

The data should be read in conjunction with the Power Triode Preamble.

ABRIDGED DATA

Two RF power triodes of coaxial ceramic/metal construction, intended primarily for industrial service. They are electrically identical and differ only in the method of anode cooling and anode dissipation.

Anode cooling:

BR1617F	forced-air
BW1617J2F	water; integral jacket

Anode dissipation:

BR1617F	10	kW max
BW1617J2F	15	kW max
Anode voltage	10	kV max
Frequency for full ratings	30	MHz max
Output power (class C unmodulated)	38	kW

GENERAL

Electrical

Filament	thoriated tungsten
Filament voltage (see note 1)	6.3 V
Filament current	160 A
Filament cold resistance	5.3 mΩ
Peak usable cathode current	30 A
Perveance	4.5 mA/V ^{3/2}
Amplification factor	
(V _a = 2.25 kV, I _a = 1.0 A)	23
Mutual conductance	
(V _a = 2.25 kV, I _a = 1.0 A)	40 mA/V
Inter-electrode capacitances:	
grid to anode	36 pF
grid to filament	78 pF
anode to filament	2.0 pF

Mechanical

Overall dimensions	see outline drawings
Net weight:	
BR1617F	4.3 kg approx
BW1617J2F	3.3 kg approx
Mounting position	vertical, either way up

Accessories

Water coupling, supplied with BW1617J2F	MA870
Thermal fuses, available for BW1617J2F	MA85E
Cathode connector	MA830

For frequencies above 2 MHz, MA830 should be used in conjunction with a strip connection to provide a low inductance cathode return.

COOLING

Anode

The BR1617F air cooling requirements are shown on page 5. The required air flow should be delivered through the radiator immediately before and during the application of any voltages. Filament power, anode power and air flow may be removed simultaneously.

BW1617J2F has an integral water jacket. Minimum water cooling requirements are shown on page 4; higher rates of flow should be used where possible. The water pressure in the jacket must not exceed 6 bar.

A thermal fuse, part number MA85E (melting point 103 °C), is available for BW1617J2F to give protection against anode overheating. Two fuses should be used for maximum protection, screwed into the holes indicated on the anode mounting plate (see page 7). The fuses should be connected by a non-conducting cord to a suitable switching device; a tension of about 450 g should be applied to the fuses via the cord. If the temperature exceeds the safe limit, one or both fuses will release and the fuse cord is pulled outwards; this should actuate the switching device and remove all electrical supplies to the tube. Replacement fuses can be supplied to order.

Filament and Grid Seals

The temperature of the filament and grid seals must not exceed 200 °C. A flow of air of 0.42 m³/min directed onto the terminals via a 25 mm diameter nozzle from a distance of 150 mm before and during the application of any voltages is usually adequate for limiting the temperature of the seals.

RADIO FREQUENCY OSCILLATOR FOR INDUSTRIAL SERVICE

(Class C conditions, one tube)

MAXIMUM RATINGS (Absolute values)

Anode voltage	10	kV max
Anode current	6.0	A max
Anode dissipation:		
BR1617F	10	kW max
BW1617J2F	15	kW max
Grid voltage (negative value)	-1.5	kV max
Off-load grid current	1.6	A max
Grid dissipation	600	W max
Frequency	30	MHz max

**OPERATING CONDITIONS
(With high input power)**

Anode voltage	9.5	9.0	8.0	7.0	6.0	kV
Grid voltage	-800	-775	-700	-600	-520	V
from grid resistor	800	720	640	540	445	Ω
Peak RF grid drive voltage	1150	1135	1050	940	860	V
Peak positive grid voltage	350	350	350	340	340	V
Anode current	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	A
Grid current	1.0	1.08	1.1	1.12	1.17	A
Anode dissipation	8.0	7.7	7.3	6.8	6.4	kW
Grid dissipation	350	390	380	380	398	W
Driving power	1150	1226	1155	1050	1006	W
Feedback ratio (see note 2)	13.1	13.7	14.5	15	16.1	%
Anode output power	39.0	37.1	32.7	28.2	23.7	kW
Anode efficiency	83.1	82.7	81.6	80.6	78.7	%
Oscillator output power (see note 3)	37.9	35.9	31.5	27.1	22.7	kW
Oscillator efficiency	80.7	80.0	78.9	77.6	75.4	%
Load resistance	980	920	805	700	600	Ω

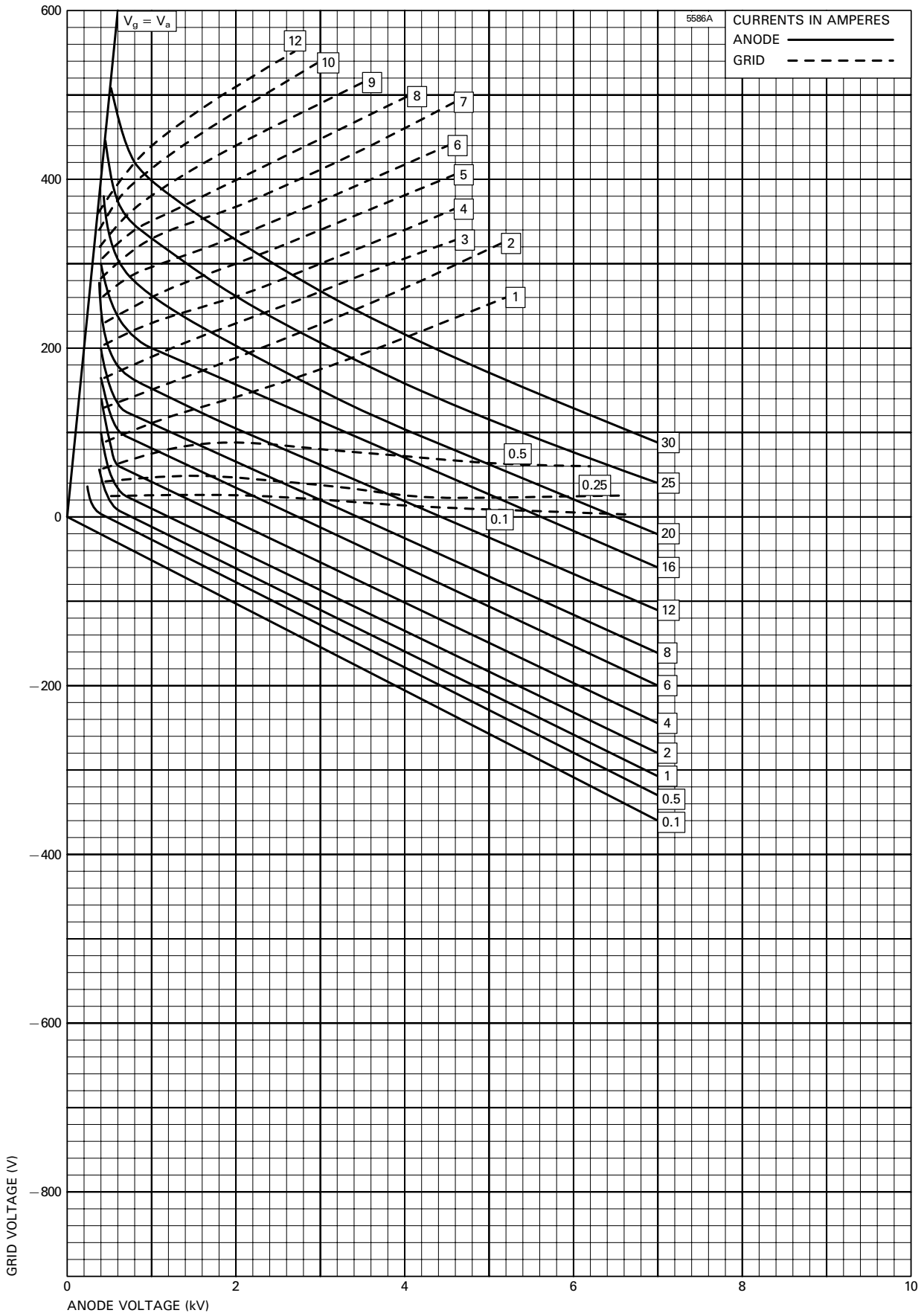
**OPERATING CONDITIONS
(With reduced input power)**

Anode voltage	9.5	9.0	8.0	7.0	6.0	kV
Grid voltage	-800	-775	-700	-600	-520	V
from grid resistor	1265	1225	1060	880	655	Ω
Peak RF grid drive voltage	1075	1050	975	860	795	V
Peak positive grid voltage	275	275	275	260	270	V
Anode current	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	A
Grid current	630	630	660	685	790	mA
Anode dissipation	5.3	5.1	4.7	4.6	4.1	kW
Grid dissipation	174	174	180	177	218	W
Driving power	680	665	645	587	630	W
Feedback ratio (see note 2)	12.3	12.7	13.4	13.7	14.7	%
Anode output power	28.2	26.1	23.2	20	17	kW
Anode efficiency	84.2	83.7	83.0	81.3	80.8	%
Oscillator output power (see note 3)	27.6	25.5	22.5	19.4	16.4	kW
Oscillator efficiency	82.2	81.5	80.7	80.6	77.9	%
Load resistance	1355	1300	1150	990	840	Ω

NOTES

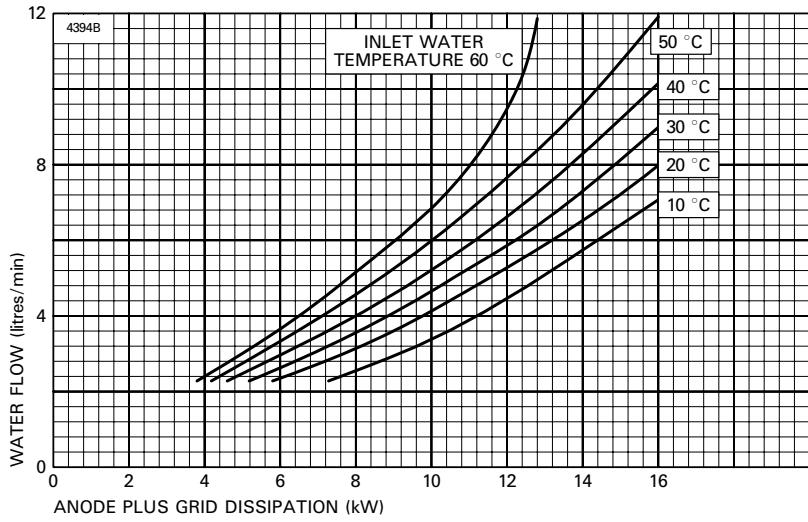
- The tube must be operated at the stated filament voltage. Fluctuation in filament voltage must not exceed ±5%. The filament may be switched on at its operating voltage and no surge limiting devices need be incorporated in the filament circuit. The voltage drop in the integral filament leads is less than 1% of the filament voltage.
- The feedback ratio is defined as $\frac{V_{g(pk)}}{V_{a(pk)}} \times 100$
 where $V_{g(pk)}$ = peak RF grid voltage in volts
 and $V_{a(pk)}$ = peak RF anode voltage in volts.
- Oscillator output power = $P_{out} - P_{drive}$
 where P_{out} = output power of tube to anode circuit
 and P_{drive} = drive power fed back to grid circuit.

TYPICAL CONSTANT CURRENT CHARACTERISTICS

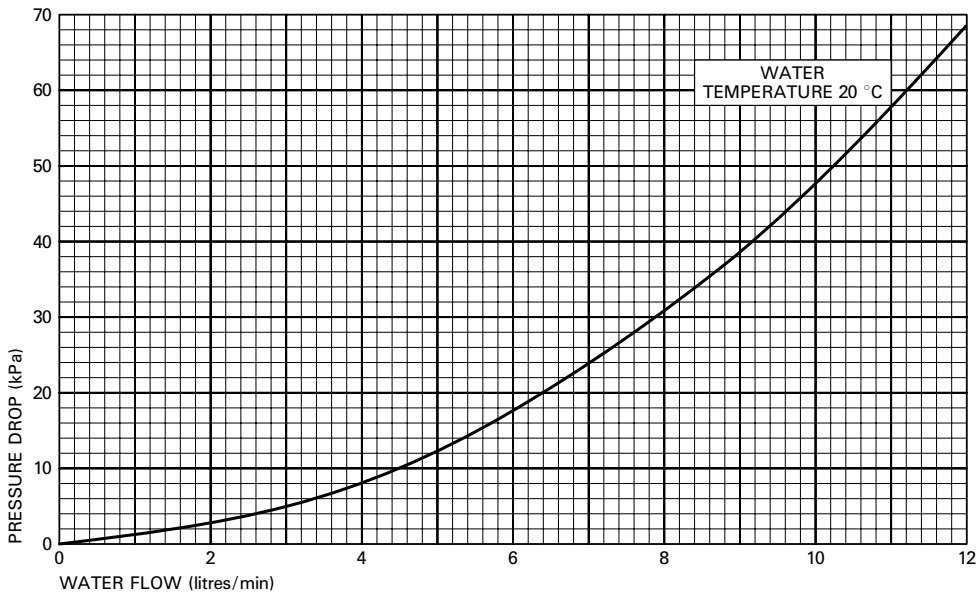


MINIMUM WATER COOLING REQUIREMENTS FOR BW1617J2F

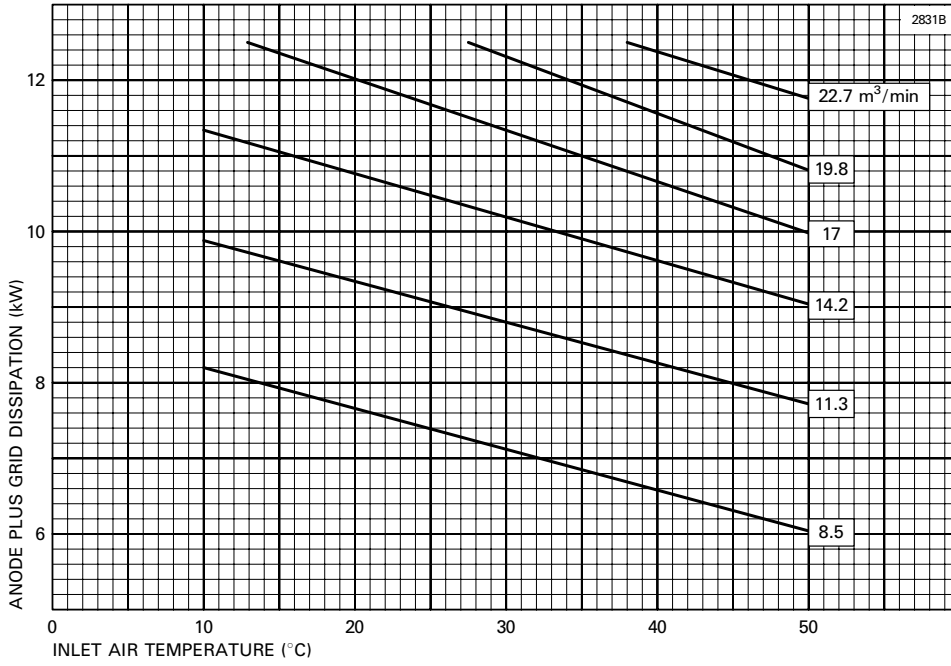
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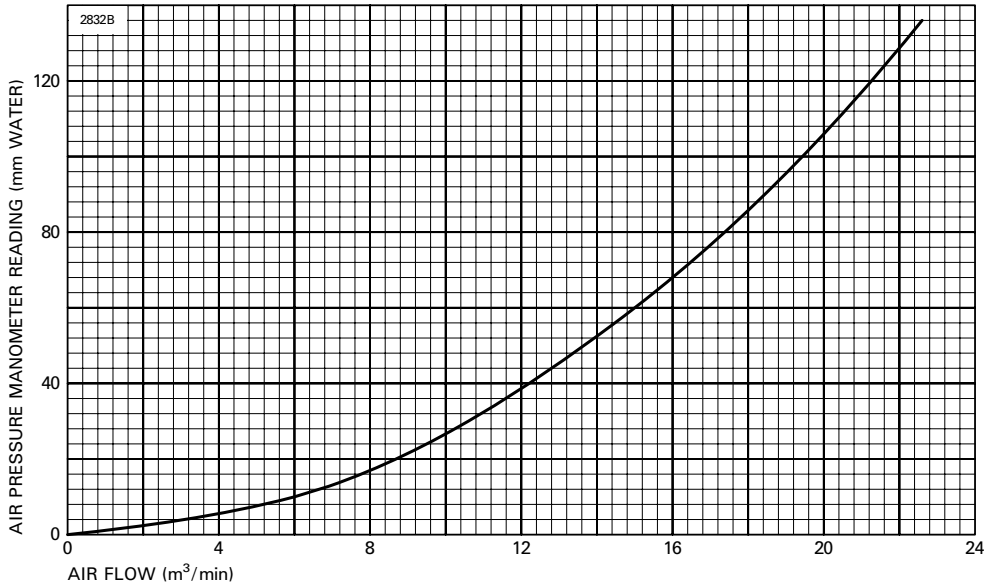
TYPICAL WATER FLOW CHARACTERISTIC FOR BW1617J2F



AIR COOLING REQUIREMENTS FOR BR1617F

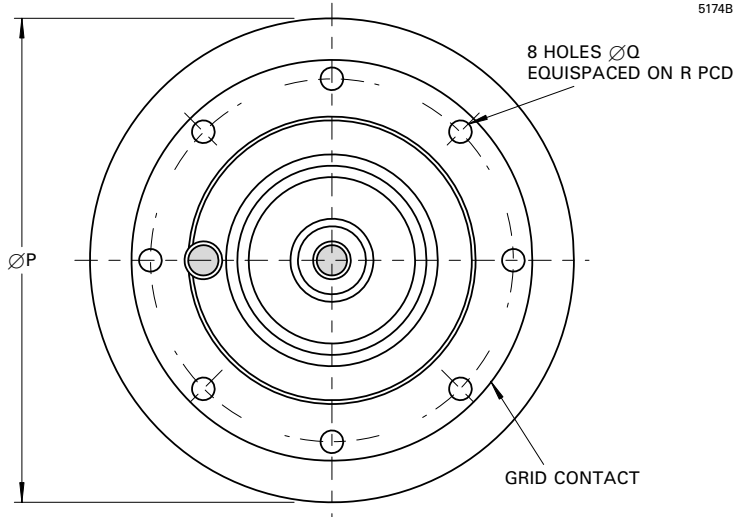


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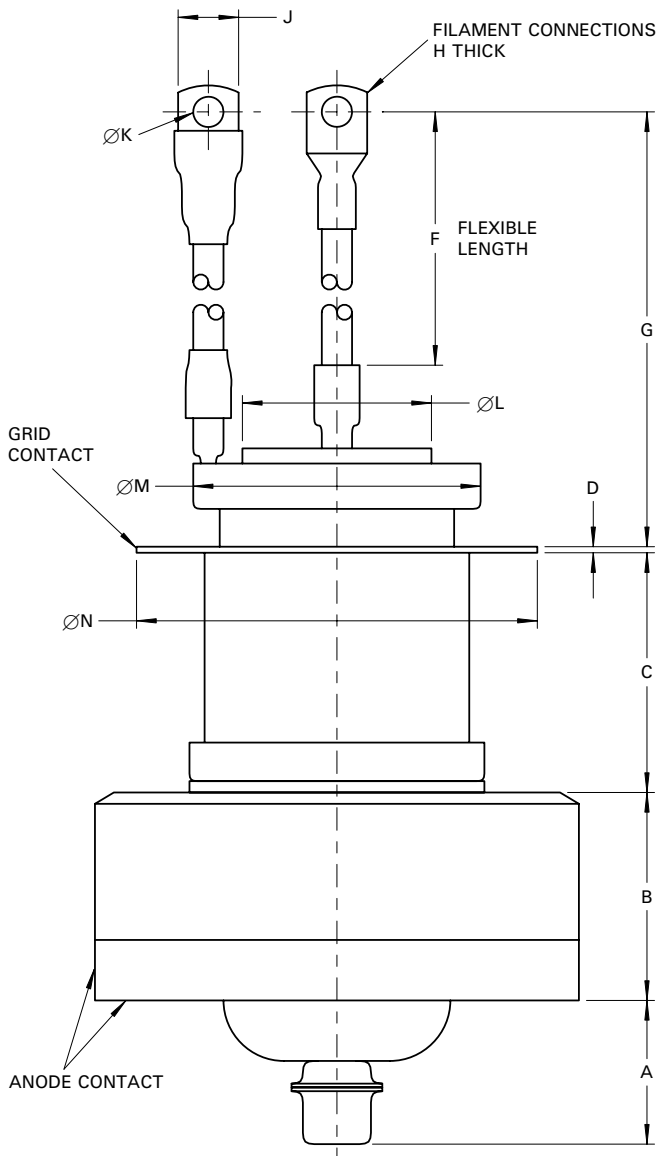


OUTLINE FOR BR1617F (All dimensions without limits are nominal)

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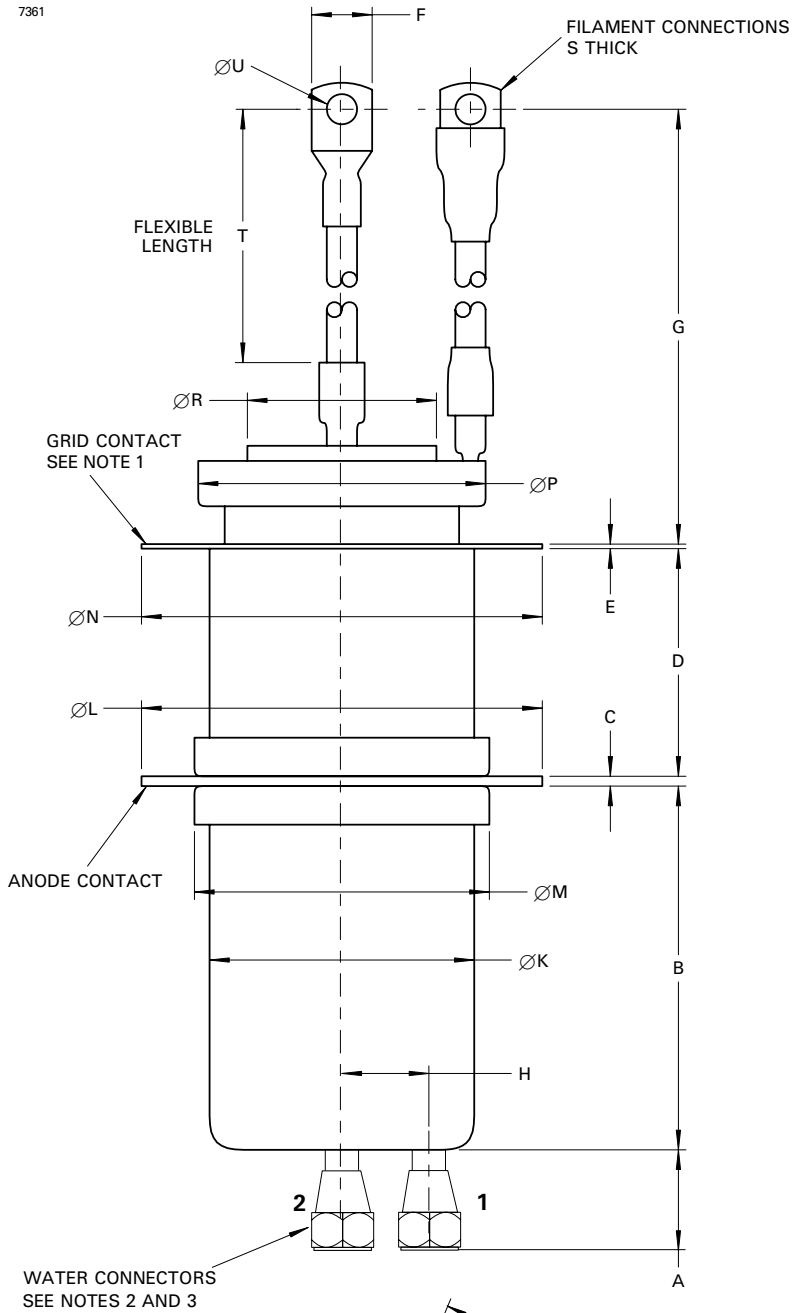


Ref	Millimetres
A	46.6
B	68.0 ± 0.5
C	79.0 ± 1.5
D	1.5
F	212.0
G	325.0 ± 15.0
H	3.0
J	19.0
K	10.5 ± 0.1
L	63.0
M	96.0 ± 0.2
N	133.25 ± 0.50
P	159.0
Q	6.5
R	119.0 ± 0.1



OUTLINE FOR BW1617J2F (All dimensions without limits are nominal)

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Ref	Millimetres
A	45.5
B	127.55 ± 2.00
C	3.25 ± 0.20
D	75.86 ± 1.00
E	1.5
F	19.0
G	325.0 ± 15.0
H	27.0 ± 2.0
K	90.0 ± 1.0
L	133.25 ± 0.50
M	99.0 max
N	133.25 ± 0.50
P	96.0 ± 0.2
R	63.0
S	3.0
T	212.0
U	10.5 + 0.5 - 0.0
V	6.5
W	119.0 ± 0.1
X	112.3 ± 0.5

Outline Notes

1. The grid contact flange has 8 holes of the same size and position as those in the anode contact flange.
2. The water connections must be made as follows, depending on the mounting position.

	Anode down	Anode up
Inlet	2	1
Outlet	1	2

3. Two MA870 water couplings required per tube.

HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARDS

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High Voltage

Equipment must be designed so that personnel cannot come into contact with high voltage circuits. All high voltage circuits and terminals must be enclosed and fail-safe interlock switches must be fitted to disconnect the primary power supply and discharge all high voltage capacitors and other stored energy before allowing access. Interlock switches must not be bypassed to allow operation with access doors open.



RF Radiation

Personnel must not be exposed to excessive RF radiation. A properly designed equipment cabinet with good RF electrical connection between panels will normally provide sufficient protection.



X-Ray Radiation

This device, when operating at voltages above 5 kV, produces progressively more dangerous X-rays as the voltage is increased; the radiation varies greatly during life. The device envelope provides only limited protection and further shielding may be required. A metal equipment cabinet with overlapping joints will usually provide sufficient shielding, but if there is any doubt an expert in this field should perform an X-ray survey of the equipment.



Implosion

This tube stores potential energy by virtue of its vacuum. The energy level is low, but there is some hazard from flying fragments if the tube is dropped or subjected to violent impact. The tube must be stored and transported in its approved pack. During installation or replacement the tube must not be scratched or damaged in any way likely to reduce the strength of the ceramic envelope.

References

1. BS 3192. Specification for safety requirements for radio (including television) transmitting apparatus.
2. TEPAC Publication no. 181. Recommended practice for measurement of X-radiation from power tubes.

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