## 4) What is the initial accuracy of temperature sensors?

ASTM E-230	Thermoelement	Temperature Range		As per ASTM E-230 Tolerances  * Which ever is greater		Caution
Letter	Alloys	°C	°F	Standard	Special	1
B BP (-) BN (-)	Pt 30% Rh Pt 6% Rh	870 to 1700	1600 to 3100	± .5%	± .25%	Users should be aware that certain characteristics of thermocouple materials, including the EMF vs. temperature relationship may change with time in use; consequently, test results and performance obtained at time of manufacture may not necessarily apply throughout an extended period of use.  Tolerances given above apply only to new wire as delivered to the user and do not allow for changes in characteristics with use. The magnitude of such changes will depend on such factors as wire size, temperature, time of exposure and environment. It should be further noted that due to possible changes in homogeneity, attempting to recalibrate used thermocouples is likely to yield irrelevant results, and is not recommended. However, it may be appropriate to compare used thermocouples in-situation with new or known good ones to ascertain their suitability for further service under the conditions of the comparison.
E EP (+) EN (-)	Chromel Constantan	0 to 870 -200 to 0	32 to 1600 -328 to 32	± 1.7°C or ± .5% (± 3.06°F) * ± 1.7°C or ± .1%	± 1.0°C or ± .4% (± 1.8°F) * ± 1.0°C or ± .5%	
JP (+) JN (-)	Iron Constantan	0 to 760	32 to 1400	± 2.2 °C or ± .75% (± 3.96°F) *	± 1.1°C or ± .4% (± 1.98°F) *	
K KP (+) KN (-)	Chromel Alumel	0 to 1260 -200 to 0	32 to 2300 -328 to 32	± 2.2°C or ± .75% (± 3.96°F) * ± 2.2°C or ± 2%	± 1.1°C or ± .4% (± 1.98°F) * N/A	
N NP (+) NN (-)	Nicrosil Nisil	0 to 1260	32 to 2300	± 2.2 °C or ± .75% (± 3.96°F) *	± 1.1°C or ± .4% (± 1.98°F) *	
R RP (+) RN (-)	Pt 13% Rh Pure Pt	0 to 1480	32 to 2700	± 1.5 °C or ± .25% (± 2.7°F) *	± .6°C or ± .1% (± 1.08°F) *	
S SP (+) SN (-)	Pt 10% Rh Pure Pt	0 to 1480	32 to 2700	± 1.5 °C or ± .25% (± 2.7°F) *	± .6°C or ± .1% (± 1.08°F) *	
T TP (+) TN (-)	Copper Constantan	0 to 370 -200 to 0	32 to 700 -328 to 32	± 1.0°C or ± .75% (± 1.8°F) * ± 1.0°C or ± .1.5%	± .5°C or ± .4% (± .9°F) * ± .5°C or ± .8%	



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