



**THE DATASHEET OF  
K12PBK15N**



# K12 Series High Performance Key Switches

## Features/Benefits

- Excellent tactile feel
- Wide choice of LED colors, travel and actuator forces
- High reliability / long life
- Sealed version available
- Designed for low-level switching
- Double stroke version available
- Detector version available

## Typical Applications

- Automotive
- Off-road transportation
- Industrial electronics
- Computers & network equipment
- Joysticks



## Construction

FUNCTION: momentary  
 DISTANCE BETWEEN BUTTON CENTERS:  
 min. 11 (0.433) K12C = 13 (0.512)  
 TERMINALS: PC pins, tinned  
 MOUNTING: Locating pins; K12G and K12P additionally  
 with snap-in housing

## Mechanical

TOTAL TRAVEL: 1 mm, 1.5 mm, 2 mm  
 SWITCHING TRAVEL: 0.6 mm\*  
 OPERATING FORCE: 1.5 N OD without snap-point as detector  
 switch, 2.5 N, 3.5 N, 5 N, 3.5/7 N, 6/12 N. Additional  
 operating force 7N, 9N and 20N, available on request.  
 PROTECTION CLASS: K12C IP 67 (dust tight, protected against  
 the effects of immersion in water; other versions IP 40)

\* Additional switching travel (with pre-travel) available by request.

## Packaging

Bulk in boxes of 250 pieces (version C or GO) or  
 300 pieces (version A, AL, P or PL)

## Electrical

SWITCHING POWER MIN./MAX.: 0.02mW/3 W  
 SWITCHING VOLTAGE MIN./MAX.: 2 V DC / 30 V DC  
 SWITCHING CURRENT MIN./MAX.: 10 mA /100 mA  
 DIELECTRIC STRENGTH (50 Hz, 1 min): ≥ 500 V  
 OPERATING LIFE  
 For all K12 versions up to 6N with max. switching power: ≥ 10<sup>6</sup>  
 operations  
 For all K12/K12C versions from 7N to 20N with max. switching power:  
 please consult factory  
 For K12G & K12GO with max. switching power: ≥ 5 x 10<sup>4</sup> operations  
 CONTACT RESISTANCE: Initial ≤ 50 mΩ  
 INSULATION RESISTANCE: ≥ 10<sup>10</sup> Ω  
 BOUNCE TIME: ≤ 1 ms; Operating speed 100 mm/s (3.94/s)

## Environmental

OPERATING TEMPERATURE: -40°C to 85°C  
 STORAGE TEMPERATURE: -40°C to 95°C

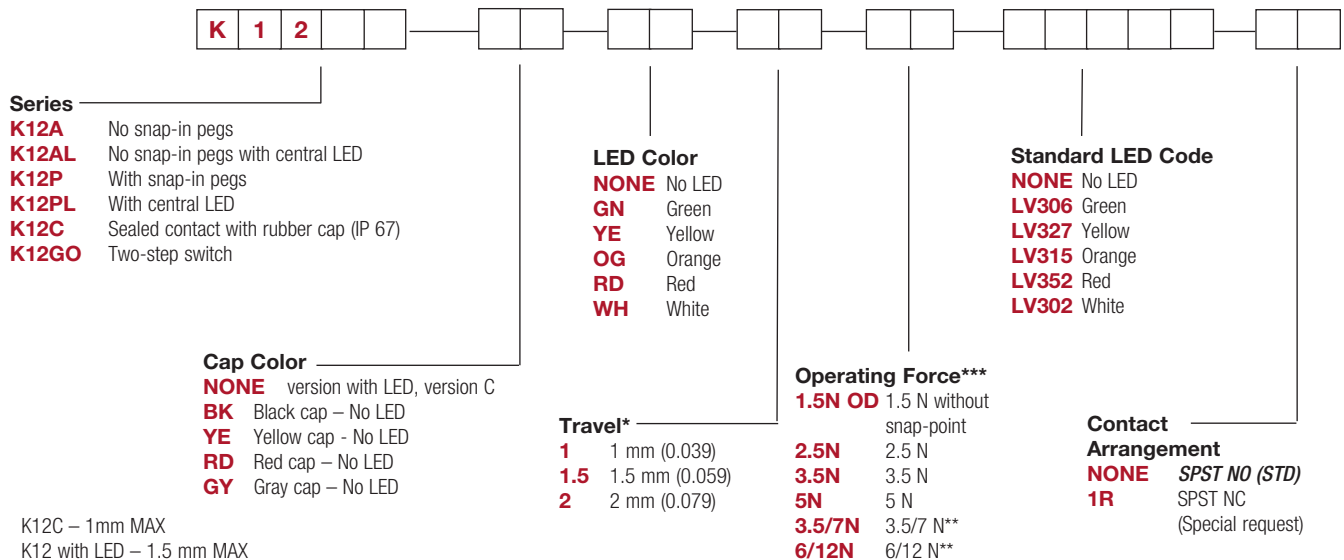
## Process

SOLDERABILITY: Wave soldering, compatible with lead free soldering  
 profile; Hand soldering, 350°C

## How To Order

Our easy build-a-switch concept allows you to mix and match options to create the switch you need. To order, select  
 desired option from each category and place it in the appropriate box.

Note: Some of the configurations may not be available or could require some development.



\* K12C – 1mm MAX

K12 with LED – 1.5 mm MAX

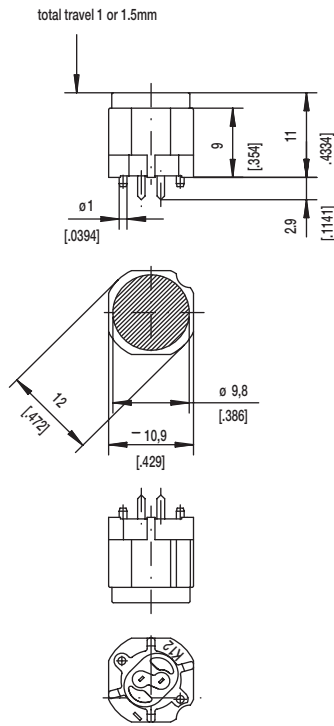
\*\* K12G & K12GO version only

\*\*\* Additional operating force: 7N, 9N available on request

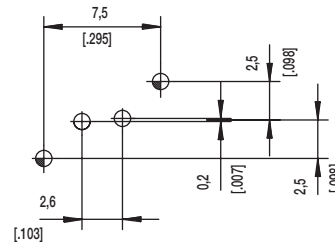
# K12 Series High Performance Key Switches

SERIES

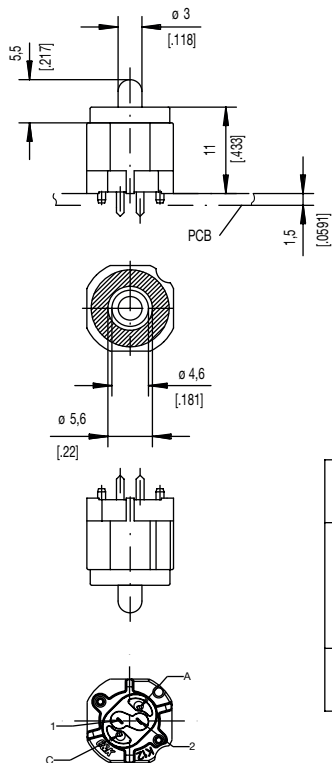
**K12A** without snap in



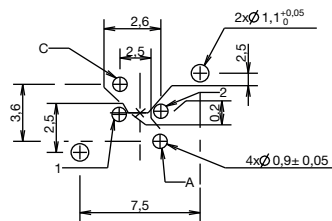
PCB LAYOUT, MOUNTING SIDE



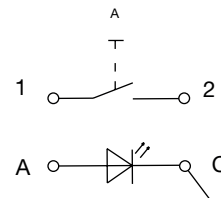
**K12AL**



PCB LAYOUT, MOUNTING SIDE



ELECTRICAL GRAPH



	1,1 <sup>+0,05</sup>	2x	2x	center hole		
	0,9 ±0,05		2x	LED	∅0,5 (.020)	Sn
		2x	2x	switch	0,7x0,2 (.028x.081)	Sn
Hole	∅	Without	with LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface

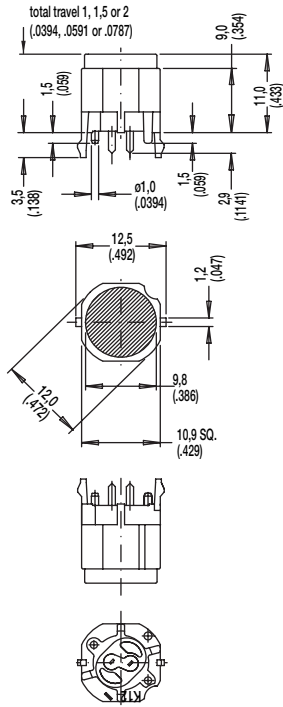


Key Switches

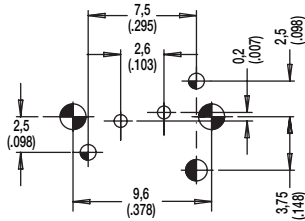
# K12 Series High Performance Key Switches

SERIES

## K12P with snap in

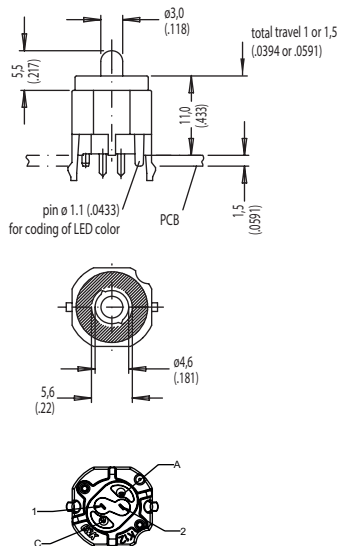


### PCB LAYOUT, MOUNTING SIDE

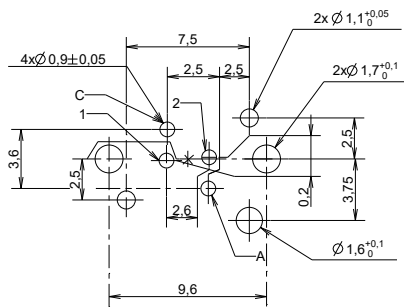


Hole	Ø	Without LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface
	1,7 (.069)	2x	snap-in		
	1,6 (.062)	1x	coding hole (L,M,N)		
	1,1 (.043)	2x	center hole		Sn
	0,9 (.035)	2x	switch	0.7 x 0.2 (.028 x .081)	Sn

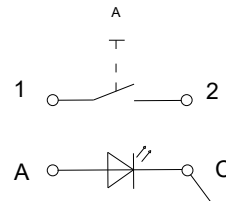
## K12PL



### PCB LAYOUT, MOUNTING SIDE



### ELECTRICAL GRAPH



Hole	Ø	Without LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface
	1,7 (.069)	2x	snap-in		
	1,6 (.062)	1x	coding hole (L,M,N)		
	1,1 (.043)	2x	center hole		Sn
	0,9 (.035)	2x	LED	m0.5 (.020)	Sn
	0,9 (.035)	2x	switch	0.7 x 0.2 (.028 x .081)	Sn



Dimensions are shown: mm  
Specifications and dimensions subject to change

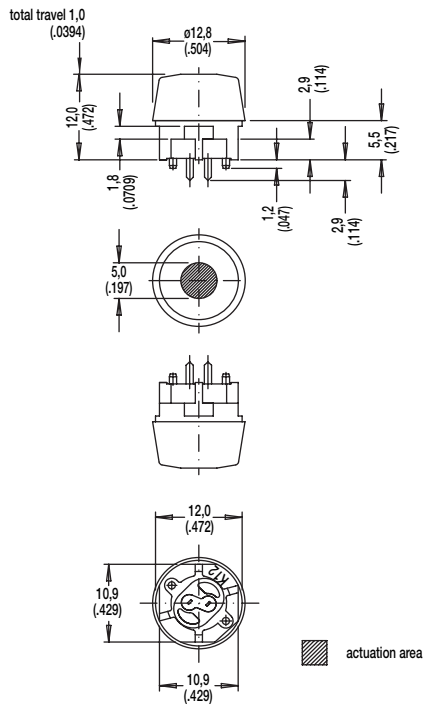


Key Switches

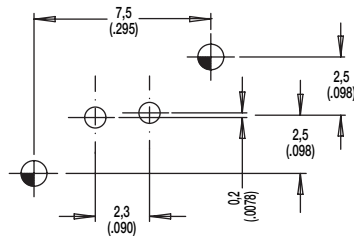
# K12 Series High Performance Key Switches

SERIES

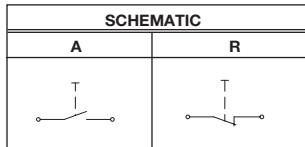
**K12C** SEALED CONTACT WITH RUBBER CAP (IP 67)



PCB LAYOUT, MOUNTING SIDE



actuation area



Hole	Ø	Without LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface
	1,1 (.043)	2x	center hole		
	0,9 (.035)	2x	switch	0.7 x 0.2(.0275 x .0787)	Sn



D

Key Switches



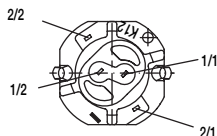
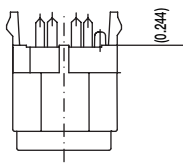
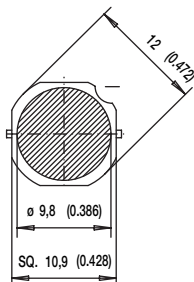
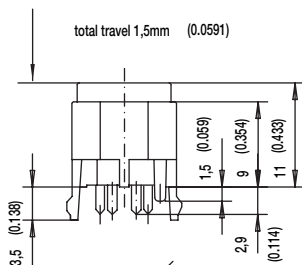
First Angle  
Projection

Dimensions are shown: mm  
Specifications and dimensions subject to change

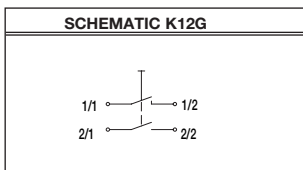
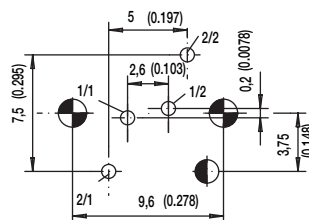
# K12 Series High Performance Key Switches

SERIES

## K12GO



### PCB LAYOUT, MOUNTING SIDE



Hole	Ø	Without LED	Description	Terminal Section	Surface
	1,7 (.069)	2x	snap-in		
	1,6 (.062)	1x	code		
	0,9 (.035)		LED	m0.5 (.020)	Sn
		2x	switch 2	0.7 x 0.3 (.028 x .012)	Sn
		2x	switch 1	0.7 x 0.2 (.028 x .081)	Sn



Dimensions are shown: mm  
Specifications and dimensions subject to change

# K12 Series High Performance Key Switches

## CAP COLOR

OPTION CODE	COLOR
<b>NONE</b>	Version with LED
<b>BK</b>	Black - no LED
<b>YE</b>	Yellow - no LED
<b>RD</b>	Red - no LED
<b>GY</b>	Gray - no LED

## LED COLOR

OPTION CODE	COLOR
<b>NONE</b>	Models without LED
<b>GN</b>	Green
<b>YE</b>	Yellow
<b>OG</b>	Orange
<b>RD</b>	Red
<b>WH</b>	White

STANDARD LED CODE	COLOR
<b>NONE</b>	Models without LED
<b>LV306</b>	Green
<b>LV327</b>	Yellow
<b>LV315</b>	Orange
<b>LV352</b>	Red
<b>LV302</b>	White

## TRAVEL

- 1** 1 mm
- 1.5** 1.5 mm
- 2** 2 mm

## OPERATING FORCE

OPTION CODE	OPERATING FORCE
<b>1.5N OD</b>	1.5 N, 150g without snap-point
<b>2.5N</b>	2.5 N, 250g
<b>3.5N</b>	3.5 N, 350g
<b>5N</b>	5 N, 500g
<b>3.5/7N</b>	3.5/7 N, 350/700g
<b>6/12N</b>	6/12 N, 600-1200g

## CONTACT ARRANGEMENT OPTION

**1R** SPST NC (SPECIAL REQUEST FOR NORMALLY CLOSED OPTION)



D

Key Switches





First Angle  
Projection

Dimensions are shown: mm  
Specifications and dimensions subject to change

## Looking for pricing, stock, or lifecycle information?

Click below to explore more details on WIN SOURCE:

-  [View K12PBK15N](#) on WIN SOURCE
-  [C&K Components](#) Information

## Optimize Your Supply Chain with WIN SOURCE Solutions

-  Global Sourcing Solution
-  Obsolete Management
-  Cost Control Management
-  Shortage Management
-  Alternative Solution
-  Excess Inventory Management