# Standard Heavy Duty Limit Switches FD/FP/FL

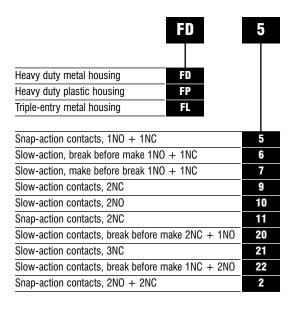


Heavy duty limit switches with snap-action contacts and positive break according to BS/EN60947-5-1.

- Bifurcated contacts for low resistance and high reliability suitable for switching low-level electronic currents
- Double-break contacts with electrically separate NO and NC circuits in conformity with VDE 0660 part 206
- 10A 500VAC/600VDC rated
- Lever types can be user-set to switch by clockwise movement only, anti-clockwise only or both
- Turret head position rotatable in 90° increments
- Centre-position indicator arrow lever actuators
- Wide range of actuators
- Single and triple cable entry models
- Removable contact block for ease of wiring
- Metal or plastic housing options
- IP66 according to BS EN60947-1
- FD and FP dimensions in accordance with EN50041
- UL and CUL approved



# **Options and ordering codes**



-	Standar	d actuators - see following pages for type options
38		Specify lever type for lift-style switches
	VFL313	Fixed position roller
	VFL353	Single adjustment roller
	VFL354	Dual adjustment roller
-	Standar	d actuators - see following pages for type options
385		Specify lever type for life-style switches
	VFL313	Fixed position roller
	VFL353	Single adjustment roller
	VFL354	Dual adjustment roller

Please note: Positive break applies to the NC contacts of types 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 20, 21 and 22 only.

# **Contact ratings**

# BS/EN 60947-5-1

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AC15 – Control of AC electromagnetic	230VAC	6A
loads>72VA sealed – replaces AC11	400VAC	4A
	500VAC	1A
DC13 - Control of DC electromagnetic	24VDC	6A
loads where the time taken to reach	125VDC	1.1A
95% of the rated current is equal to	250VDC	0.4A

6 times the power of the load (where P≤ 50W) - replaces DC11

# **Terminal connections**

Terminal screws: M3.5 with rising cable clamps. Standard contacts: (type 5) NO: 13–14 NC: 21–22

Note: The positive break of the type 5 contact block applies to the NC contacts only. Connections to safety circuits should NOT be made using the NO contacts.

To ensure positive breaking of the contacts, exceed the pre-travel by 1.5mm or 25° according to the model. Maximum screw tightening torque 0.8Nm (8Kgcm)



# **Specification**

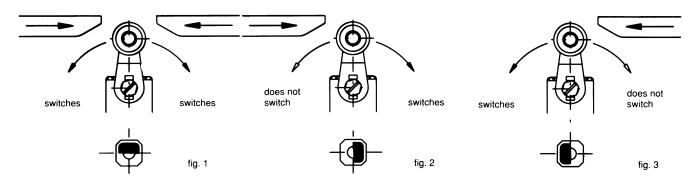
Rated thermal current Ith	10A
Rated working voltage	500VAC/600VDC
Maximum operating frequency	6000/hour
Mechanical life	>20 million operations
Contact form	1NO + 1NC
Initial contact resistance	<25 m0hms
Contact gap	>2.5mm (2 x 1.25mm conforming to VDE 0660 part 206)
Contact material	silver
Dielectric strength	2000VAC, 50/60Hz for 1 minute between open contacts 2000VAC, 50/60Hz for 1 minute between current-carrying parts and ground
Protection rating	IP65
Ambient operating temperature	-25 to +80 deg. C
Ambient humidity	95% R.H.
Maximum wire size	2 x 1.5mm² flexible, 2 x 2.5mm² solid
Housing material	FD/FL die-cast metal alloy, FP: self-extinguishing, glass-reinforced, thermoplastic resin
Conduit entry	PG 13.5

# **Programmable head – lever operation models**

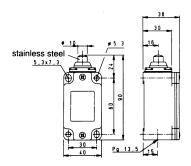
All limit switches with lever operation in the FD/FP/FL ranges can be user-set to switch by clockwise rotation only, anti-clockwise only or both. To change the operation, which is factory set to switch in both directions, the four screws securing the turret head should be loosened, the head removed and the internal piston rotated through 90°. The head should then be replaced.

The models to which this applies are: 531; 532; 533; 535; 536; 538; 551; 552; 553.

Figure 1 shows the piston position for switching in both directions, figure 2 for clockwise only and figure 3 for anti-clockwise only.

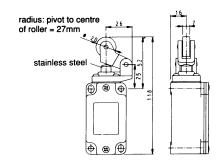


# Standard actuator options - FD and FP series



### Actuator type 01 Piston plunger

Piston plunger		
Operating force min.	OF	820g
Pre-travel	PT	2mm
Over-travel	OT	4mm
Movement differential	MD	1mm
Operating point	0P	22mm
Operating speed max.	0S	0.5m/s



# Actuator type 02

One-way roller - top actuated

OF 615g PT 2.9mm OT 5.6mm MD 1.6mm

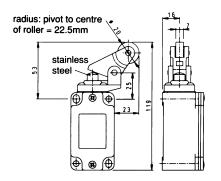
OP 49.1mm OS 0.5m/s using a 30° cam

Note: ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller

actuator part no.: 021



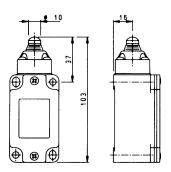
# Standard actuator options - FD and FP series continued



## **Actuator type 05** One-way roller-side actuated

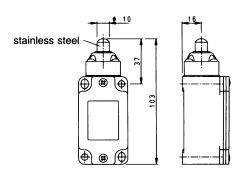
0F 615g 2.9mm 0T 5.6mm 1.6mm

OS 0.5m/s using a 30° cam Note: ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.: 051



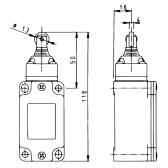
#### **Actuator type 10** Sealed piston plunger

1125g 2mm 4mm 1mm 35mm 0.5m/s



## Actuator type 11 Long piston plunger

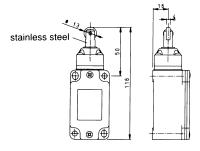
820g 2mm 0T 4mm 1mm 0P 35mm 0.5m/s



#### **Actuator type 15** Sealed roller piston plunger

0F 1125g PT OT 2mm 4mm MD 1mm 48mm

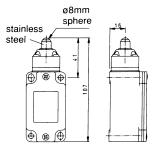
0.5m/s using a 30° cam Note: ø13mm metal roller only



#### **Actuator type 16** Roller piston plunger

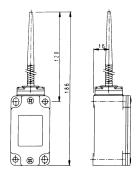
820g 2mm OT 4mm MD 1mm 48mm

0.5m/s using a 30° cam Note: ø13mm metal roller only



#### **Actuator type 18** Rolling ball piston plunger

820g 2mm OT 4mm MD 1mm 39mm 0.5m/s



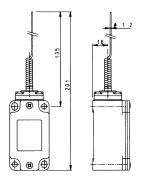
### **Actuator type 20** Sealed coil spring with flexible rod

ΩF 125g at 2/3 the length of the actuator

0T MD

Notes: Not suitable for safety circuits

Not suitable for use with contact blocks 20, 21 or 22



### **Actuator type 21**

Sealed coil spring with cat's whisker

92g at 2/3 the length of the actuator 14°

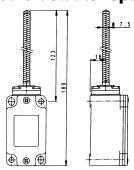
0T MD

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# Standard actuator options - FD and FP series continued



#### **Actuator type 25** Sealed coil spring

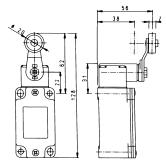
195g at 2/3 the length of the actuator

OT MD

0P 08 1m/s

Notes: Not suitable for safety circuits

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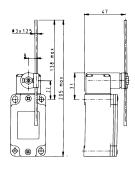
# **Actuator type 31**

Roller-lever with small offset

OF PT 1530gcm 30 OT 45° MD

08 1.5m/s using a 30° cam

Notes: 1. ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.:311; ø35mm plastic roller actuator part no.:312; ø50mm rubber roller actuator part no.:313. 2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments



# **Actuator type 32**

Adjustable round steel rod lever

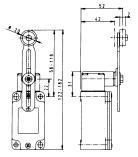
Actuator type 33 Adjustable square steel rod lever (rod 3x3x125)

1530gcm 30°

0T 45 MD14° 0P

OS

Note: Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10°



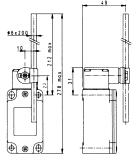
# **Actuator type 35**

Adjustable roller lever OF 1530gcm

1530gcm PT OT 30° 45° MD 14°

1.5m/s using a 30° cam

Notes: 1. ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.:351; ø35mm plastic roller actuator part no.:352; ø50mm rubber roller actuator part no.:353. 2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments



#### **Actuator type 36** Adjustable glass-fibre rod lever

1530gcm

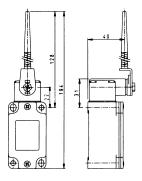
30° 45° 14°

ΩT MD

1.5m/s

Notes: 1. Not suitable for safety circuits.

2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments



# Actuator type 38+VFL34

Coiled spring lever with flexible rod

1530gcm

30°

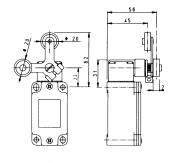
45° 14° 0T MD

0P

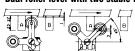
0S 1.5m/s

Notes: 1. Not suitable for safety circuits.

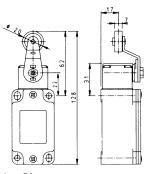
2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments



#### **Actuator type 40** Dual roller lever with two stable free positions



Specify lever type: Double track (shown above) VFL42 Single track (not shown) VFL41 Steel rod lever VFL43



#### Actuator type 51 Roller-lever with large offset

920gcm

30°

0T 45°

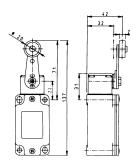
1.5m/s using a 30  $^{\circ}$  cam

Notes: 1. ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.:511.

2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments



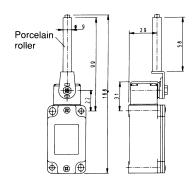
# Standard actuator options – FD and FP series continued



#### **Actuator type 52** Roller lever without offset

920gcm 30 0T 45 MD 14° 0P 08 1.5m/s

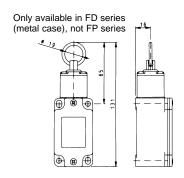
Notes: 1. ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.:521: ø35mm plastic roller actuator part no.:522; ø50mm rubber roller actuator part no.:523. 2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments



#### **Actuator type 53** Porcelain roller lever

615gcm PT 30 OT. 45° MD 14°

Note: Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10°



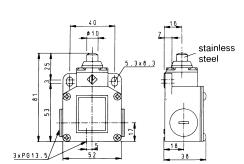
### **Actuator type 76**

2450g 0F

1.8mm 6.4mm OT MD 1mm 0P

Note: Not suitable for safety circuits. For rope operated safety switches, see Safety Limit Switches data sheet on

# Standard actuator options - FL series

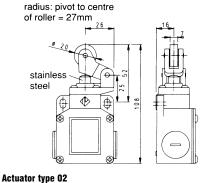


# Actuator type 01 Piston plunger

820g 2mm 0T 4mm

MD1mm 0P 23mm

0.5 m/s



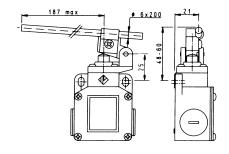
# One-way roller - top actuated

615g

PT 2.9mm ΛT 5.6mm 1.6mm MD 49.1mm

0.5m/s using a 30° cam

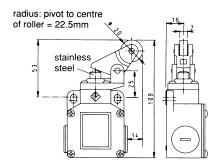
Note: ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.:021



# **Actuator type 04**

Piston plunger with adjustable glass-fibre rod lever

೧F OT Variable – dependent on glass-fibre rod position 0P 0S

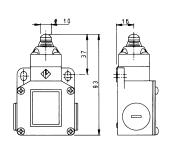


### **Actuator type 05** One-way roller - side actuated

615g 2.9mm ΩF 0T 5.6mm 1.6mm

0.5m/s using a 30  $^{\circ}$  cam

Note: ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.:051



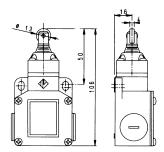
# **Actuator type 10**

Sealed piston plunger ΩF 1125g РТ 2mm 0T 4mm 1mm 35mm

0.5 m/s



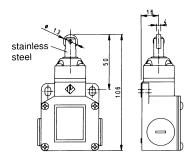
# Standard actuator options - FL series continued



# **Actuator type 15** Sealed roller piston plunger OF 1125g

2mm OT 4mm 1mm 48mm

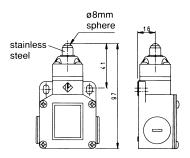
0.5m/s using a 30° cam Note: ø13mm metal roller only



#### **Actuator type 16** Roller piston plunger

820g 2mm OT 4mm 1mm 48mm

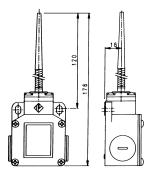
0.5m/s using a 30° cam Note: ø13mm metal roller only



### Actuator type 18 Rolling ball piston plunger

. 820g 2<sub>mm</sub> OT 4mm 39mm

0.5m/s

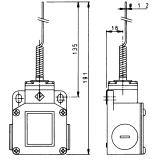


# **Actuator type 20**

Sealed coil spring with flexible rod

125g at 2/3 the length of the actuator PT OT MD OP 1m/s

Notes: Not suitable for safety circuits Not suitable for use with contact blocks 20, 21 or 22



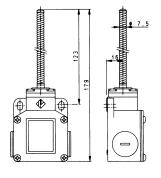
# **Actuator type 21**

Sealed coil spring with cat's whisker

92g at 2/3 the length of the actuator 0T MD OP

1m/s

Notes: Not suitable for safety circuits Not suitable for use with contact blocks 20, 21 or 22



# **Actuator type 25**

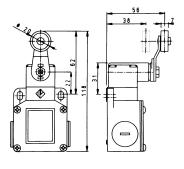
Sealed coil spring

195g at 2/3 the length of the actuator

OT MD OP

Notes: Not suitable for safety circuits

Not suitable for use with contact blocks 20, 21 or 22



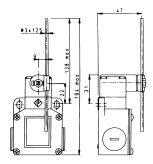
# Actuator type 31 Roller lever with small offset

1530gcm 30° 45° PT OT

MD OP 14°

1.5m/s using a 30  $^{\circ}$  cam

Notes: 1. ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.:311; ø35mm plastic roller actuator part no.:312; ø50mm rubber roller actuator part no.:313. 2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments



# Actuator type 32 Adjustable round steel rod lever

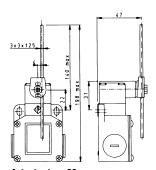
1530gcm PT OT 30° 45° MD14°

Note: Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10°

increments



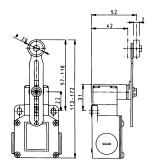
# Standard actuator options - FL series continued



#### **Actuator type 33** Adjustable square steel rod lever

1530gcm PT OT MD OP 45° 14°

Note: Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10°

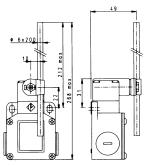


#### **Actuator type 35** Adjustable roller lever

1530gcm 30° OT MD 45° 14° 0P

1.5m/s using a 30° cam

Notes: 1. ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.:351; ø35mm plastic roller actuator part no.:352; ø50mm rubber roller actuator part no.:353. 2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments

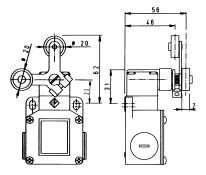


#### **Actuator type 36** Adjustable glass-fibre rod lever

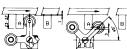
30 45° 14° 0T MD 0P

Notes: 1. Not suitable for safety circuits.

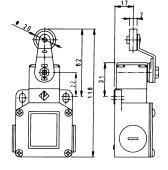
2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments



### **Actuator type 40** Dual roller lever with two stable free positions



Specify lever type: Double track (shown above) VFL42 Single track (not shown) VFL41 Steel rod lever VFL43

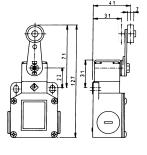


#### **Actuator type 51** Roller lever with large offset

920gcm 30 OT 45° 14° MD

1.5m/s using a 30° cam

Notes: 1. ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.: 511. 2. Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments

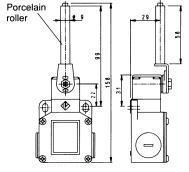


### Actuator type 52 Roller lever without offset

920gcm 30° 45° 14° OT MD.

1.5m/s using a 30° cam

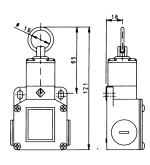
Notes: 1. ø20mm plastic roller as standard, ø20mm metal roller actuator part no.: 521; ø35mm plastic roller actuator part no.: 522; ø50mm rubber roller actuator part no.:523. 2. Lever position adjustable over  $360^\circ$  in  $10^\circ$  increments



#### **Actuator type 53** Porcelain roller lever

615gcm 30° PT 0T 45 MD 14

Note: Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10°



# **Actuator type 76**

2450g 1.8mm 0T 6.4mm MD1mm

66.8mm

Note: Not suitable for safety circuits. For rope operated safety switches, see Safety Limit Switches data sheet on page ????



# **Glossary**

The following is a glossary of terms in specifying actuator characteristics:

#### Operating force (OF)

The force applied to the actuator required to operate the switch contacts.

### Releasing force (RF)

The value to which the force on the actuator must be reduced to allow the contacts to return to the normal position.

### Total force (TF)

The force applied to the actuator required to reach the stopper from the free position.

### Free position (FP)

The initial position of the actuator when there is no external force applied.

### **Operating position (OP)**

The position of the actuator at which the contacts snap to the operated contact position measured with respect to the centres of the mounting holes.

# Releasing position (RP)

The position of the actuator at which the contacts snap from the operated contact position to their normal position.

# **Total travel position (TTP)**

The position of the actuator when it reaches the limit of travel - must not be exceeded

# Pretravel (PT)

The distance or angle through which the actuator moves from the free position to the operating position.

#### Overtravel (OT)

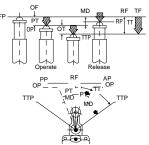
The distance or angle of the actuator movement beyond the operating position.

# **Movement differential (MD)**

The distance or angle from the operating position to the releasing position.

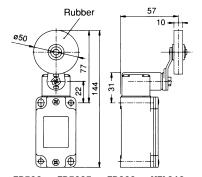
# Total travel (TT)

The sum of the pretravel and overtravel expressed by distance or angle.



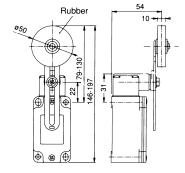
# **Lift-style switches**

# **EXAMPLES**

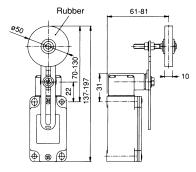


FD538 or FD5385 or FD938 + VFL313 FP538 or FP938 + VFL313 **Turret type 38** 

Lever type VFL313 (fixed position roller)



FD538 or FD5385 or FD938 + VFL353 FP538 or FP938 + VFL353 **Turret type 38** Lever type VFL353 (single adjustment roller)



FD538 or FD5385 or FD938 + VFL354 FP538 or FP938 + VFL354 Turret type 38 Lever type VFL354 (dual adjustment roller)

- Three lever options.
- FL model also available with a choice of lever.
- Age-resistant and oil-resistant rubber rollers.
- Lever position adjustable over 360° in 10° increments.
- Head rotatable in 90° increments.

- User-selectable to switch by clockwise movement only, anti-clockwise only, or both.
- Glass-reinforced thermoplastic resin model (FP) double insulated for electrical safety.
- Die-cast metal alloy models (FD and FL) include earth terminal.

Types VFL353 and have a location slot at the end to lock the levers at full extension if required.

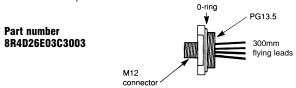


# **Replacement contact blocks**

В5	1NO+1NC 13 21 \( \frac{1}{7} - \frac{7}{7} \) 14 22	Positive break Snap action standard contact block
В6	1N0+1NC 13 21 \( - \frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{7} \) 14 22	Positive break Slow action break before make
В7	1NO+1NC 13 21 1 - 1 14 22	Positive break Slow action make before break
B9 B14	2NC 11 21 7 - 7 12 22	Positive break  Slow action, contacts 11-12, 21-22 open at the same time  Positive break  Slow action, contacts 11-12 open first, further actuator travel causes contacts 21-22 to open
B10 B15	2NO  13 23  14 24	Slow action, contacts 13-14, 23-24 close at the same time Slow action, contacts 13-14 close first, further actuator travel causes contacts 23-24 to close
B2 1	2NO+2NC 3 21 43 31 1 7 - 1 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	Snap action, double pole

# Plug and socket limit switches

All FR/FM/FZ/FX series limit switches can be converted to a plug-in style by the addition of an adaptor.



The adaptor is screwed into the limit switch and the four flying leads connected to the four terminals of the contact block.

Suitable 4-wire plug leads are available.

Ratings 250VAC/300VDC 3A IP67

# **Cable glands**

Cable glands are available to enable standard multi-core cables to be connected without the use of conduit.

Two sizes are possible:

Part number **VFPG13.5** Cable size ø9-12mm Part number **VFPG13.5/6** Cable size ø6-9mm

