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### How to read the date code on a relay

#### Introduction:

Date code / lot number is the number to identify when the component is being manufactured. It is for the factories production quality control and tracing purposes.

#### Date code:

There are 3 different date code format on our relays:

- 1) Three digit code: The first digit represents the year and the remaining two digits represent the week number in a calendar year, e.g. 451 means week 51 of year 2004.
- 2) Four digit code: The first two digits represent the year and the remaining two digits represent the week number in a calendar year, e.g. 0451 means week 51 of year 2004.
- 3) Five digits code: The first digit represents the year. The second two digits represent the month and the remaining two digits represent the day, e.g. 41201 means Dec. 1, 2004

#### Factory code:

A letter following the date code identifies factory location.

#### Examples:



US Part No: <u>TK1-5V</u> Date code: <u>70313</u> – the relay was made on March 13<sup>th</sup> 2007. Factory code: <u>B</u> – Japan factory (internal use only).



US Part No: <u>AQV412EH</u> Date code: <u>431</u> – 31<sup>st</sup> week, 2004. Factory code: Blank – Japan factory (internal use only).



US Part No: <u>S2EB-5V</u> Date code: <u>40113</u> – January 13<sup>th</sup> 2004. Factory code: Blank – Japan factory (internal use only).

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