

MIL-DTL-38999 Connector Performance Specifications



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Dielectric Withstanding Voltage	(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.14) Test voltage at sea level — 1300 Volts AC (rms). Wired, assembled, unmated connectors withstand the following: <table><tr><td>550 VAC (rms) @ 50,000 ft.</td></tr><tr><td>350 VAC (rms) @ 70,000 ft.</td></tr><tr><td>200 VAC (rms) @ 100,000 ft.</td></tr></table>	550 VAC (rms) @ 50,000 ft.	350 VAC (rms) @ 70,000 ft.	200 VAC (rms) @ 100,000 ft.																																																																																					
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Thermal Shock	(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.7) After cycling the connector between -65° C and +175° C, it will meet all applicable electrical and mechanical requirements.																										
Physical Shock	(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.27) No loosening of parts, cracking or other deleterious results hindering further part operation after 300 G's in each of 3 mutually perpendicular planes.																										
Fluid Compatibility	(meets MIL-DTL-38999, paragraph 3.33) Designed to function in all fluids encountered in any modern military or aerospace environment																										
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High Impact Shock	(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.27) Mated connectors, wired with MIL-C-915/60 or /63 cable and equipped with straight environmentally sealed backshells, withstand high impact shock per MIL-S-901.																										
Vibration	(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.26) There shall be no electrical discontinuity and there shall be no disengagement of the mated connectors, backing off of the coupling mechanism, evidence of cracking, breaking, or loosening of parts.																										
Fungus	(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 4.2.2) Materials used in the construction of these connectors shall be fungus inert per certification of method 508.4 of MIL-STD-810																										
Corrosion	(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.16) When tested in accordance with EIA-364-26, meets appropriate electrical and mechanical requirements and shows no exposure of base metal after 500 hours of salt spray																										

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Mating / Unmating Forces	<i>(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.10)</i> The coupling torque for mating and unmating of the counterpart connectors and protective covers shall meet the requirements MIL-DTL-38999, paragraph 3.10.																																																																																																		
Durability	<i>(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.11)</i> No electrical or mechanical defects after 500 cycles of engagement and disengagement																																																																																																		
Insert Retention	<i>(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.15)</i> Unmated connectors shall retain their inserts in their proper location in the shell and there shall be no evidence of cracking, breaking, separation from the shell, or loosening of parts.																																																																																																		
Contact Retention	<i>(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.23)</i> The axial displacement of the contact shall not exceed .012 inch (0.30 mm). No damage to contacts or inserts shall result.																																																																																																		
Coupling Pin Strength	<i>(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.20)</i> Applicable to series I and II only Bayonet coupling pins shall withstand a load of 50 +5, -0 pounds without displacement or perceptible loosening of coupling pins.																																																																																																		
Contact Engagement and Disengagement Forces	<i>(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.16)</i> Applicable to hermetic connectors with sockets only Contact engagement and separating forces shall be within the limits specified in SAE-AS39029 .																																																																																																		
Resistance to Probe Damage	<i>(meets MIL-C-38999, paragraph 3.42)</i> Applicable to hermetic connectors with sockets only Contacts shall withstand the bending moment and depth of test probe insertion without evidence of damage that would interfere with the mechanical or electrical performance.																																																																																																		
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