

# LM120/LM320-N Series 3-Terminal Negative Regulators

Check for Samples: LM120, LM320-N

#### **FEATURES**

- Preset Output Voltage Error Less than ±3%
- Preset Current Limit
- Internal Thermal Shutdown
- Operates with Input-Output Voltage Differential down to 1V
- Excellent Ripple Rejection
- Low Temperature Drift
- Easily Adjustable to Higher Output Voltage

#### DESCRIPTION

The LM120 series are three-terminal negative regulators with a fixed output voltage of -5V, -12V, and -15V, and up to 1.5A load current capability. Where other voltages are required, the LM137 and LM137HV series provide an output voltage range of -1.2V to -47V.

The LM120 need only one external component—a compensation capacitor at the output, making them easy to apply. Worst case specifications on output voltage deviation due to any combination of line, load or temperature variation assure satisfactory system operation.

## **Typical Applications**

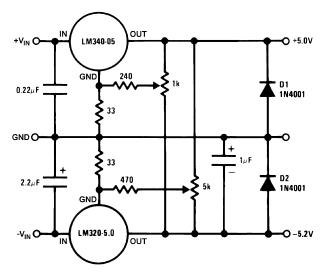


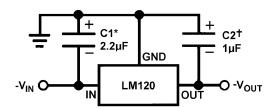
Figure 1. Dual Trimmed Supply

Exceptional effort has been made to make the LM120 Series immune to overload conditions. The regulators have current limiting which is independent of temperature, combined with thermal overload protection. Internal current limiting protects against momentary faults while thermal shutdown prevents junction temperatures from exceeding safe limits during prolonged overloads.

Although primarily intended for fixed output voltage applications, the LM120 Series may be programmed for higher output voltages with a simple resistive divider. The low quiescent drain current of the devices allows this technique to be used with good regulation.

Table 1. LM120 Series Packages and Power Capability

Device	Package	Rated Power Dissipation	Design Load Current
LM120/LM320- N	TO-3 (NDS)	20W	1.5A
	TO (NDT)	2W	0.5A
LM320-N	TO-220 (NDE)	15W	1.5A



\*Required if regulator is separated from filter capacitor by more than 3 inches. For value given, capacitor must be solid tantalum. 25 µF aluminum electrolytic may be substituted.

†Required for stability. For value given, capacitor must be solid tantalum. 25 µF aluminum electrolytic may be substituted. Values given may be increased without limit

For output capacitance in excess of 100  $\mu$ F, a high current diode from input to output (1N4001, etc.) will protect the regulator from momentary input shorts.

Figure 2. Fixed Regulator

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These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS-5 VOLT REGULATORS (1)(2)(3)

Power Dissipation	Internally Limited
Input Voltage	-25V
Input-Output Voltage Differential	25V
Junction Temperatures	(4)
Storage Temperature Range	−65°C to +150°C
Lead Temperature	
(Soldering, 10 sec.)	300°C
Plastic	260°C

- (1) Refer to RETS120-5H drawing for LM120H-5.0 or RETS120-5K drawing for LM120-5K military specifications.
- (2) For -5V 3 amp regulators, see LM145 data sheet.
- (3) If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.
- (4) This specification applies over -55°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +150°C for the LM120 and 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C for the LM320-N.

#### LM120K-5.0 AND LM320K-5.0 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS(1)

		Metal Can Package						
	Order Numbers	LI	LM120K-5.0 L (TO-3)			M320K-( (TO-3)	Units	
	esign Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> ) Device Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> )				5A )W			Units
Parameter	Conditions (2)	Min	Тур	Max	Min	Тур	Max	
Output Voltage	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 10V,$	<b>−</b> 5.1	-5	-4.9	-5.2	<b>-</b> 5	-4.8	V
	$I_{LOAD} = 5 \text{ mA}$							
Line Regulation	$T_J = 25$ °C, $I_{LOAD} = 5$ mA,		10	25		10	40	mV
	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$							
Input Voltage		-25		-7	-25		-7	V
Ripple Rejection	f = 120 Hz	54	64		54	64		dB
Load Regulation,	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 10V,$		50	75		60	100	mV
(3)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_D$							
Output Voltage,	$-7.5V \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$	-5.20		-4.80	-5.25		-4.75	V
(2)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_D, P \le P_D$							
Quiescent Current	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		1	2		1	2	mA
Quiescent Current	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$							
Change	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		0.1	0.4		0.1	0.4	mA
	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_{D}$		0.1	0.4		0.1	0.4	mA
Output Noise Voltage	$T_A = 25$ °C, $C_L = 1 \mu F$ , $I_L = 5 mA$ ,		150			150		μV
	$V_{IN} = 10V$ , 10 Hz $\leq f \leq 100 \text{ kHz}$							
Long Term Stability			5	50		5	50	mV
Thermal Resistance								
Junction to Case				3			3	°C/W
Junction to Ambient				35			35	°C/W

- (1) For -5V 3 amp regulators, see LM145 data sheet.
- (2) This specification applies over  $-55^{\circ}\text{C} \le \text{T}_{\text{J}} \le +150^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM120 and  $0^{\circ}\text{C} \le \text{T}_{\text{J}} \le +125^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM320-N.
- (3) Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. To ensure constant junction temperature, low duty cycle, pulse testing is used. The LM120/LM320-N series does have low thermal feedback, improving line and load regulation. On all other tests, even though power dissipation is internally limited, electrical specifications apply only up to P<sub>D</sub>.

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## LM120H-5.0 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS(1)

			Metal Can Package				
Order Numbers			LM120H-5.0 (TO)				
	Design Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> ) Device Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> )			Units			
Parameter	Conditions (2)	Min	Тур	Max			
Output Voltage	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 10V,$	<b>−</b> 5.1	-5	-4.9	V		
	I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 5 mA						
Line Regulation	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$ , $I_{LOAD} = 5$ mA,		10	25	mV		
	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$						
Input Voltage		-25		-7	V		
Ripple Rejection	f = 120 Hz	54	64		dB		
Load Regulation,	$T_J = 25$ °C, $V_{IN} = 10V$ ,		30	50	mV		
(3)	$5 \text{ mA} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq I_{D}$						
Output Voltage,	$-7.5V \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$	-5.20		-4.80	V		
(4)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_D, P \le P_D$						
Quiescent Current	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		1	2	mA		
Quiescent Current	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C						
Change	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		0.05	0.4	mA		
	$5 \text{ mA} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq I_{D}$		0.04	0.4	mA		
Output Noise Voltage	$T_A = 25^{\circ}C, C_L = 1 \mu F, I_L = 5 \text{ mA},$		150		μV		
	$V_{IN} = 10V$ , 10 Hz $\leq f \leq 100 \text{ kHz}$						
Long Term Stability			5		mV		
Thermal Resistance							
Junction to Case				(5)	°C/W		
Junction to Ambient				(5)	°C/W		

- For -5V 3 amp regulators, see LM145 data sheet.
- This specification applies over −55°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +150°C for the LM120 and 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C for the LM320-N.
- Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. To ensure constant junction temperature, low duty cycle, pulse testing is used. The LM120/LM320-N series does have low thermal feedback, improving line and load regulation. On all other tests, even though power dissipation is internally limited, electrical specifications apply only up to P<sub>D</sub>.
- This specification applies over −55°C ≤ T₁ ≤ +150°C for the LM120 and 0°C ≤ T₁ ≤ +125°C for the LM320-N.
- Thermal resistance of typically 85°C/W (in 400 linear feet air flow), 224°C/W (in static air) junction to ambient, of typically 21°C/W junction to case.

## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS-12 VOLT REGULATORS (1)(2)

Power Dissipation	Internally Limited
Input Voltage	-35V
Input-Output Voltage Differential	30V
Junction Temperatures	(3)
Storage Temperature Range	−65°C to +150°C
Lead Temperature	
(Soldering, 10 sec.)	300°C

- (1) Refer to RETS120H-12 drawing for LM120H-12 or RETS120-12K drawing for LM120K-12 military specifications.
- If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.

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This specification applies over −55°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +150°C for the LM120 and 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C for the LM320-N.



#### LM120K-12 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

		Meta						
	Order Numbers			LM120K-12 (TO-3)				
	Design Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> )							
	Device Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> )		20W					
Parameter	Conditions (1)	Min	Тур	Max				
Output Voltage	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 17V,$	-12.3	-12	-11.7	V			
	$I_{LOAD} = 5 \text{ mA}$							
Line Regulation	$T_J = 25$ °C, $I_{LOAD} = 5$ mA,		4	10	mV			
	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$							
Input Voltage		-32		-14	V			
Ripple Rejection	f = 120 Hz	56	80		dB			
Load Regulation,	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 17V,$		30	80	mV			
(2)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_{D}$							
Output Voltage,	$14.5V \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX},$	-12.5		-11.5	V			
(3)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_D, P \le P_D$							
Quiescent Current	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		2	4	mA			
Quiescent Current	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$							
Change	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		0.1	0.4	mA			
	$5 \text{ mA} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq I_{D}$		0.1	0.4	mA			
Output Noise Voltage	$T_A = 25^{\circ}C, C_L = 1 \mu F, I_L = 5 \text{ mA},$		400		μV			
	$V_{IN} = 17V$ , 10 Hz $\leq f \leq 100 \text{ kHz}$							
Long Term Stability			12	120	mV			
Thermal Resistance								
Junction to Case				3	°C/W			
Junction to Ambient				35	°C/W			

<sup>(1)</sup> This specification applies over −55°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +150°C for the LM120 and 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C for the LM320-N.

#### LM120H-12 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

		Metal Can Package		ackage		
Order Numbers						
	Design Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> )		Units			
Device Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> )		2W		(P <sub>D</sub> ) 2W		
Parameter	Conditions <sup>(1)</sup>	Min	Тур	Max		
Output Voltage	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C, V <sub>IN</sub> = 17V,	-12.3	-12	-11.7	V	
	I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 5 mA					
Line Regulation	$T_J = 25$ °C, $I_{LOAD} = 5$ mA,		4	10	mV	
	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$					
Input Voltage		-32		-14	V	
Ripple Rejection	f = 120 Hz	56	80		dB	
Load Regulation,	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C, V <sub>IN</sub> = 17V,		10	25	mV	

This specification applies over -55°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +150°C for the LM120 and 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C for the LM320-N.

<sup>(2)</sup> Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. To ensure constant junction temperature, low duty cycle, pulse testing is used. The LM120/LM320-N series does have low thermal feedback, improving line and load regulation. On all other tests, even though power dissipation is internally limited, electrical specifications apply only up to P<sub>D</sub>.

<sup>(3)</sup> This specification applies over −55°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +150°C for the LM120 and 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C for the LM320-N.



#### LM120H-12 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

		M	Metal Can Package			
Order Numbers  Design Output Current ( $I_D$ )  Device Dissipation ( $P_D$ )						
			0.2A		Units	
			2W			
Parameter	Conditions <sup>(1)</sup>	Min	Max			
(2)	5 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ I <sub>D</sub>					
Output Voltage,	$14.5V \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX},$	-12.5		-11.5	V	
(1)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_D, P \le P_D$					
Quiescent Current	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		2	4	mA	
Quiescent Current	$T_J = 25$ °C					
Change	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		0.05	0.4	mA	
	5 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ I <sub>D</sub>		0.03	0.4	mA	
Output Noise Voltage	$T_A = 25^{\circ}C, C_L = 1 \mu F, I_L = 5 mA,$		400		μV	
	$V_{IN} = 17V$ , 10 Hz $\leq f \leq 100$ kHz					
Long Term Stability			12	120	mV	
Thermal Resistance						
Junction to Case				(3)	°C/W	
Junction to Ambient				(3)	°C/W	

<sup>(2)</sup> Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. To ensure constant junction temperature, low duty cycle, pulse testing is used. The LM120/LM320-N series does have low thermal feedback, improving line and load regulation. On all other tests, even though power dissipation is internally limited, electrical specifications apply only up to P<sub>D</sub>.

#### LM320T-12 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

		Power Plastic Package						
Order Numbers								
	Design Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> )		Units					
	Device Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> )		15W					
Parameter	Conditions (1) Min Typ		meter Conditions (1) Min Typ Max		Min Typ Max			
Output Voltage	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 17V,$	-12.4	-12	-11.6	V			
	I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 5 mA							
Line Regulation	$T_J = 25$ °C, $I_{LOAD} = 5$ mA,		4	20	mV			
	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$							
Input Voltage		-32		-14.5	V			
Ripple Rejection	f = 120 Hz	56	80		dB			
Load Regulation,	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 17V,$		30	80	mV			
(2)	$5 \text{ mA} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq I_{D}$							
Output Voltage,	$14.5V \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX},$	-12.6		-11.4	V			
(1)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_D, P \le P_D$							
Quiescent Current	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		2	4	mA			
Quiescent Current	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C							
Change	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		0.1	0.4	mA			
	$5 \text{ mA} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq I_{D}$		0.1	0.4	mA			

<sup>(1)</sup> This specification applies over  $-55^{\circ}\text{C} \le T_{J} \le +150^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM120 and  $0^{\circ}\text{C} \le T_{J} \le +125^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM320-N.

<sup>(3)</sup> Thermal resistance of typically 85°C/W (in 400 linear feet/min air flow), 224°C/W (in static air) junction to ambient, of typically 21°C/W junction to case.

<sup>(2)</sup> Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. To ensure constant junction temperature, low duty cycle, pulse testing is used. The LM120/LM320-N series does have low thermal feedback, improving line and load regulation. On all other tests, even though power dissipation is internally limited, electrical specifications apply only up to P<sub>D</sub>.



#### LM320T-12 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

Order Numbers  Design Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> )		Powe			
		1A			Units
	Device Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> ) 15W		15W		
Parameter	Conditions <sup>(1)</sup>	Min	Тур	Max	
Output Noise Voltage	$T_A = 25$ °C, $C_L = 1 \mu F$ , $I_L = 5 \text{ mA}$ ,		400		μV
	V <sub>IN</sub> = 17V, 10 Hz ≤ f ≤ 100 kHz				
Long Term Stability			24		mV
Thermal Resistance					
Junction to Case			4		°C/W
Junction to Ambient			50		°C/W

#### **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS-15 VOLT REGULATORS**(1)(2)

Power Dissipation	Internally Limited
Input Voltage	
LM120/LM320-N	-40V
LM320T	-35V
Input-Output Voltage Differential	30V
Junction Temperatures	(3)
Storage Temperature Range	−65°C to +150°C
Lead Temperature	
(Soldering, 10 sec.)	300°C

- (1) Refer to RETS120-15H drawing for LM120H-15 or RETS120-15K drawing for LM120K-15 military specifications.
- (2) If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.
- (3) This specification applies over  $-55^{\circ}\text{C} \le \text{T}_{\text{J}} \le +150^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM120 and  $0^{\circ}\text{C} \le \text{T}_{\text{J}} \le +125^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM320-N.

#### LM120K-15 AND LM320K-15 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

			Metal Can Package					
Order Numbers  Design Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> )		L	LM120K-15 (TO-3)		LM320K-15 (TO-3)		-	
					1A			Units
D	evice Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> )	20W						
Parameter	Conditions <sup>(1)</sup>	Min Typ Max Min Typ M			Max			
Output Voltage	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C, V <sub>IN</sub> = 20V,	-15.3	-15	-14.7	-15.4	-15	-14.6	V
	I <sub>LOAD</sub> = 5 mA							
Line Regulation	$T_J = 25$ °C, $I_{LOAD} = 5$ mA,		5	10		5	20	mV
	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$							
Input Voltage		-35		-17	-35		-17	V
Ripple Rejection	f = 120 Hz	56	80		56	80		dB
Load Regulation,	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C, V <sub>IN</sub> = 20V,		30	80		30	80	mV
(2)	5 mA ≤ I <sub>LOAD</sub> ≤ I <sub>D</sub>							
Output Voltage,	$17.5V \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$	-15.5		-14.5	-15.6		-14.4	V
(1)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_D, P \le P_D$							
Quiescent Current	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		2	4		2	4	mA

<sup>(1)</sup> This specification applies over  $-55^{\circ}\text{C} \le \text{T}_{\text{J}} \le +150^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM120 and  $0^{\circ}\text{C} \le \text{T}_{\text{J}} \le +125^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM320-N.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. To ensure constant junction temperature, low duty cycle, pulse testing is used. The LM120/LM320-N series does have low thermal feedback, improving line and load regulation. On all other tests, even though power dissipation is internally limited, electrical specifications apply only up to P<sub>D</sub>.



## LM120K-15 AND LM320K-15 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

			Metal Can Package						
Order Numbers  Design Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> )			LM120K-15 L (TO-3)			LM320K-15 (TO-3)			
			1A						
De	evice Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> )		20W						
Parameter	Conditions <sup>(1)</sup>	Min	Тур	Max	Min	Тур	Max		
Quiescent Current	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C								
Change	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		0.1	0.4		0.1	0.4	mA	
	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_{D}$		0.1	0.4		0.1	0.4	mA	
Output Noise Voltage	$T_A = 25^{\circ}C, C_L = 1 \mu F, I_L = 5 mA,$		400			400		μV	
	$V_{IN} = 20V$ , 10 Hz $\leq f \leq 100$ kHz								
Long Term Stability			15	150		15	150	mV	
Thermal Resistance									
Junction to Case				3			3	°C/W	
Junction to Ambient				35			35	°C/W	

## LM120H-15 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

	М				
	Order Numbers		Units		
	Design Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> )				
	Device Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> )				
Parameter	Conditions (1)	Conditions (1) Min Typ Ma		Max	
Output Voltage	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 20V,$	-15.3	-15	-14.7	V
	$I_{LOAD} = 5 \text{ mA}$				
Line Regulation	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$ , $I_{LOAD} = 5$ mA,		5	10	mV
	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$				
Input Voltage		-35		-17	V
Ripple Rejection	f = 120 Hz	56	80		dB
Load Regulation,	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 20V,$		10	25	mV
(2)	$5 \text{ mA} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq I_{D}$				
Output Voltage,	$17.5V \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$	-15.5		-14.5	V
(1)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_D, P \le P_D$				
Quiescent Current	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		2	4	mA
Quiescent Current	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C$				
Change	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		0.05	0.4	mA
	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_{D}$		0.03	0.4	mA
Output Noise Voltage	$T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , $C_L = 1 \mu F$ , $I_L = 5 mA$ ,		400		μV
	$V_{IN} = 20V$ , 10 Hz $\leq f \leq 100 \text{ kHz}$				
Long Term Stability			15	150	mV
Thermal Resistance					
Junction to Case				(3)	°C/W
Junction to Ambient				(3)	°C/W

<sup>(1)</sup> This specification applies over -55°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +150°C for the LM120 and 0°C ≤ T<sub>J</sub> ≤ +125°C for the LM320-N.

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(3) Thermal resistance of typically 85°C/W (in 400 linear feet/min air flow), 224°C/W (in static air) junction to ambient, of typically 21°C/W junction to case.



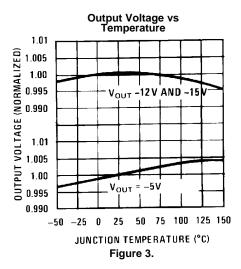
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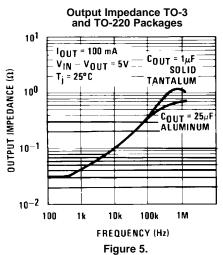
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	Order Numbers						
	Design Output Current (I <sub>D</sub> )		(TO-220) 1A				
	Device Dissipation (P <sub>D</sub> )		15W				
Parameter	Conditions (1)	Min	Тур Мах				
Output Voltage	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 20V,$	-15.5	-15	-14.5	V		
	$I_{LOAD} = 5 \text{ mA}$						
Line Regulation	$T_J = 25$ °C, $I_{LOAD} = 5$ mA,		5	20	mV		
	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$						
Input Voltage		-35		-17.5	V		
Ripple Rejection	f = 120 Hz	56	80		dB		
Load Regulation,	$T_J = 25^{\circ}C, V_{IN} = 20V,$		30	80	mV		
(2)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_{D}$						
Output Voltage,	$17.5V \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$	-15.7		-14.3	V		
(1)	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_D, P \le P_D$						
Quiescent Current	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		2	4	mA		
Quiescent Current	T <sub>J</sub> = 25°C						
Change	$V_{MIN} \le V_{IN} \le V_{MAX}$		0.1	0.4	mA		
	$5 \text{ mA} \le I_{LOAD} \le I_{D}$		0.1	0.4	mA		
Output Noise Voltage	$T_A = 25$ °C, $C_L = 1 \mu F$ , $I_L = 5 \text{ mA}$ ,		400		μV		
	$V_{IN} = 20V$ , 10 Hz $\leq f \leq 100 \text{ kHz}$						
Long Term Stability			30		mV		
Thermal Resistance							
Junction to Case			4		°C/W		
Junction to Ambient			50		°C/W		

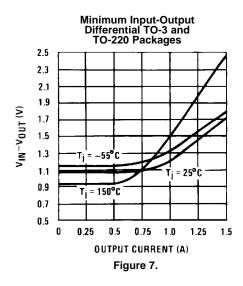
This specification applies over  $-55^{\circ}\text{C} \leq \text{T}_{\text{J}} \leq +150^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM120 and  $0^{\circ}\text{C} \leq \text{T}_{\text{J}} \leq +125^{\circ}\text{C}$  for the LM320-N. Regulation is measured at constant junction temperature. Changes in output voltage due to heating effects must be taken into account separately. To ensure constant junction temperature, low duty cycle, pulse testing is used. The LM120/LM320-N series does have low thermal feedback, improving line and load regulation. On all other tests, even though power dissipation is internally limited, electrical specifications apply only up to P<sub>D</sub>.

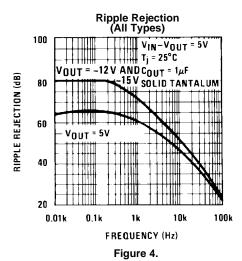


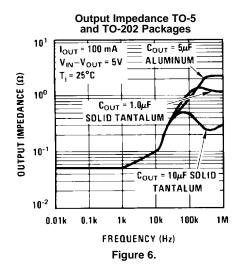
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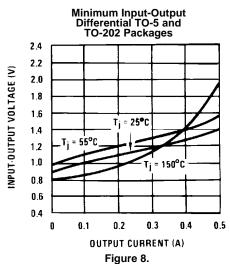






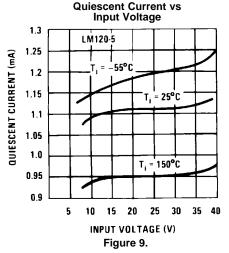


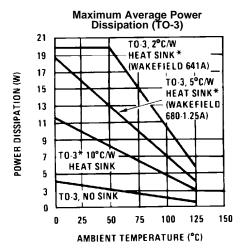




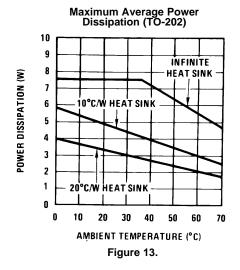


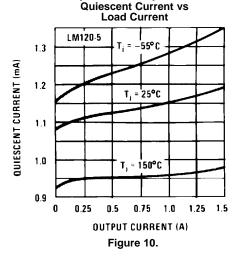
## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS (continued)





\*These curves for LM120. Derate 25°C further for LM320-N. Figure 11.





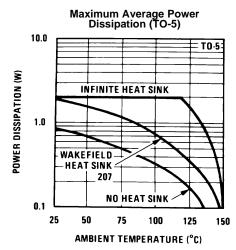
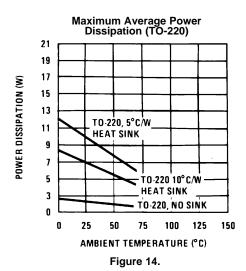
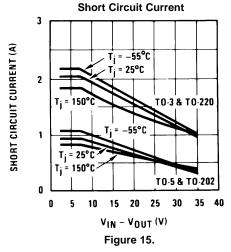


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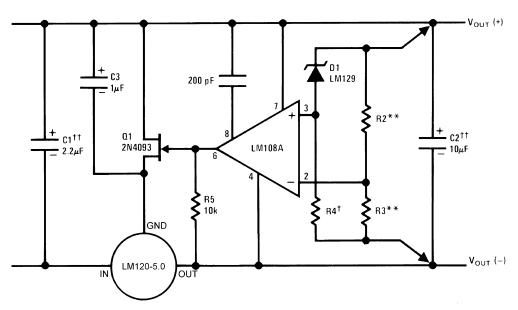


# TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS (continued) Short Circuit Current





#### TYPICAL APPLICATIONS



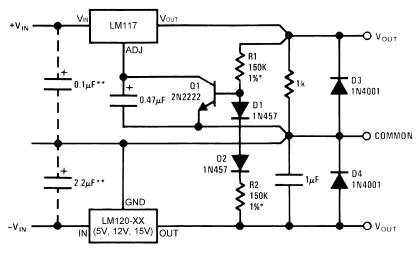
Lead and line regulation — 0.01% temperature stability — 0.2%

†Determines Zener current.

††Solid tantalum.

An LM120-12 or LM120-15 may be used to permit higher input voltages, but the regulated output voltage must be at least -15V when using the LM120-12 and -18V for the LM120-15.

Figure 16. High Stability 1 Amp Regulator



<sup>\*</sup>Resistor tolerance of R1 and R2 determine matching of (+) and (-) inputs.

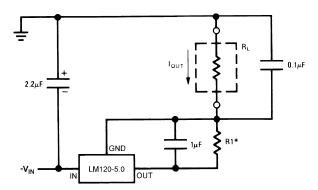
An LM3086N array may substitute for Q1, D1 and D2 for better stability and tracking. In the array diode transistors Q5 and Q4 (in parallel) make up D2; similarly, Q1 and Q2 become D1 and Q3 replaces the 2N2222.

Figure 17. Wide Range Tracking Regulator

<sup>\*\*</sup>Select resistors to set output voltage. 2 ppm/°C tracking suggested.

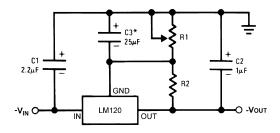
<sup>\*\*</sup>Necessary only if raw supply capacitors are more than 3" from regulators





\* $I_{OUT} = 1 \text{ mA} + \frac{5.0 \text{V}}{\text{R1}}$ 

Figure 18. Current Source



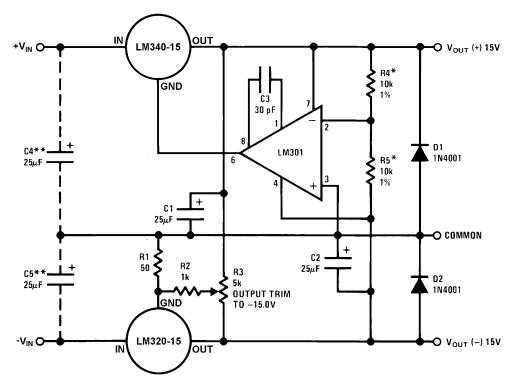
**SELECT R2 AS FOLLOWS:** 

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{LM120-5} & 300\Omega \\ \text{LM120-12} & 750\Omega \\ \text{LM120-15} & 1k \\ v_{\text{OUT}} = v_{\text{SET}} \frac{\text{R1+R2}}{\text{R2}} \\ ^*\text{C3 option} & & \end{array}$ 

Figure 19. Variable Output Current Source

<sup>\*</sup>C3 optional. Improves transient response and ripple rejection.





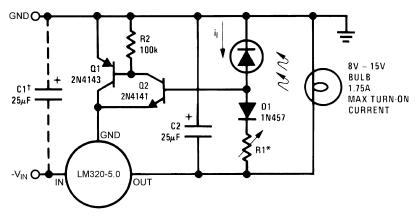
See Performance (Typical)

Figure 20. ±15V, 1 Amp Tracking Regulators

## **Performance (Typical)**

Load Regulation at $\Delta I_L = 1A$	10 mV	1 mV
Output Ripple, $C_{IN}$ = 3000 $\mu F$ , $I_L$ = 1A	100 μVrms	100 μVrms
Temperature Stability	+50 mV	+50 mV
Output Noise 10 Hz ≤ f ≤ 10 kHz	150 μVrms	150 μVrms

## **Light Controllers Using Silicon Photo Cells**



<sup>\*</sup>Lamp brightness increases until  $i_l = 5V/R1$  ( $i_l$  can be set as low as 1  $\mu$ A).

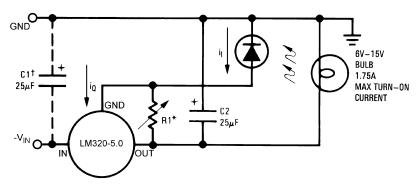
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<sup>\*</sup>Resistor tolerance of R4 and R5 determine matching of (+) and (-) outputs.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Necessary only if raw supply filter capacitors are more than 2 inches from regulators.

<sup>†</sup>Necessary only if raw supply filter capacitor is more than 2 inches from LM320MP.





<sup>\*</sup>Lamp brightness increases until  $i_l = i_Q (1 \text{ mA}) + 5V/R1$ .

†Necessary only if raw supply filter capacitor is more than 2 inches from LM320-N.

## **Connection Diagram**

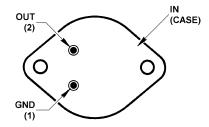


Figure 21. Steel Metal Can Package TO-3 (NDS) (Bottom View)

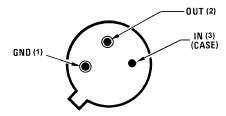


Figure 22. Metal Can Package TO (NDT) (Bottom View)

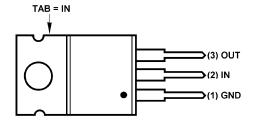


Figure 23. Power Package TO-220 (NDE) (Front View)



## **Schematic Diagrams**

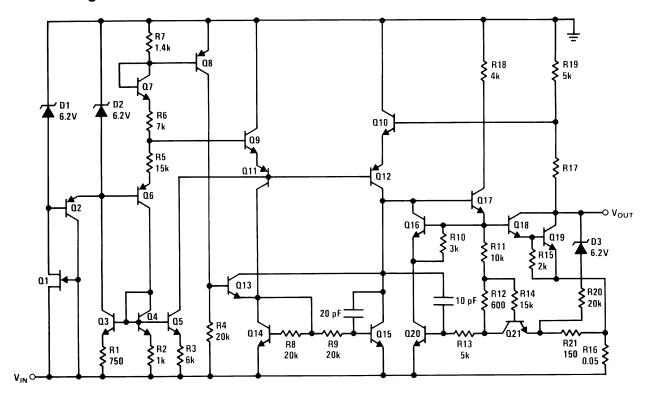


Figure 24. -5V

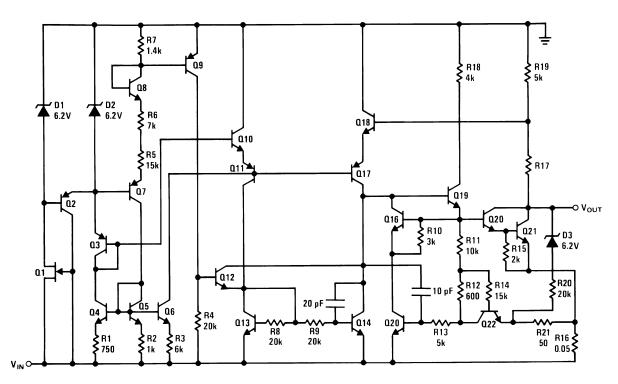


Figure 25. -12V and -15V





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Cł	hanges from Revision B (April 2013) to Revision C	Pa	ge
•	Changed layout of National Data Sheet to TI format		16

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LM120H-12	Active	Production	TO (NDT)   3	500   BULK	Yes	AU	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-55 to 150	( LM120H-12P+, LM1 20H-12P+)
LM120H-12/NOPB	Active	Production	TO (NDT)   3	500   BULK	Yes	AU	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-55 to 150	( LM120H-12P+, LM1 20H-12P+)
LM120H-15	Active	Production	TO (NDT)   3	500   BULK	Yes	AU	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-55 to 150	( LM120H-15P+, LM1 20H-15P+)
LM120H-15/NOPB	Active	Production	TO (NDT)   3	500   BULK	Yes	AU	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-55 to 150	( LM120H-15P+, LM1 20H-15P+)
LM120H-5.0	Active	Production	TO (NDT)   3	500   BULK	Yes	AU	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-55 to 150	( LM120H-5.0P+, LM 120H-5.0P+)
LM120H-5.0/NOPB	Active	Production	TO (NDT)   3	500   BULK	Yes	AU	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	-55 to 150	( LM120H-5.0P+, LM 120H-5.0P+)
LM320T-15/NOPB	Active	Production	TO-220 (NDE)   3	45   TUBE	Yes	SN	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	0 to 125	LM320T -15 P+
LM320T-15/NOPB.B	Active	Production	TO-220 (NDE)   3	45   TUBE	Yes	SN	Level-1-NA-UNLIM	0 to 125	LM320T -15 P+

<sup>(1)</sup> Status: For more details on status, see our product life cycle.

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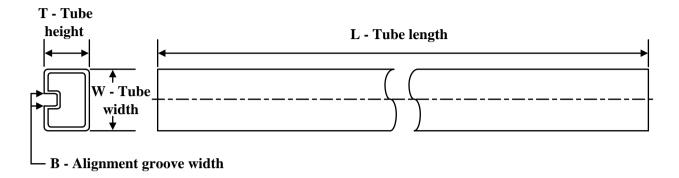
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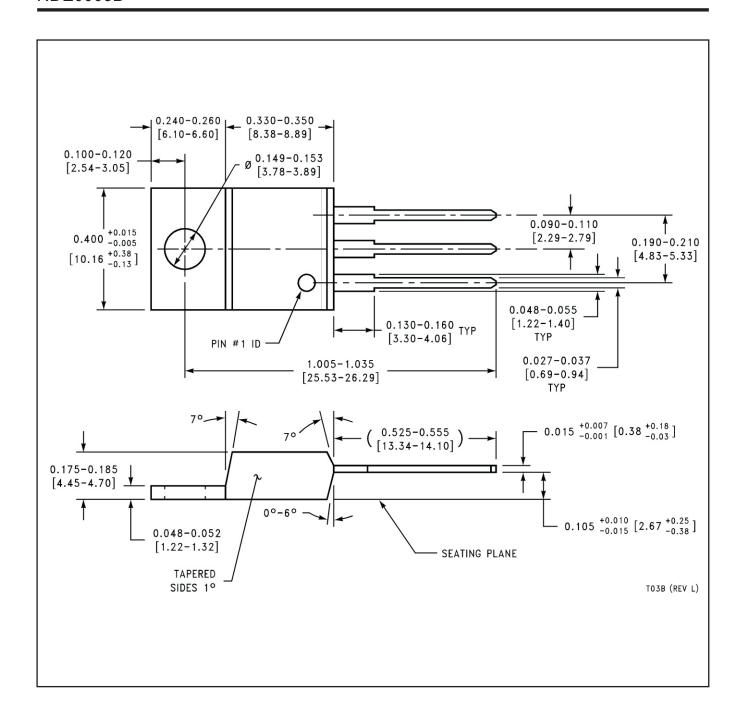
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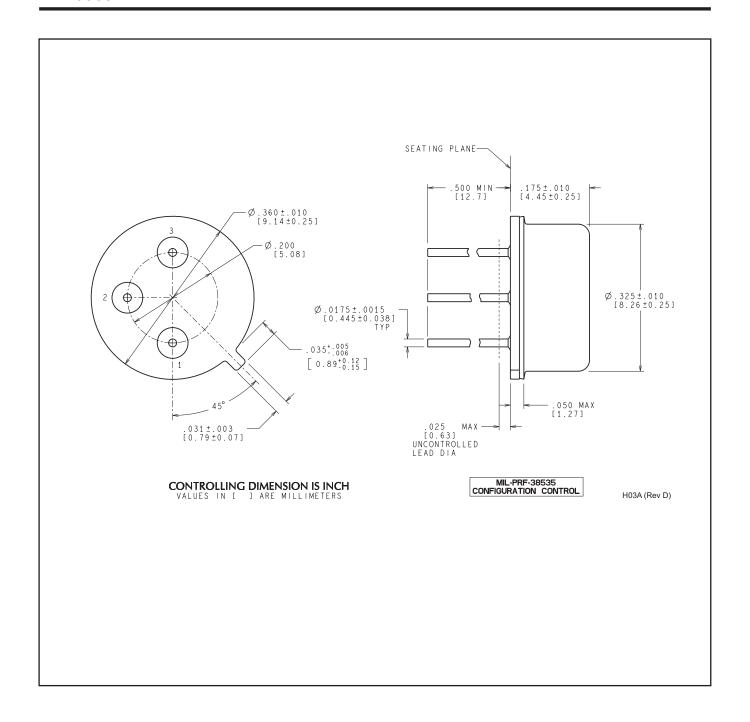
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