



ELECTRONIC TUBE REFERENCE

NL618

Rectifier - Half Wave electronic tube

CONSOLIDATED TECHNICAL DATA

1 SECTION
CONSTRUCTION
RECTIFIER

High-current National Electronics directly heated industrial rectifier. Its massive filament provides more than six amperes of output with very high peak-current capability.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

BASE DESIGNATION	—	BASE PINS	4
NOMINAL HEATER	2.5 V / 18 A	PARALLEL HEATER	— / —
HEATING	Direct	SERIES OPERATION	Not specified
CATHODE ARRANGEMENT	Separate cathodes	SECTION CONSTRUCTION	Similar

SECTION RATINGS

SECTION 1 Rectifier	
MAXIMUM CATHODE CURRENT	6.4 A
PEAK INVERSE VOLTAGE	900 V
NOMINAL OUTPUT CURRENT	6.4 A
PEAK FORWARD CURRENT	40 A
FORWARD VOLTAGE DROP	9 V
WARM-UP TIME	60 s
<i>Published rectifier ratings promoted from technical-information table.</i>	

The NL618 is a National Electronics industrial rectifier tube with published DC output-current and peak-inverse-voltage ratings.



SOURCE OPERATING CONDITIONS

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1956 National Electronics Industrial Tubes

Published test conditions and operating points. Values on this page are preserved as reported by this source.

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OTHER		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Maximum peak inverse voltage	900 V	Published datasheet value
Maximum DC output current	6.4 A	Published datasheet value
Maximum instantaneous output current	40 A	Published datasheet value
Maximum AC short-circuit current	770 A	Published datasheet value

CHARACTERISTICS		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Heating time	60 s	Published datasheet value
Typical arc drop	9 V	At stated peak current



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PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Maximum DC output current	6.4 A	—

PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Maximum instantaneous output current	40 A	—
Maximum peak inverse voltage	900 V	—

CHARACTERISTIC		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Filament heating time	60 s	—
Typical arc drop	9 V	—
Typical anode starting voltage	20 V	—

CONSTRUCTION		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Filling	Xenon	—

APPLICATION		
PARAMETER	PUBLISHED VALUE	CONDITION / NOTE
Service	Industrial power rectifier	—

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