The Rotary Encoder series includes optical and magnetic encoders. Optical models run from \( \varphi \ 12 \) to \( \varphi \ 30 \) and include small, light weight, and low cost models, as well as high resolution, and manual setting models. These encoders can be used to sense the angle, size and rotation speed of industrial equipment, including industrial robots, numerically controlled (NC) machine tools, elevators, production equipment, terminals at financial institutions, computer peripheral equipment, etc. They can also be used as manual setting encoders for digital equipment, such as measuring, communications and medical equipment.

### BASIC CONSTRUCTIONS

- **Optical encoders**
  The light from the LED which passes through the slit of the rotating disk actuates the photo-sensor. The output of the photo-sensor which is quasi-sinusoidal is shaped into square wave by the voltage comparator and fed into a logic circuit.

- **Magnetic encoders**
  Principle structure is composed of magnetic sensor and magnetic drum (corresponding to LED and photo-sensor in an optical encoder). Without power consuming LED, total dissipation power of the magnetic encoder is far less than that optical encoder.
■ OUTPUT SIGNALS

- **Quasi-sinusoidal signal output (RE20F)**

Output signals of the RE20F rotary encoders are direct signals from the photo-sensor in the quasi-sinusoidal wave form. An external circuit is therefore required to shape them into square wave signals. Fig. 3 shows the output amplitude variation (ripple), $\Delta E_s$ which is defined as follows.

$$\Delta E_s = \left( \frac{E_{s \text{ maximum}}}{E_{s \text{ minimum}}} - 1 \right) \times 100 \% \quad \Delta E_s \leq 40 \%$$

- **Square wave signal output**

(REC16, RES16, RES20D, REC20D, RESW20D, RECW20D, RMS20, REC20, RES20B, REC20C, RE12D, RE30E)

Output signals of the series encoders are in the form of square waves and can be fed into a digital circuit directly without an interface.

There are three versions available, for 5 V output, 12 V output and 24 V output.


**OPERATING PRINCIPLES**

**ROTARY ENCODERS**

### OUTPUT PHASES

Output “A” : This is a basic output and will give as many pulses per turn as the resolution.

Output “B” : This output is the same as the output “A” except that there is an electrical phase difference of 90° between the output “A” and “B” and is used to sense the direction of rotation. The rotating direction is usually determined by sensing the signal level of the output “B” at the pulse edge of the output “A”.

Output “Z” : This is an index output of one pulse per turn and is used as a reset signal or start signal. The encoders are so designed that there will be only one rising edge on CW rotation (falling edge on CCW rotation) in the output “B” during the time period when the output “Z” is “high”. Therefore, an ideal reference position signal can be obtained by getting the outputs “B” and “Z”.

![Diagram of output phases](image)

**SPEED, RESOLUTION AND FREQUENCY RESPONSE**

The maximum operating speed of the encoders is given by the following formula:

\[
\text{Maximum speed (min}^{-1}) = \frac{\text{Maximum frequency response (Hz)} \times 60}{\text{Resolution (P/R)}}
\]

Note) Encoders exceeding the above limit may be available on a special order basis.
● Input equipment for image simulation, e.g. CAD

● Cursor position setting for wave observation of Oscilloscope etc.

● For manual setting of broadcasting system, e.g. switcher

● Level settings for ultrasound imaging devices
1. Cautions regarding handling
   - The encoder comprises precision parts and should be handled carefully. If the shaft or body are struck, dropped, or otherwise subjected to shock, function may be impaired.
   - When installing the encoder, minimize the eccentricity and declination and use flexible couplings to reduce the load on the shaft. If the load is increased, it will reduce the life of the bearings.

2. Use environment
   - The encoders do not have drip-proof construction. Prevent exposure to oil, water and other liquids. (RESW20D & RECW20D are with panel seal.)

3. Wiring
   - Error in wiring or power supply voltage can damage in internal circuitry. Take sufficient care during wiring.
   - To prevent induction noise, make cable wire lengths as short as possible. Do not run wires parallel to high voltage or other power wires.

4. Installation
   <Bushing mount type>

   ![Bushing mount type](image)

   <Screw mount type>

5. Soldering conditions:
   (Manual setting encoders RES16A, REC16B, REC16M, REC16K)
   - Manual soldering
     Use solder gun under 20W, Soldering shall be done at 350 °C (lead-free for 3 seconds [max.]).
   - Dip soldering
     The PCB thickness is 1.6mm above with one side copper lamination or two sides copper lamination.
     For Flux, It is applied on half of PCB with specific gravity (0.83-0.85) with bubble.
     For pre-heat, the surface temperature is under 100°C within 1 minute.
     The soldering temperature is under 260°C. The process is within 5 seconds one time only.
   - Reflow Soldering
     It will destroy the function. Please do not proceed.
PROTECTION GRADE

- Protection grade applies to the environment of rotary encoder use.
- The Protection grade aims at water protection. For the oil or various types of liquid, please be reminded that the degree of protection is different.

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Related standards:
IEC (The International Electrotechnical Commission) standard IEC 60529
Degrees of protection provided by enclosures
JIS (Japanese Industrial Standards) standards JIC-C-0920
Test to prove protection against ingress of water and degree of protection

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- KNOB FOR SETTING ENCODERS

The knobs are sold separately as an optional item.

- OUTPUT
  - RES20D/REC20D/RESW20D/RECW20D

- RES20

- RES20 *** Z

- REC20/RES20B/REC20C