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THERMOCOUPLES-RTD SENSORS-THERMOWELLS-EXTENSION CABLES-LIQUID LEVEL SWITCHES

Thermocouple Cold Junction Compensation Common mistakes

No.	Type K	Problem	Symptom
1	Туре К	normal	Reads accurately
2	Туре К	Short in ceramic block/pot	Reads EMF in lead wires ie temperature of block - this gives a wrong signal to the controller for more heat
3	Туре К	Copper wires	No EMF generated in lead wires, reads uncompensated temperature at block/pot temperature will change with changes in ambient.
4	Туре К	Reverse polarity	Reads negative temperature, instrument is showing open circuit this is because the temperature generated is below the range of the instrument, instrument will read a negative value when the temperature is within the range of the instrument.
5	Туре К	Double reverse polarity	Thermocouple is correct, the wires from the thermocouple are reversed, the wires to the instrument are also reversed resulting in a lower than normal reading.
6	Туре К	Short circuit instrument	Instrument reads ambient

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