

# FSR® 400 Series Data Sheet

Force Sensing Resistors®

## Features and Benefits

- Actuation force as low as 0.2N and sensitivity range to 20N
- Cost effective
- Ultra thin
- Robust; up to 10M actuations
- Simple and easy to integrate

## Description

Interlink Electronics FSR 400 Series is part of the single zone Force Sensing Resistor family. Force Sensing Resistors, or FSR's, are robust polymer thick film (PTF) devices that exhibit a decrease in resistance with increase in force applied to the surface of the sensor. This force sensitivity is optimized for use in human touch control of electronics devices such as automotive electronics, medical systems, industrial and robotics applications.

The FSR 400 Series sensors come in six different models with four different connecting options. A battery operated demo is available. Call us for more information at +1 805-484-8855



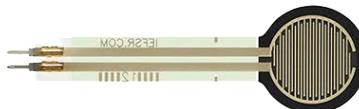
FSR® 400 Short  
5mm Circle x 20mm



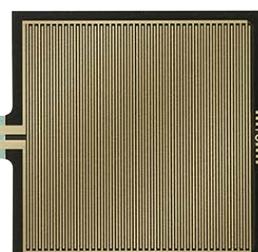
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5mm Circle x 38mm



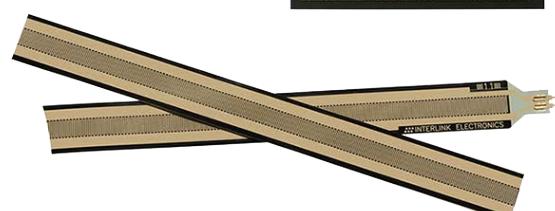
FSR® 402 Short  
13mm Circle x 25mm



FSR® 402  
13mm Circle x 56mm



FSR® 406  
38mm Square x 83mm



FSR® 408  
10mm Square x 622mm strip



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## Device Characteristics

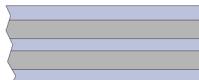
Actuation Force*	~0.2N min
Force Sensitivity Range*	~0.2N – 20N
Force Resolution	Continuous (analog)
Force Repeatability Single Part	+/- 2%
Force Repeatability Part to Part	+/- 6% (Single Batch)
Non-Actuated Resistance	>10 Mohms
Hysteresis	+10% Average (RF+ - RF-)/RF+
Device Rise Time	< 3 Microseconds
Long Term Drift 1kg load, 35 days	< 5% log10(time)
Operating Temperature Performance Cold: -40°C after 1 hour Hot: +85°C after 1 hour Hot Humid: +85°C 95RH after 1 hour	-5% average resistance change -15% average resistance change +10% average resistance change
Storage Temperature Performance Cold: -25°C after 120 hours Hot: +85°C after 120 hours Hot Humid: +85°C 95RH after 240 hours	-10% average resistance change -%5 average resistance change +30% average resistance change
Tap Durability Tested to 10 Million actuations, 1kg, 4Hz	-10% average resistance change
Standing Load Durability 2.5kg for 24 hours	-5% average resistance change
EMI	Generates no EMI
ESD	Not ESD Sensitive
UL	All materials UL grade 94 V-1 or better
RoHS	Compliant

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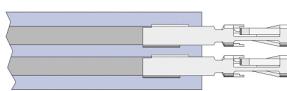
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## Connector Information

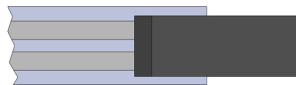
Bare Tail



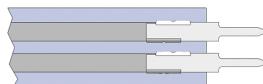
Female Tin Contacts  
PN: TE 2-487406-4



Female Tin Contacts with 2 Pin Housing  
PN: TE 2-487406-4  
PN: TE 487378-1



Solder Tabs  
PN: TE 1-88997-2



**Other Available Part Numbers:**  
Hardware Development Kit, PN 54-76247

## Application Information

For specific application needs please contact Interlink Electronics support team. An Integration Guide and Hardware Development Kit (HDK) are also available. FSR's are two-wire devices with a resistance that depends on applied force. Below is a force vs. resistance graph that illustrates a typical FSR response characteristic. Please note that the graph values are reference only and actual values are dependent upon actuation system mechanics and sensor geometry.

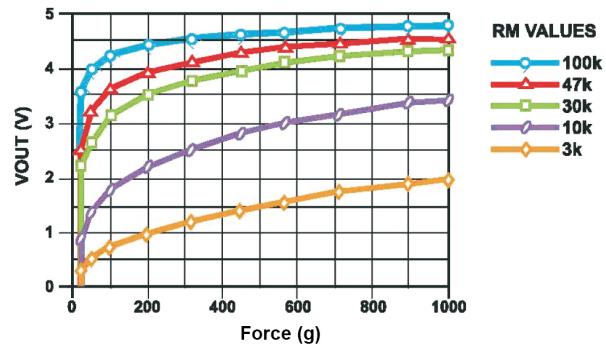
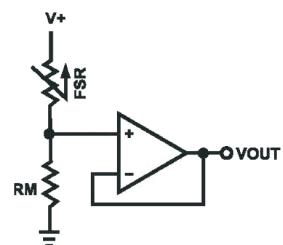
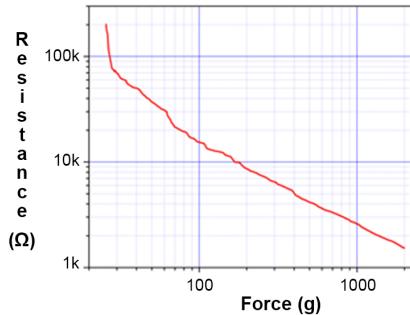
For simple force-to-voltage conversion, the FSR device is tied to a measuring resistor in a voltage divider (see figure below) and the output is described by the following equation.

$$V_{OUT} = \frac{R_M V_+}{(R_M + R_{FSR})}$$

In the shown configuration, the output voltage increases with increasing force. If RFSR and RM are swapped, the output swing will decrease with increasing force. The measuring resistor, RM, is chose to maximize the desired force sensitivity range and to limit current. Depending on the impedance requirements of the measuring circuit, the voltage divider could be followed by an op-amp.

A family of force vs. VOUT curves is shown on the graph below for a standard FSR in a voltage divider configuration with various RM resistors. A V+ of 5V was used for these examples. Please note that the graph values are for reference only and will vary between different sensors and applications.

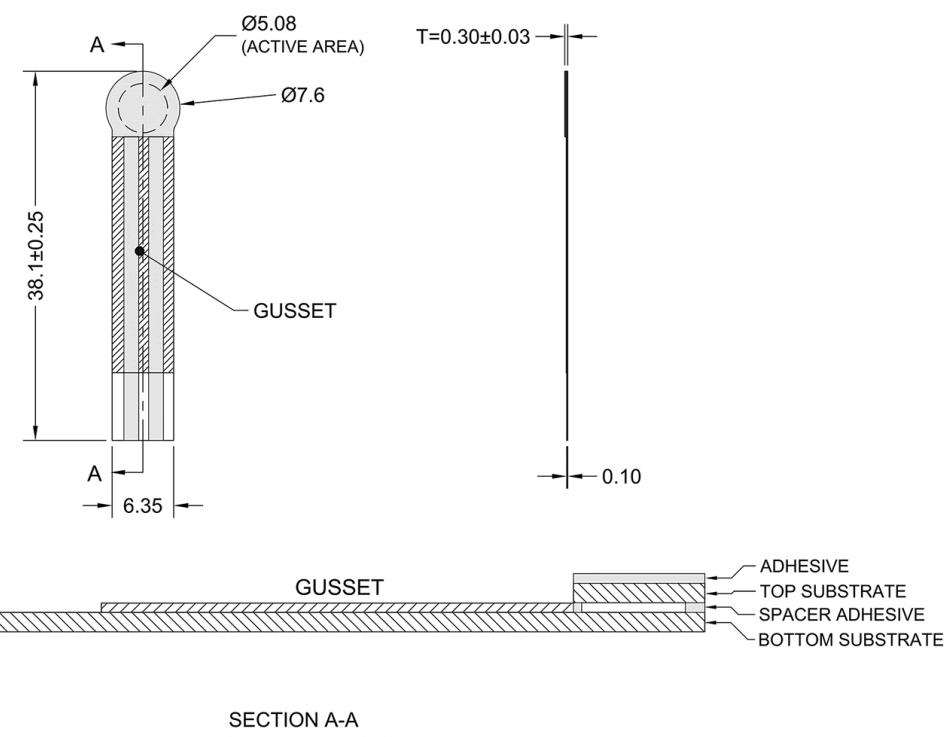
Refer to the FSR Integration Guide for more integration methods and techniques.



## Model 400:

Active Area: Ø5.08mm  
Nominal Thickness: 0.30mm  
Switch Travel: 0.05mm

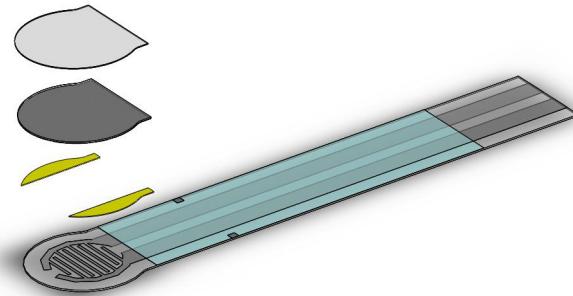
## Sensor Mechanical Data



## Available Part Numbers:

- PN: 34-00007 Model 400
  - No contacts or solder tabs
- PN: 34-00011 Model 400
  - with female contacts
- PN: 34-44001 Model 400
  - with female contacts and housing
- PN: 30-49649 Model 400
  - with solder tabs

## Exploded View



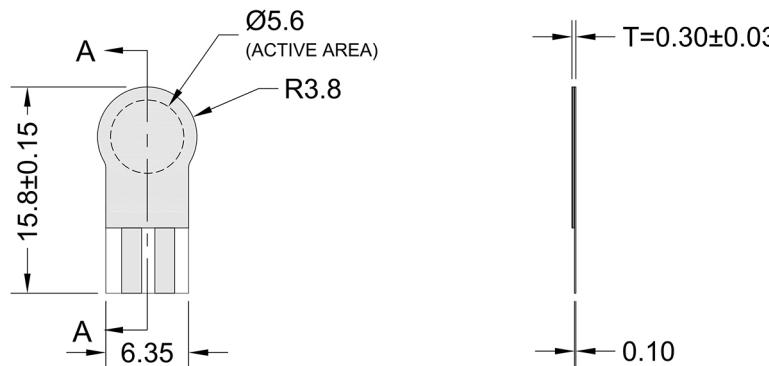
# FSR® Model 400 Short Tail

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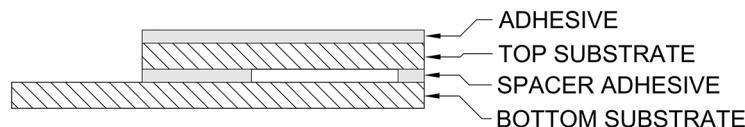
Active Area: Ø5.62mm  
Nominal Thickness: 0.30mm  
Switch Travel: 0.05mm

## Sensor Mechanical Data



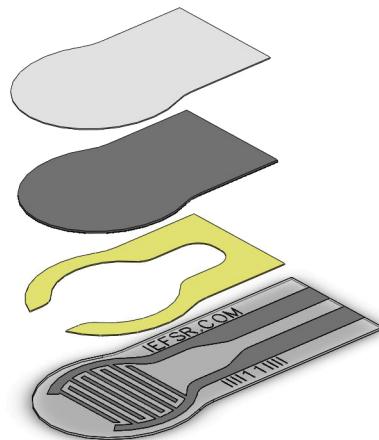
## Available Part Numbers:

- PN: 34-47021 Model 400 Short Tail
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- PN: 34-00005 Model 400 Short Tail
  - with female contacts
- PN: 34-00006 Model 400 Short Tail
  - with female contacts and housing
- PN: 34-00004 Model 400 Short Tail
  - with solder tabs



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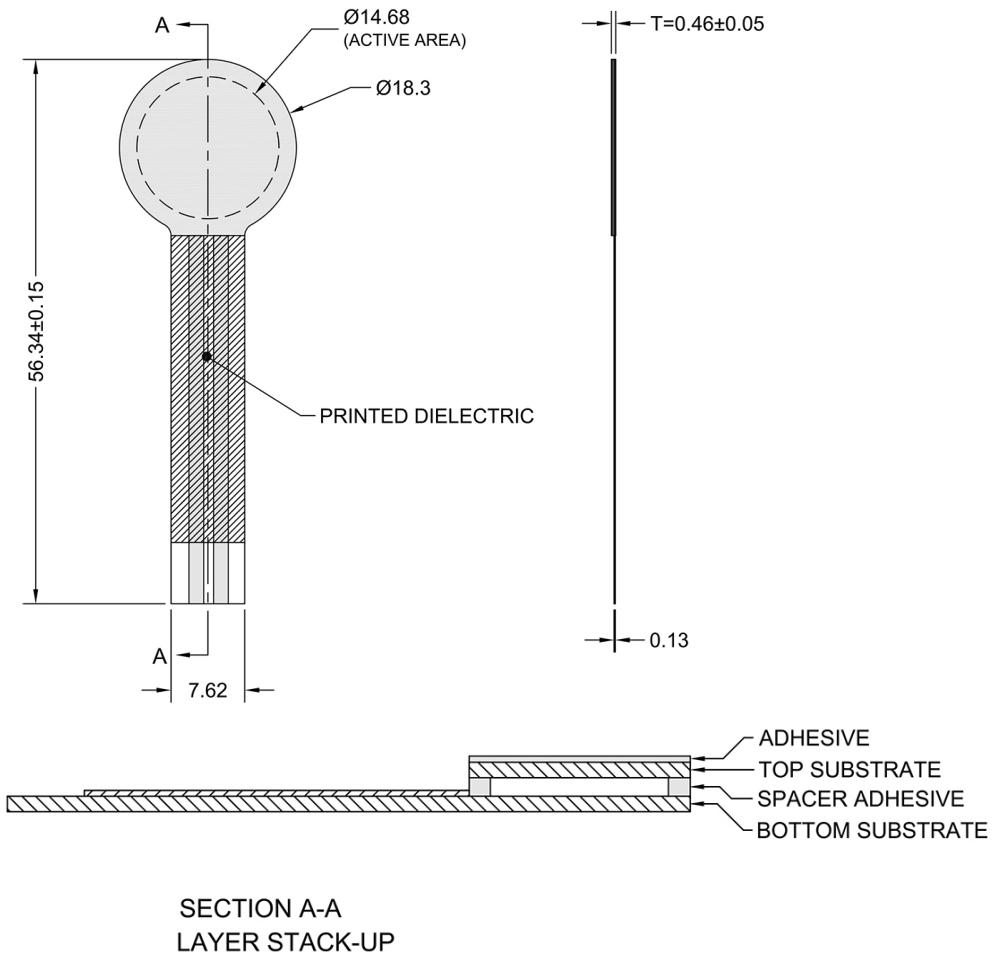
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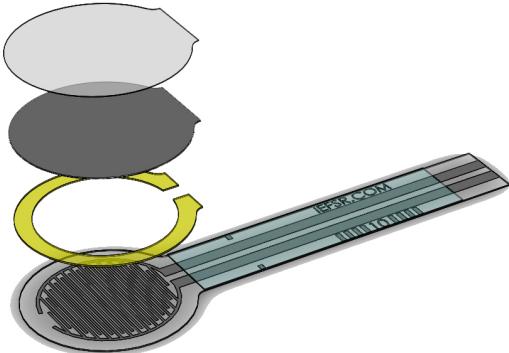
## Model 402:

Active Area: Ø14.68mm  
Nominal Thickness: 0.46mm  
Switch Travel: 0.15mm

## Sensor Mechanical Data



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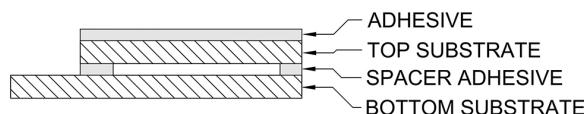
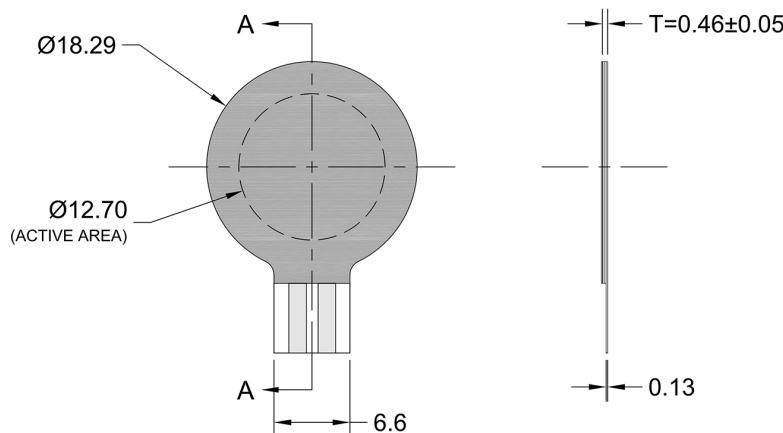
## Model 402 Short Tail:

Active Area: Ø12.70mm  
Nominal Thickness: 0.46mm  
Switch Travel: 0.15mm

## Available Part Numbers:

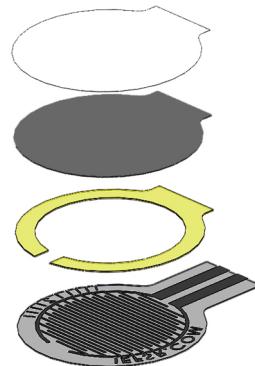
- PN: 34-00016 Model 402 Short Tail
  - No contacts or solder tabs
- PN: 34-00017 Model 402 Short Tail
  - with female contacts
- PN: 34-00018 Model 402 Short Tail
  - with female contacts and housing
- PN: 34-00015 Model 402 Short Tail
  - with solder tabs

## Sensor Mechanical Data



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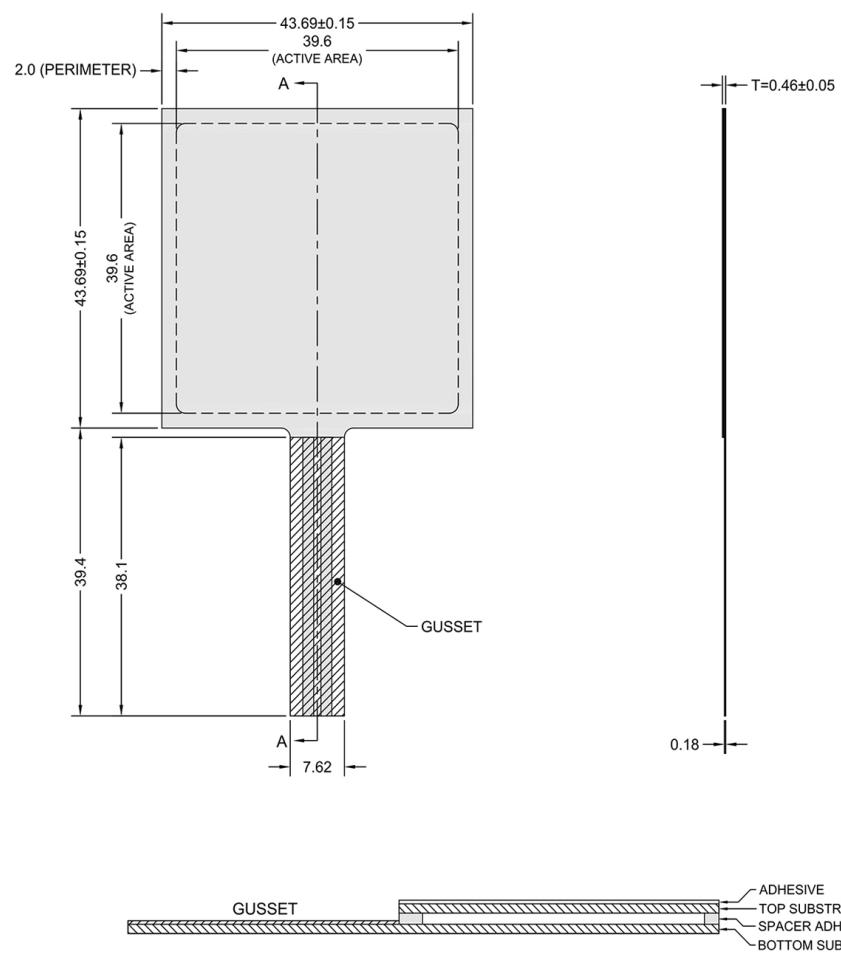
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## Model 406:

Active Area: 39.6mm x 39.6mm  
 Nominal Thickness: 0.46mm  
 Switch Travel: 0.15mm

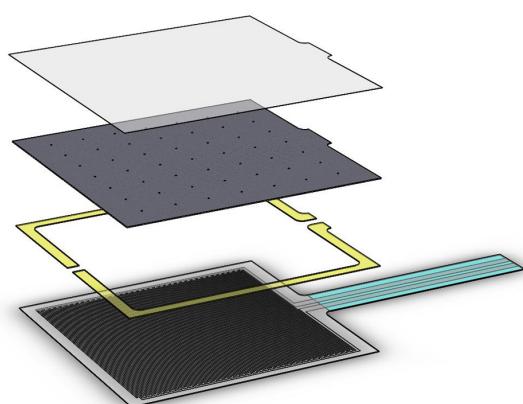
## Sensor Mechanical Data



## Available Part Numbers:

- PN: 34-00009 Model 406
  - No contacts or solder tabs
- PN: 34-00013 Model 406
  - with female contacts
- PN: 34-61152 Model 406
  - with female contacts and housing
- PN: 30-73258 Model 406
  - with solder tabs

## Exploded View



# FSR® Model 408

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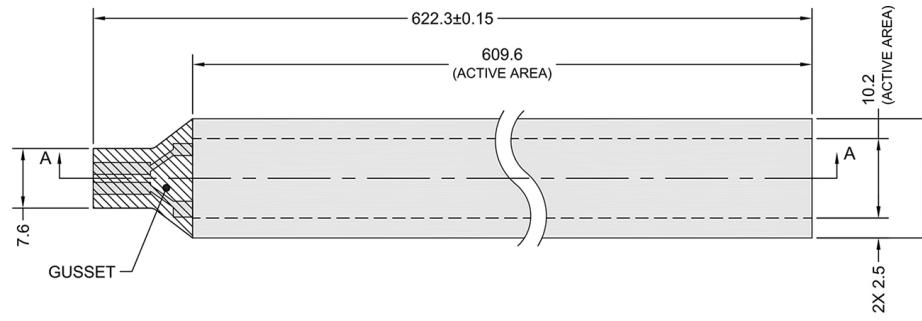
## Model 408:

Active Area: 609.6mm x 10.2mm

Nominal Thickness: 0.41mm

Switch Travel: 0.15mm

## Sensor Mechanical Data



## Available Part Numbers:

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- No contacts or solder tabs

PN: 34-75319 Model 408

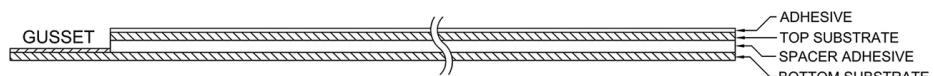
- with female contacts

PN: 34-23845 Model 408

- with female contacts and housing

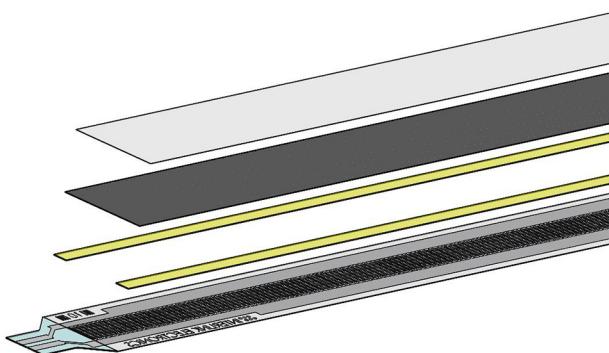
PN: 30-61710 Model 408

- with solder tabs



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