

# 20 and 25 Series Temperature SWICHGAGE®

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20T Series  
shown

## 2 and 2-1/2 in. (51 and 64 mm) Dial

- Combination Indicating Gage and Limit Switch
- Critical/High Temperature Limit Switch Is Visible and Adjustable (Most Models)
- Switch Can Activate Alarms and/or Shut Down Equipment
- Contact Grounds Through Case



### Description

The 20 Series (2 inch/51 mm dial) and the 25 Series (2-1/2 inch/64 mm dial) SWICHGAGE® models are diaphragm-actuated, temperature-indicating gages, with built-in electrical switches for tripping alarms and/or shutdown devices.

Ranges are available from 32-120°F (0-45°C) thru 300-440°F (160-220°C).

The gage mechanism is enclosed in a steel case coated to resist corrosion. A polycarbonate, break-resistant lens and a polished, stainless steel bezel help protect this rugged, built-to-last instrument.

These vapor actuated gages feature a sealed capillary tube and a sensing bulb. When subjected to heat, the liquid in the sensing bulb changes to vapor creating pressure against the diaphragm mechanism. The diaphragm translates this vapor pressure into a mechanical gage reading.

For series 20T and 25T, the gage pointer acts as a temperature indicator and as one switch pole which completes a circuit when it touches the adjustable limit contact. Contact(s) are grounded through the SWICHGAGE® case. They have self-cleaning motion to enhance electrical continuity.

Models 20TE and 25TE have internal snap-acting SPDT switches.

Gage-only models, without contacts (MURPHYGAGE®) are also available.

### Applications

Industrial engines and equipment in Oil Field, Marine, Irrigation, Construction and Trucking industries. Monitoring Engine Coolant, Crankcase Oil, Transmission Oil.

### Specifications

**Dial:** White on black; U.S.A. standard scale is dual scale °F/°C; others available (see How to Order).

**Case:** Plated steel; mounting clamp included (except for direct mounting models).

**Bezel:** Polished stainless steel, standard; others are available (see How to Order).

**Pointer:** Tempered nickel silver.

**Lens:** Polycarbonate, high-impact.

**Sensing Element:** Beryllium copper diaphragm.

**Capillary:** PVC armored copper; 4 ft. (1.2 m)\*  
Stainless steel armor optional.

**Sensing Bulb:** Copper\*

**Gage Accuracy:** See accuracy chart, on page 2.

**Maximum Temperature:** See Temperature Ranges and Factory Settings table on page 2.

**Adjustable Limit Contact (20T and 25T):**

SPST contact; pilot duty only, 2 A @  
30 VAC/VDC; Ground path through encasement.  
Normally Closed (NC) when the high limit is met.  
Normally Open (NO) when pointer is in normal operating range. Contacts are gold flashed silver.

Limit Contact Adjustment: *by a 1/16 in. hex wrench thru 100% of the scale.*

Limit Contact Wire Leads: 18 AWG (1.0 mm<sup>2</sup>) x  
12 in. (305 mm).

**Snap-Switch Rating (20TE and 25TE):**

SPDT, 3 A @ 30 VDC inductive; 4 A @  
125 VAC inductive.

Snap-Switch Wire Leads: 20 AWG (0.75 mm<sup>2</sup>) x  
12 in. (305 mm).

**Unit Weight:** 20 Series: 12.7 oz. (0.39 kg).

25 Series Models: 13.8 oz. (0.43 kg).

**Unit Dimensions:** 20 Series: 4-3/4 x 4-3/4 x 2-3/4 in.  
(121 x 121 x 70 mm). 25 Series Models: 4-3/4 x  
4-3/4 x 3 in. (121 x 121 x 76 mm).

### Base Models

#### Coolant or Oil Temperature

##### 20T and 25T Series SWICHGAGE®

For these models the gage pointer makes with an adjustable contact to complete a pilot-duty circuit.

#### 20TL and 25TL SWICHGAGE®

For use on Ford Worldwide engines. Supplied with special sensing bulb.

#### 20TO SWICHGAGE®

Same as 20T with a special dial for Oil Temperature.

#### 20TE and 25TE SWICHGAGE®

20TE (was 20ESR) and 25TE (was 25ESR). Models with internal SPDT snap-switches, instead of the single pole/pointer contact(s). When the switch closes on rising temperature, it becomes Set. As temperature decreases the switch Resets.

#### 20TABS and 25TABS SWICHGAGE®

Same as 20/25T with internal SPDT snap-switch for pre-alarm.

### Cylinder Head Temperature

#### 20TH and 25TH SWICHGAGE®

20TH (was 20TL8133) and 25TH (was 25TL8133). For use on Air Cooled engines.

### Direct Mount Models

#### 20TD SWICHGAGE®

Same as 20T. Available ranges: 220°F (104°C) or 250°F (121°C). Includes 1/4 x 4 in. (6 x 102 mm) sensing bulb.

#### 20SD SWICHGAGE®

Same as 20T. Available ranges: 220°F (104°C) or 250°F (121°C). Includes 11/32 x 1-1/2 in. (9 x 38 mm) sensing bulb.

### Gage-Only Models

#### 20TG and 25TG MURPHYGAGE®

Gages without contact(s).

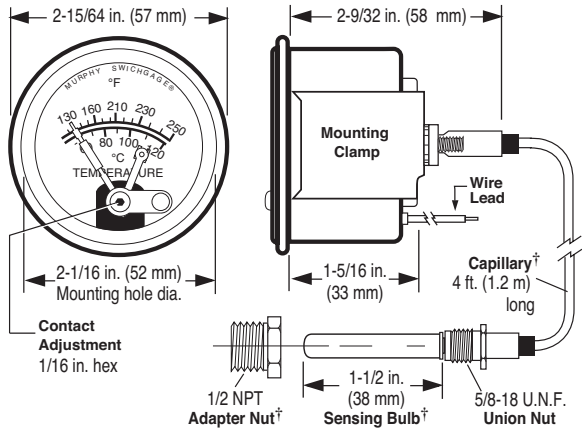
\* For optional capillary lengths, engine adaptors, sensing bulbs and range combinations, see Murphy bulletin T-8428B.

\*\* Products cover by this bulletin comply with EMC Council directive 89/336/EEC regarding electromagnetic compatibility as noted.

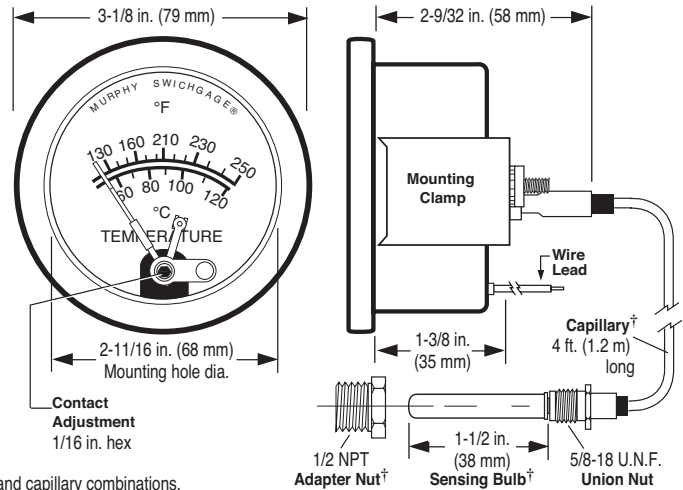


## Dimensions

### 20 Series Models (typical)



### 25 Series Models (typical)



†Standard combinations. See Murphy bulletin T-8428B for optional sensing bulb, engine adaptors and capillary combinations.

## Temperature Ranges and Factory Settings

### NOTES

- Values in ( ) are mathematical conversions from °F to °C—they do not reflect actual second scale range. U.S.A. standard scale is °F/°C.
- For models 20TE and 25TE; the switch trip point cannot be set at either the low or high extreme of the scale. The trip point must allow for the reset differential.
- For adjustable switch models, the trip point is adjustable **only** over the upper half of the scale.

Ranges Available			Max. Temp.	Std. Settings*			Hi/Lo Settings		20TABS and 25TABS Settings			
Dual Scale Dial °Fahrenheit (°Celsius)	Single Scale °Celsius only	°F (°C)		°F (°C)	°C only	Low °F (°C)	High °F (°C)	Alarm**		Shutdown		
32 – 120 (0 – 49)	—	185 (85)	110 (43)	—	32 (0)	110 (43)	100 (38)	—	110 (43)	—		
32 – 160 (0 – 71)	0 – 70	215 (102)	150 (66)	66	32 (0)	150 (66)	140 (60)	60	150 (66)	66		
130 – 220 (54 – 104)	45 – 100	260 (127)	210 (99)	85	160 (71)	210 (99)	200 (93)	80	210 (99)	85		
130 – 250 (54 – 121)	50 – 120	310 (154)	210 (99)	97	160 (71)	210 (99)	200 (93)	95	210 (99)	100		
140 – 300 (60 – 149)	60 – 140	340 (172)	275 (135)	130	200 (93)	275 (135)	265 (129)	125	275 (135)	130		
160 – 320 (71 – 160)	70 – 160	370 (192)	300 (149)	150	200 (93)	300 (149)	290 (143)	145	300 (149)	150		
180 – 350 (82 – 177)	—	400 (209)	330 (166)	—	240 (116)	330 (166)	320 (160)	—	330 (166)	—		
300 – 440 (149 – 227)	—	500 (260)	400 (204)	—	300 (149)	400 (204)	390 (199)	—	400 (204)	—		

\* Standard setting for 20T, 25T, 20TE and 25TE models.

\*\* SPDT snap-switch is the alarm switch.

## Temperature Accuracy Chart

Temperature Range	Lower 1/3 of Scale	Middle 1/3 of Scale	Upper 1/3 of Scale
32 to 120°F (0 to 49°C)	± 12°F (± 6°C)	± 5°F (± 2.4°C)	± 6°F (± 3°C)
32 to 160°F (0 to 71°C)	± 20°F (± 10°C)	± 8°F (± 4.4°C)	± 7°F (± 4°C)
130 to 220°F (54 to 104°C)	± 6°F (± 3°C)	± 3°F (± 1.6°C)	± 4°F (± 2°C)
130 to 250°F (54 to 121°C)	± 9°F (± 5°C)	± 5°F (± 2.4°C)	± 4°F (± 2°C)
140 to 300°F (60 to 149°C)	± 10°F (± 5.2°C)	± 6°F (± 3°C)	± 5°F (± 2.4°C)
160 to 320°F (71 to 160°C)	± 10°F (± 5.2°C)	± 5°F (± 2.4°C)	± 5°F (± 2.4°C)
180 to 350°F (82 to 177°C)	± 12°F (± 6°C)	± 5°F (± 2.4°C)	± 5°F (± 2.4°C)
300 to 440°F (149 to 227°C)	± 9°F (± 5°C)	± 5°F (± 2.4°C)	± 4°F (± 2°C)

## Maximum Temperature

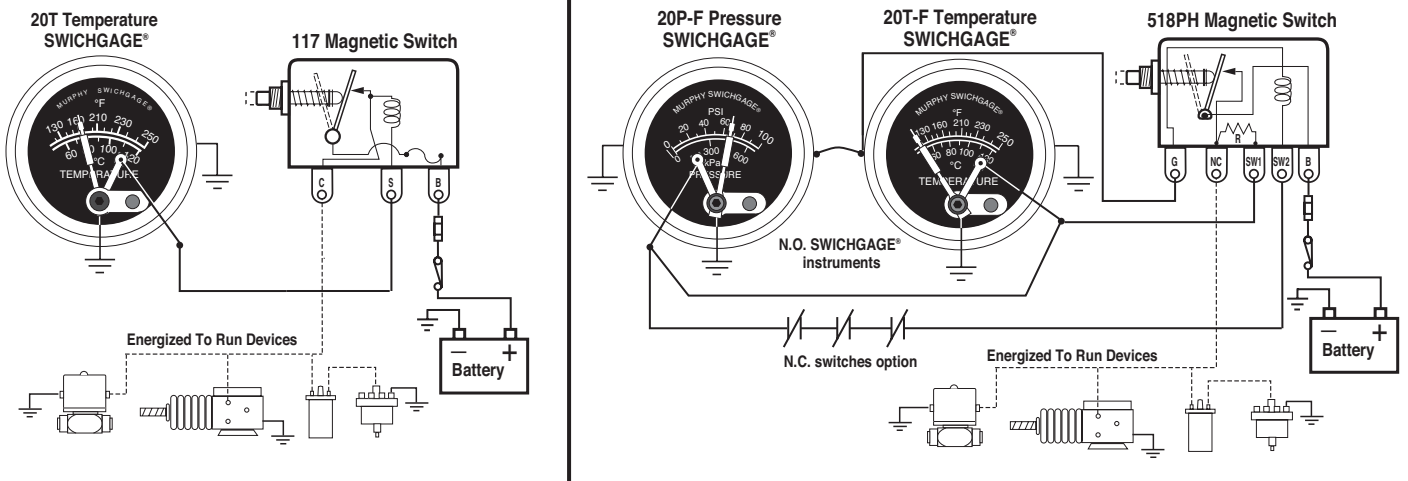
**MAXIMUM AMBIENT TEMPERATURE:** -40° (-40°) thru 150° (66°)

RANGE	MAXIMUM PROCESS TEMPERATURE
≤250° (120°)	120% OF FULL SCALE
300° (140°)	350° (198°)
≥320° (160°)	120% OF FULL SCALE

## Magnetic Switch

**INDUCTIVE AND HIGH CURRENT LOADS REQUIRE THE USE OF A MAGNETIC SWITCH.** The SWICHGAGE® contacts are for light-duty electrical switching to operate alarms or control devices. Murphy manufactures the Magnetic Switch for protection of the light-duty SWICHGAGE® limit contacts.

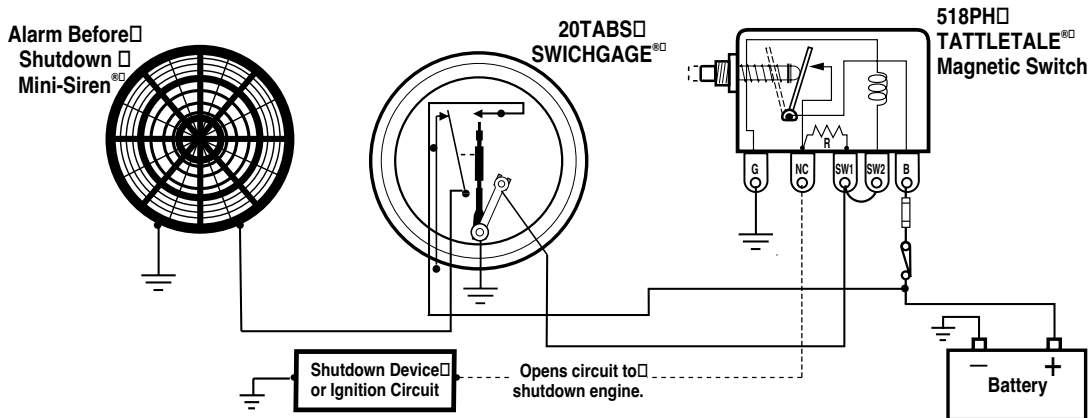
TATTLETALE® Magnetic Switches show the cause of shutdown for applications that include: capacitor discharge or magneto ignitions, battery systems and electric motor driven equipment. Typical wiring diagrams are shown below.



## Pre-Alarm Using 20/25TABS

The 20TABS and 25TABS feature a standard limit contact for high temperature equipment shutdown. It also has an internal SPDT snap-switch to signal an alarm before shutting down. When the low side of the snap-switch trips (preset point), on rising temperature, the switch completes a circuit to activate an alarm. If the temperature continues to increase, the face-adjustable pointer contact will

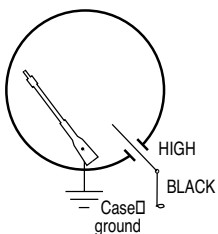
make and the shutdown circuit will be completed (see the typical diagram below for reference). The front contact shutdown limit setting (which is adjustable) and the snap-switch are preset at the factory. Refer to "Temperature Ranges and Factory Settings" table on opposite page for settings. For alternative alarm before shutdown, see Magnetic Switch model 760A or 761APH.



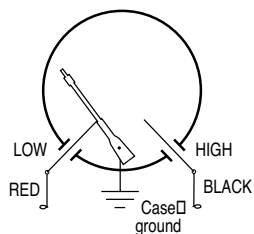
## Typical Internal Wiring Diagrams

Pointer shown in the shelf position. Pointer type contact rating: pilot duty 2 A @ 30 VAC/VDC.  
Snap-acting switch rating: 3 A @ 30 VDC inductive. 4 A @ 125 VAC inductive.

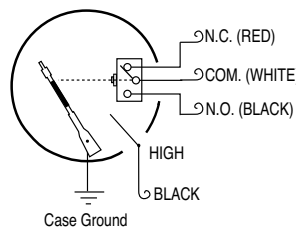
### Pointer Type Contact



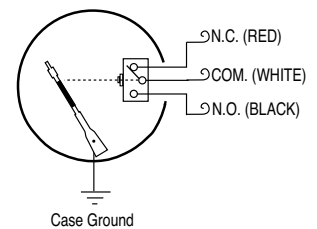
### "HL" Hi-Lo Option



### ABS Models



### TE Models



## How to Order

To order, use the diagram below. List options in ascending alphabetical order (A-Z). Example: **20T-IP1-250-4.**

<b>Base Model</b>		
20T	20TH	25TL
20TL	20TD	25TE
20TO	20SD	25TABS
20TE	20TG	25TH
20TABS	25T	25TG
20TB		

<b>Options<sup>†</sup></b>
<b>A</b> = AGF (Argon filled)
<b>B1</b> = Black bezel
<b>B2</b> = Bezel 05051857 (was "HP")
<b>B3</b> = Bezel 05051836 (was "HBB")
<b>EX</b> = EX proof (explosion proofed)
<b>EL</b> = EX less case (explosion proofed less case)
<b>F</b> = "FS" contact (includes "ES" as appropriate)
<b>HL</b> = High and low contacts
<b>I</b> = Illumination (for options, see chart below)
<b>IP1</b> = Light pipe illumination, 12 VDC
<b>IP2</b> = Light pipe illumination, 24 VDC
<b>K</b> = Knob adjusting face contact
<b>OS</b> = Oil sealed (Silicone Oil)
<b>UA</b> = Temperature bulb style A (10050166)*
<b>UB</b> = Temperature bulb style B (10010061)*
<b>UC</b> = Temperature bulb style C (10010060)*
<b>UD</b> = Temperature bulb style D (10000286)*
<b>UE</b> = Temperature bulb style E (10010084)*
<b>UF</b> = Temperature bulb style F (10000577)*
<b>UG</b> = Temperature bulb style G (10000578)*
<b>UH</b> = Temperature bulb style H (10002466)*
<b>UK</b> = Temperature bulb style K (10054886)*

<sup>†</sup> Options not available on all models or configurations.  
<sup>\*</sup> Specify optional bulb ONLY when not included as standard for temperature **Base Model**, scale/range or capillary length.

<b>Illumination Options</b>		
	<b>IP1 / IP2</b>	<b>I</b>
<b>20 Series</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>x<sup>1</sup></b>
<b>25 Series</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>

<sup>1</sup>Can be used with standard Clamp Lite Assembly (12 V= 05702176; 24 V= 05702177).

<b>Adapter Nuts<sup>†††</sup></b>	
<b>1/8</b> = 1/8-27 NPT	<b>Metric</b> <b>M10</b> = 10 mm x 1.5 <b>M12</b> = 12 mm x 1.5 <b>M14</b> = 14 mm x 1.5 <b>M16</b> = 16 mm x 1.5 <b>M18</b> = 18 mm x 1.5 <b>M20</b> = 20 mm x 1.5 <b>M22</b> = 22 mm x 1.5 <b>M24</b> = 24 mm x 1.5
<b>1/4</b> = 1/4-18 NPT	
<b>3/8</b> = 3/8-18 NPT	
<b>3/8B</b> = 3/8-19 BSPT	
<b>3/8K</b> = 3/8 NPSF	
<b>-</b> = 1/2-14 NPT <sup>††††</sup>	
<b>1/2B</b> = 1/2-BSPT	
<b>1/2K</b> = 1/2 NPSF	
<b>5/8</b> = 5/8-18 UNF	
<b>3/4</b> = 3/4-14 NPT	
<b>3/4U</b> = 3/4-16 UNF	
<b>7/8</b> = 7/8-9 UNC	

<sup>†††</sup>Specific adapter nut must match the sensing bulb.  
<sup>††††</sup>Standard.

<b>Temperature Capillary Armor Type and Length</b>
<b>Capillary Armor Type</b> <b>Blank</b> = PVC armor, copper capillary <b>S</b> = Stainless steel armor, copper capillary
<b>Capillary Length (specify after capillary type; example: "S4")</b> <b>4</b> = 4 ft. (1.2 m) <b>Specify other length</b> = Available in 2 ft. increments thru 20 ft.; 5 ft. increments above 20 ft. (0.5 metres increments from 1.5–10 metres; 2 metre increments thru 34 metres. <b>Specify "M" following length, i.e. 1.5M.</b> )

<b>Range<sup>††</sup></b>		
<b>Dual scale (°F/°C)</b>	<b>Single scale (°C)</b>	
	<b>°F</b>	<b>°C</b>
<b>120</b>	32-120	0-49
<b>160</b>	32-160	0-71
<b>220</b>	130-220	54-104
<b>250</b>	130-250	60-121
<b>300</b>	140-300	60-149
<b>320</b>	160-320	71-160
<b>350</b>	180-350	82-177
<b>440</b>	300-440	149-227

<sup>††</sup>Consult factory for availability of dials other than °F/°C. Select scale so your normal operating temperature is in the upper half of the scale.

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