

## POWER TETRODE

7-PIN MINIATURE, SPACE-CHARGE-GRID TYPE For use in automobile radio receivers operating directly from 12-volt storage batteries

GENERAL DATA			
Electrical:			
Heater•, for Unipotential Cathode:  Voltage range 10.0 to 15.9 dc volts  This voltage range is on an absolute basis. For long- est life, it is recommended that the heater be operated within the voltage range of 11 to 14 volts.  Current (Approx.) at 12.6 volts			
Characteristics, Class A <sub>1</sub> Amplifier with 12.6 Volts on Heater:			
Plate Voltage			
Mechanical:			
Operating Position			
Pin 1 - Cathode Pin 2 - Grid No.2 Pin 3 - Heater Pin 4 - Heater  Pin 4 - Heater  Pin 5 - Grid No.1 Pin 6 - Grid No.1 Pin 7 - Plate			
AUDIO-DRIVER SERVICE			
Maximum Ratings, Design-Center Values Except as Noted:			
PLATE VOLTAGE			
GRID-No.1 (SPACE-CHARGE-GRID) VOLTAGE			
(Absolute maximum)			
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Typical Operation with 12.6 Volts on Heater:		
Plate Voltage	12.6	volts
Grid-No.2 Voltage:		į
Obtained by rectification through 2.2-		_
megohm resistor	-2	volts
Peak AF Grid-No.2 Voltage:		
Obtained from 100000-ohm source	2.5	volts
Grid-No.1 Voltage	12.6	volts
Zero-Signal Plate Current	40	ma
MaxSignal Plate Current	8	ma
Grid-No.1 Current	75	ma
Load Resistance	800	ohms
Total Harmonic Distortion	10	%
MaxSignal Power Output	40	mw
Maximum Circuit Values:		
	10 max.	megohms

<sup>•</sup> Operation of heater in series with other heaters is not recommended.
• Under no circumstances should this absolute value be exceeded.

## **OPERATING CONSIDERATIONS**

The maximum ratings in the tabulated data for the 12K5, except the rating for grid-No.1 (space-charge-grid) voltage, are working design-center maximums established according to the standard design-center system of rating electron tubes. Tubes so rated will give satisfactory performance in storage-battery-operated equipment provided the following stipulations are observed:

In the case of storage-battery-with-charger supply or similar supplies, the normal battery-voltage fluctuation may be as much as 35 per cent or more. This fluctuation imposes severe operating conditions on tubes. Under these conditions, the equipment should be designed so that 90 per cent of the design-center maximum values of plate voltage, grid-No.2 voltage, plate dissipation, and grid-No.2 input is never exceeded for a battery-terminal potential of 13.2 volts. Although the operating voltages of the 12K5 in this service will, at times, exceed the design-center maximum values, satisfactory performance with probable sacrifice in life will be obtained.