch and soldered directly to the fixture.

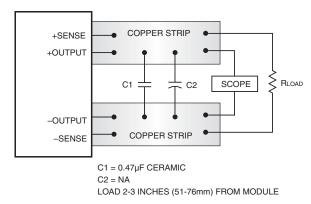


Figure 3. Measuring Output Ripple/Noise (PARD)

Floating Outputs

Since these are isolated DC/DC converters, their outputs are "floating" with respect to their input. Designers will normally use the -Output as the ground/return of the load circuit. You can, however, use the +Output as ground/return to effectively reverse the output polarity.

Minimum Output Loading Requirements

UWE converters employ a synchronous-rectifier design topology and all models regulate within spec and are stable under no-load to full load conditions. Operation under no-load conditions however might slightly increase the output ripple and noise.

Thermal Shutdown

These UWE converters are equipped with thermal-shutdown circuitry. If environmental conditions cause the internal temperature of the DC/DC converter to rise above the designed operating temperature, a precision temperature sensor will power down the unit. When the internal temperature decreases below the threshold of the temperature sensor, the unit will self start. See Performance/Functional Specifications.

Output Overvoltage Protection

UWE output voltages are monitored for an overvoltage condition via magnetic feedback. The signal is coupled to the primary side and if the output voltage rises to a level which could be damaging to the load, the sensing circuitry will power down the PWM controller causing the output voltages to decrease. Following a time-out period the PWM will restart, causing the output voltages to ramp to their appropriate values. If the fault condition persists, and the output voltages again climb to excessive levels, the overvoltage circuitry will initiate another shutdown cycle. This on/off cycling is referred to as "hiccup" mode.

Current Limiting

As soon as the output current increases to substantially above its rated value, the DC/DC converter will go into a current-limiting mode. In this condition, the output voltage will decrease proportionately with increases in output current, thereby maintaining somewhat constant power dissipation. This is commonly referred to as power limiting. Current limit inception is defined as the point at which the full-power output voltage falls below the specified tolerance. See Performance/Functional Specifications. If the load current, being drawn from the converter, is significant enough, the unit will go into a short circuit condition as specified under "Performance."

Short Circuit Condition

When a converter is in current-limit mode, the output voltage will drop as the output current demand increases. If the output voltage drops too low, the magnetically coupled voltage used to develop primary side voltages will also drop, thereby shutting down the PWM controller. Following a time-out period, the PWM will restart causing the output voltages to begin ramping to their appropriate values. If the short-circuit condition persists, another shutdown cycle will be initiated. This on/off cycling is referred to as "hiccup" mode. The hiccup cycling reduces the average output current, thereby preventing internal temperatures from rising to excessive levels. The UWE is capable of enduring an indefinite short circuit output condition.

Features and Options

On/Off Control

The input-side, remote On/Off Control function can be ordered to operate with either polarity:



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Positive-polarity models ("P" part-number suffix) are enabled when the On/Off Control is left open or is pulled high, as per Figure 4. Positive-polarity devices are disabled when the On/Off Control is pulled low.

Negative-polarity devices ("N" suffix) are off when the On/Off Control is open (or pulled high), and on when the On/Off Control is pulled low with respect to $-V_{IN}$ as shown in Figure 5.

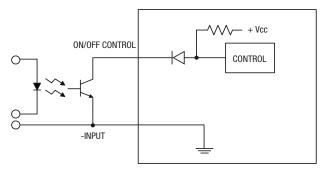


Figure 4. Driving the Positive Polarity On/Off Control Pin

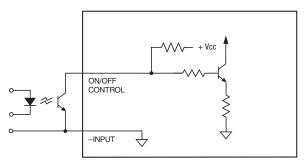


Figure 5. Driving the Negative Polarity On/Off Control Pin

Dynamic control of the remote on/off function is facilitated with a mechanical relay or an open-collector/open-drain drive circuit (optically isolated if appropriate). The drive circuit should be able to sink appropriate current (see Performance Specs) when activated and withstand appropriate voltage when deactivated. Applying an external voltage to the On/Off Control when no input power is applied to the converter can cause permanent damage to the converter.

Trimming Output Voltage

UWE converters have a trim capability that allows users to adjust the output voltages. Adjustments to the output voltages can be accomplished via a trim pot (Figure 6) or a single fixed resistor as shown in Figures 7 and 8. A single fixed resistor can increase or decrease the output voltage depending on its connection. The resistor should be located close to the converter and have a TCR less than 100ppm/°C to minimize sensitivity to changes in temperature. If the trim function is not used, leave the trim pin floating.

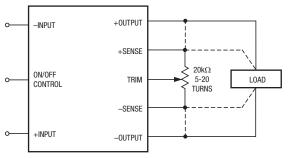


Figure 6. Trim Connections Using A Trimpot

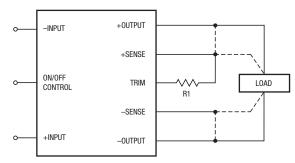


Figure 7. Trim Connections To Increase Output Voltages Using a Fixed Resistor

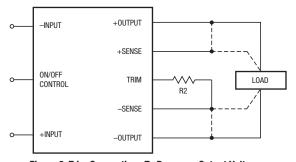


Figure 8. Trim Connections To Decrease Output Voltages

A single resistor connected from the Trim to the +Output, or +Sense where applicable, will increase the output voltage in this configuration. A resistor connected from the Trim to the -Output, or -Sense where applicable, will decrease the output voltage in this configuration.

Trim adjustments greater than the specified range can have an adverse affect on the converter's performance and are not recommended. Excessive voltage differences between Vout and Sense, in conjunction with trim adjustment of the output voltage, can cause the overvoltage protection circuitry to activate (see Performance Specifications for overvoltage limits). Power derating is based on maximum output current and voltage at the converter's output pins. Use of trim and sense functions can cause output voltages to increase, thereby increasing output power beyond the converter's specified rating or cause output voltages to climb into the output overvoltage region. Therefore:

(Vout at pins) x (lout) <= rated output power



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Remote Sense Note: The Sense and Vout lines are internally connected through low value resistors. Nevertheless, if the sense function is not used for remote regulation the user should connect the +Sense to +VouT and -Sense to -Vout at the DC/DC converter pins.

UWE series converters have a sense feature to provide point of use regulation, thereby overcoming moderate IR drops in pcb conductors or cabling. The remote sense lines carry very little current and therefore require minimal cross-sectional-area conductors. The sense lines are used by the feedback control-loop to regulate the output. As such, they are not low impedance points and must be treated with care in layouts and cabling. Sense lines on a pcb should be run adjacent to dc signals, preferably ground. In cables and discrete wiring applications, twisted pair or other techniques should be implemented.

UWE series converters will compensate for drops between the output voltage at the DC/DC and the sense voltage at the DC/DC provided that:

$$[\text{Vout(+)} - \text{Vout(-)}] - [\text{Sense(+)} - \text{Sense (-)}] \leq 5\% \text{ Vout}$$

Output overvoltage protection is monitored at the output voltage pin, not the Sense pin. Therefore, excessive voltage differences between Vout and Sense in conjunction with trim adjustment of the output voltage can cause the overvoltage protection circuitry to activate (see Performance Specifications for overvoltage limits). Power derating is based on maximum output current and voltage at the converter's output pins. Use of trim and sense functions can cause output voltages to increase thereby increasing output power beyond the UWE's specified rating or cause output voltages to climb into the output overvoltage region. Also, the use of Trim Up and Sense combined may not exceed +10% of Vout. Therefore, the designer must ensure:

(Vout at pins) x (lout) \leq rated output power

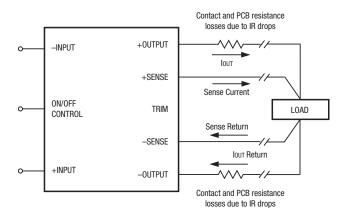


Figure 10. Remote Sense Circuit Configuration

Trim Equations

Trim Up **Trim Down**

3.3 Volt Output							
$R_{T_{UP}}(k\Omega) = \frac{13.3(V_O - 1.226)}{V_O - 3.3} - 10.2$	$R_{T_{DOWN}}(k\Omega) = \frac{16.31}{3.3 - V_O} -10.2$						
5 Volt (5 Volt Output						
$R_{T_{UP}}(k\Omega) = \frac{20.4(V_O - 1.226)}{V_O - 5} -10.2$	$R_{T_{DOWN}}(k\Omega) = \frac{25.01}{5 - V_O} -10.2$						
12 Volt Output							
$R_{T_{UP}}(k\Omega) = \frac{49.6(V_O - 1.226)}{V_O - 12} - 10.2$	$R_{T_{DOWN}}(k\Omega) = \frac{60.45}{12 - V_O} -10.2$						
15 Volt	Output						
$R_{T_{UP}}(k\Omega) = \frac{62.9(V_0 - 1.226)}{V_0 - 15} - 10.2$	$R_{T_{DOWN}}(k\Omega) = \frac{76.56}{15 - V_O} -10.2$						
24 Volt Output							
$Rr_{UP}(k\Omega) = \frac{101(Vo - 1.226)}{Vo - 24} -10.2$	$R_{T_{DOWN}}(k\Omega) = \frac{124.2}{24 - V_O} -10.2$						

Note: Resistor values are in $k\Omega$. Adjustment accuracy is subject to resistor tolerances and factory-adjusted output accuracy. Vo = desired output voltage.

On/Off Enable Control Ground Bounce Protection

To improve reliability, if you use a small signal transistor or other external circuit to select the Remote On/Off control, make sure to return the LO side directly to the -Vin power input on the DC/DC converter. To avoid ground bounce errors, do not connect the On/Off return to a distant ground plane or current-carrying bus. If necessary, run a separate small return wire directly to the -Vin terminal. There is very little current (typically 1-5 mA) on the On/Off control however, large current changes on a return ground plane or ground bus can accidentally trigger the converter on or off. If possible, mount the On/Off transistor or other control circuit adjacent to the converter.

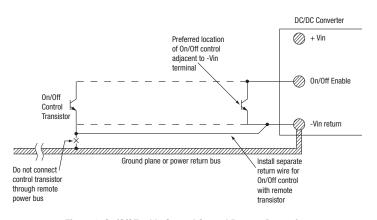
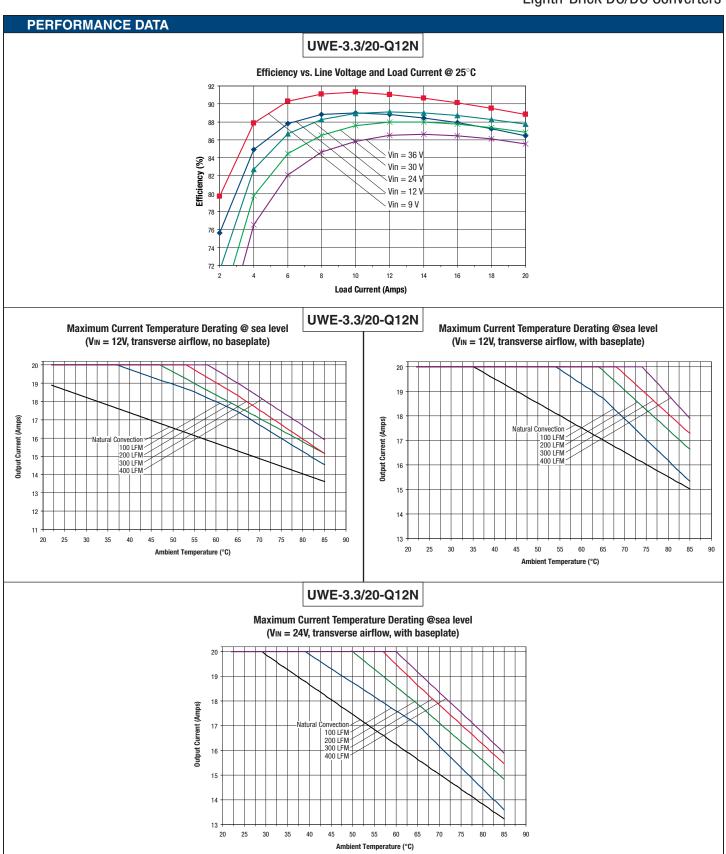
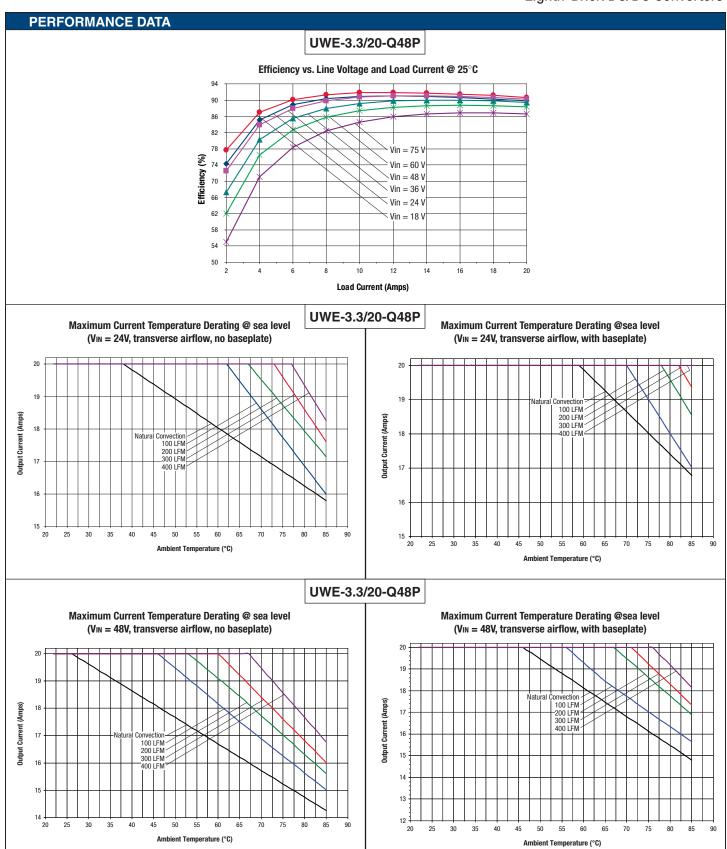
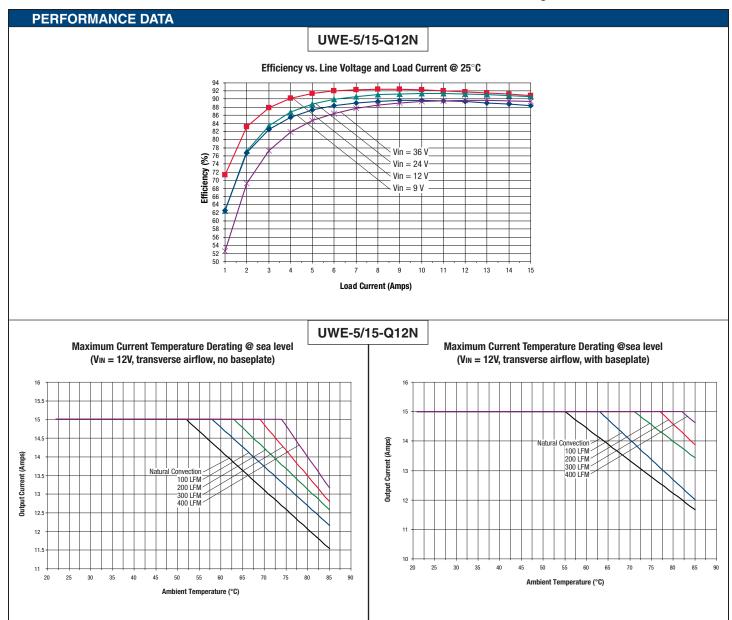


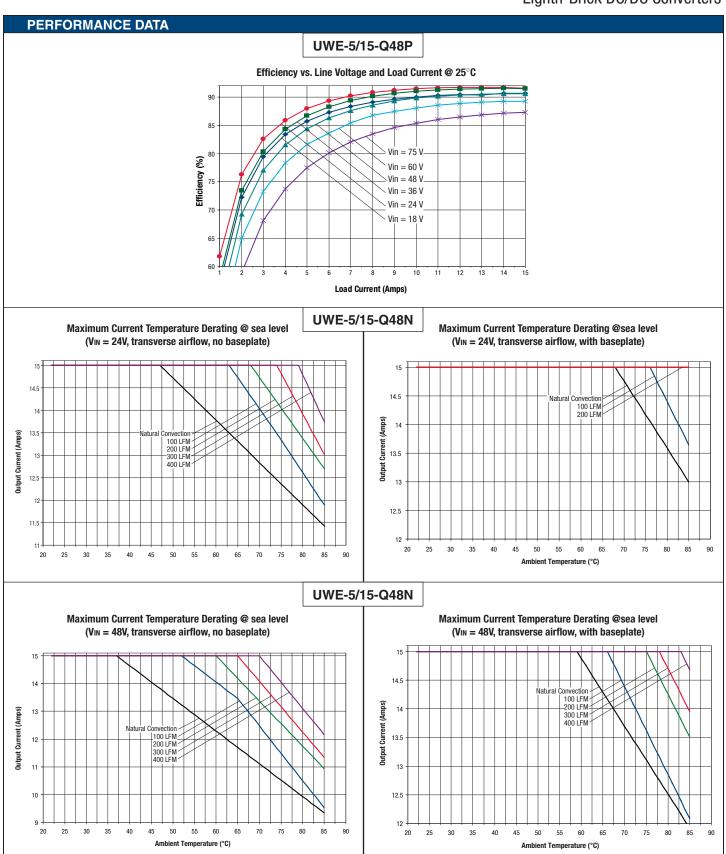
Figure 9. On/Off Enable Control Ground Bounce Protection

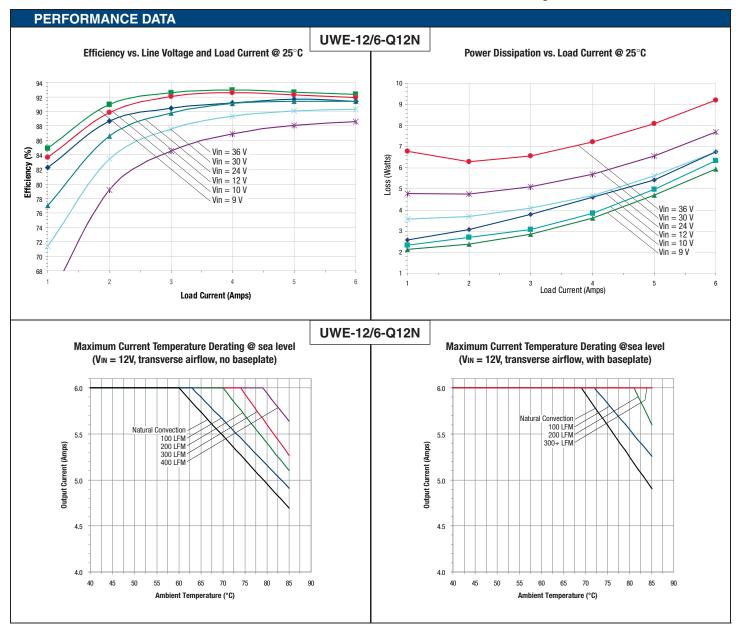


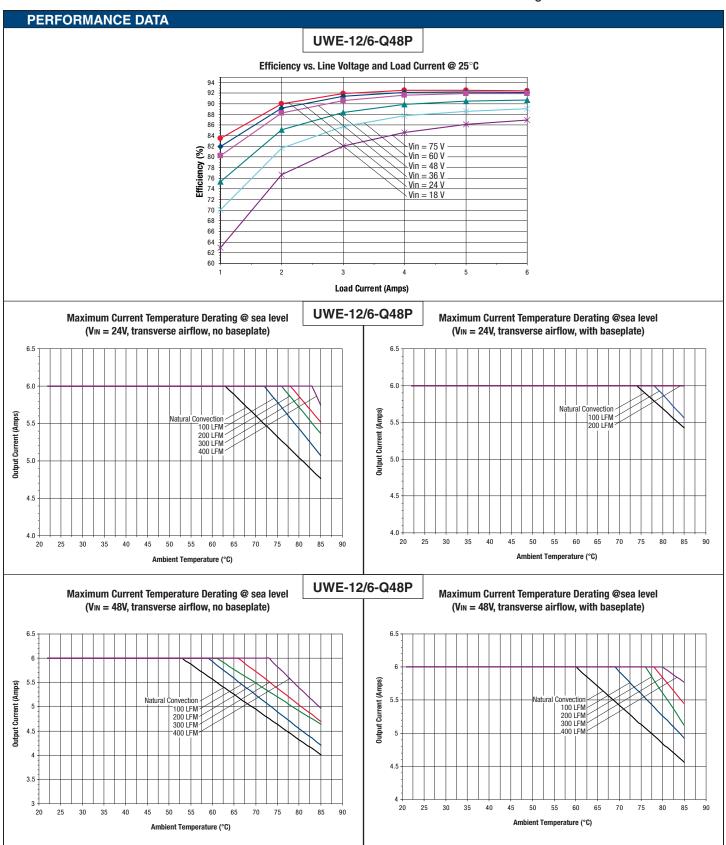


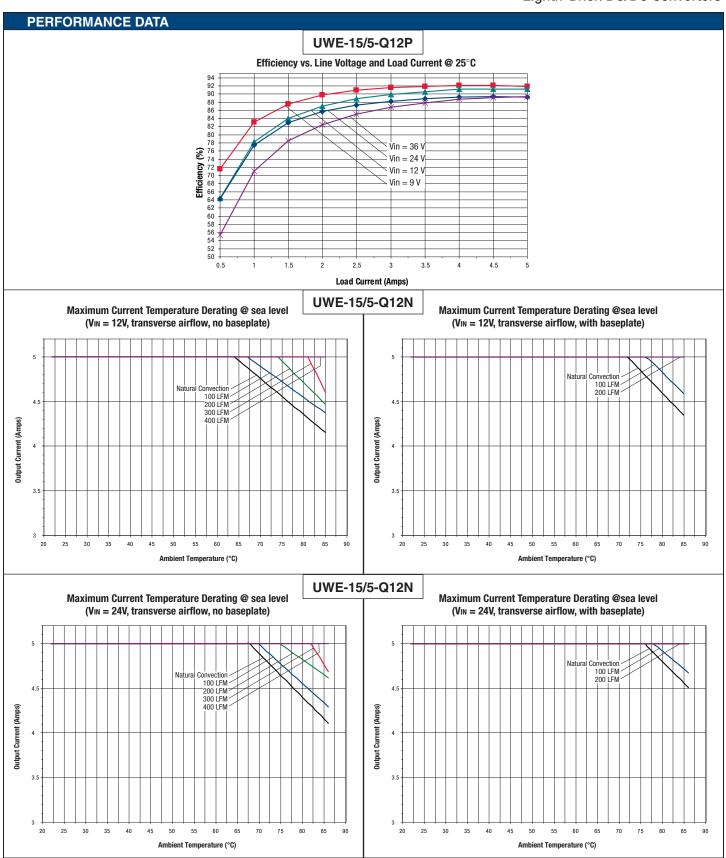


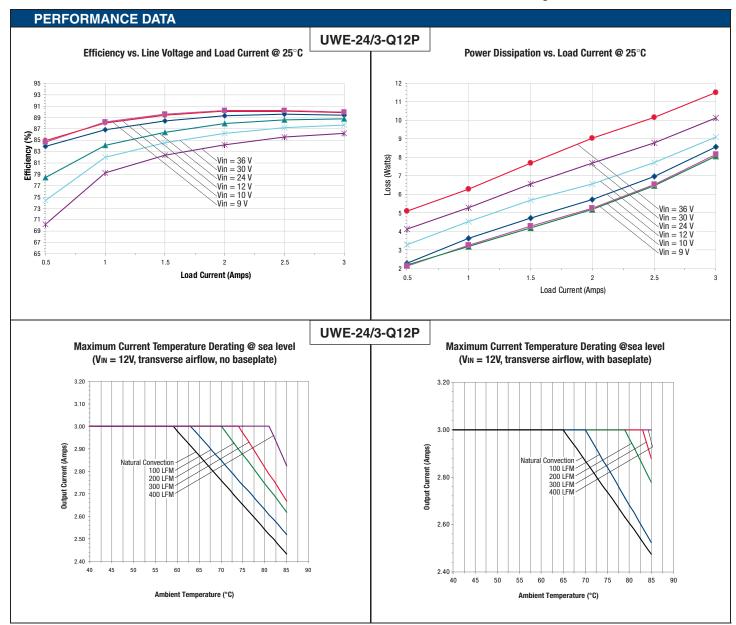








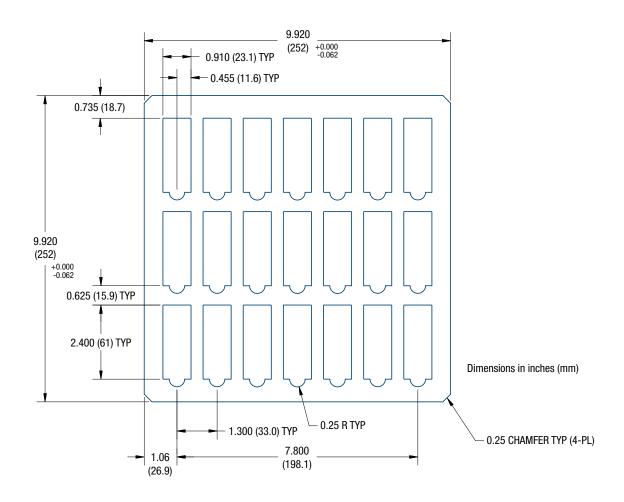




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SHIPPING TRAY

UWE modules are supplied in a 21-piece (3-by-7) shipping tray. The tray is an anti-static closed-cell polyethylene foam. Dimensions are shown below.





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