

## Display-Storage Tube

FACTORY-COLLIMATED "RUGGEDIZED" TYPE 5-INCH DIAMETER  
 TWO WRITING GUNS 4-INCH-DIAMETER DISPLAY  
 ONE VIEWING GUN INTEGRAL MAGNETIC SHIELD

*For Use in Military and Commercial Information Handling Displays Where Rough Tube Usage May Be Encountered. The 7268B is Unilaterally Interchangeable with Types 7268 and 7268A.*

## ELECTRICAL

Heater, for Unipotential Cathode (All guns)  
 Voltage (AC or DC) . . . . .  $6.3 \pm 10\%$  V  
 Current at 6.3 V. . . . . 0.6 A  
 Cathode Heating Time (Minimum) . . . . . 30 s  
 Before other electrode voltages are applied

*Writing Section—Each Gun*

Focusing Method . . . . . Electrostatic  
 Deflection Method . . . . . Electrostatic  
 Deflecting-Electrode Arrangement. . . See *Dimensional Outline*  
 Direct Interelectrode Capacitances  
 Grid No.1 to all other electrodes . . . . . 15 max pF  
 Cathode to all other electrodes . . . . . 8 max pF  
 Deflecting electrode DJ1 to deflecting  
 electrode DJ2. . . . . 3 max pF  
 Deflecting electrode DJ3 to deflecting  
 electrode DJ4. . . . . 2 max pF  
 DJ1 to all other electrodes . . . . . 10 max pF  
 DJ2 to all other electrodes . . . . . 10 max pF  
 DJ3 to all other electrodes . . . . . 10 max pF  
 DJ4 to all other electrodes . . . . . 10 max pF

*Viewing Section*

Direct Interelectrode Capacitance  
 Backplate to all other electrodes . . . . . 110 max pF

## OPTICAL

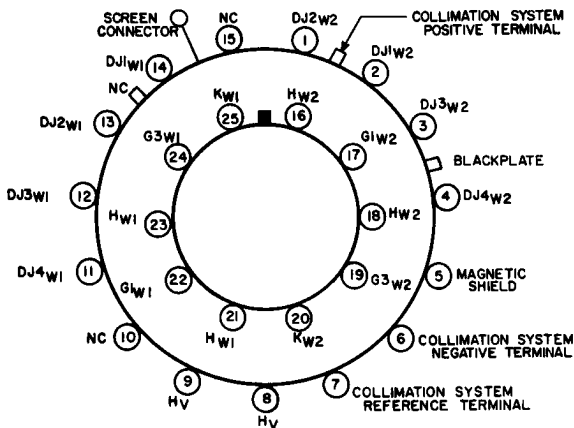
Phosphor. . . . . P20, Aluminized

## MECHANICAL

Operating Position. . . . . Any  
 Minimum Useful Viewing Diameter . . . . . 4 in  
 Maximum Overall Length. . . . . 16 in  
 Maximum Diameter. . . . . 5.28 in  
 Excluding screen lead  
 Screen-Connector Assembly . . . . . See *Dimensional Outline*  
 Weight. . . . . 5-1/4 lb  
 Bulb Terminals  
 Caps (Three). . . . . Recessed Small Ball (JEDEC No. J1-22)  
 Base. . . . . JEDEC No. B25-216



TERMINAL DIAGRAM (Bottom View)



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Pin 1 - Deflecting Electrode DJ2 of Writing Gun No. 2	Pin 17 - Grid No. 1 of Writing Gun No. 2
Pin 2 - Deflecting Electrode DJ1 of Writing Gun No. 2	Pin 18 - Heater of Writing Gun No. 2
Pin 3 - Deflecting Electrode DJ3 of Writing Gun No. 2	Pin 19 - Grid No. 3 of Writing Gun No. 2
Pin 4 - Deflecting Electrode DJ4 of Writing Gun No. 2	Pin 20 - Cathode of Writing Gun No. 2
Pin 5 - Integral Magnetic Shield	Pin 21 - Heater of Writing Gun No. 1
Pin 6 - Collimation System Negative Terminal	Pin 22 - Grid No. 1 of Writing Gun No. 1
Pin 7 - Collimation System Reference Terminal	Pin 23 - Heater of Writing Gun No. 1
Pin 8 - Heater of Viewing Gun	Pin 24 - Grid No. 3 of Writing Gun No. 1
Pin 9 - Heater of Viewing Gun	Pin 25 - Cathode of Writing Gun No. 1
Pin 10 - NC—No Internal Connection	Flexible Lead - Screen (Encapsulated)
Pin 11 - Deflecting Electrode DJ4 of Writing Gun No. 1	Recessed Small Ball Caps - <i>Over Pin No. 3</i>
Pin 12 - Deflecting Electrode DJ3 of Writing Gun No. 1	NC—No Internal Connection
Pin 13 - Deflecting Electrode DJ2 of Writing Gun No. 1	<i>Over Pin No. 13</i>
Pin 14 - Deflecting Electrode DJ1 of Writing Gun No. 1	Collimation System Positive Terminal
Pin 15 - NC—No Internal Connection	<i>Over Pin No. 14</i>
Pin 16 - Heater of Writing Gun No. 2	Backplate

**MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM RATINGS, ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM VALUES**

All voltages are shown with respect to the reference terminal of the collimation system unless otherwise specified. The reference terminal must be grounded.

	Min	Max	
<b>Screen Voltage</b>			
Peak . . . . .	-	11500	V
DC . . . . .	0	11000	V
<b>DC Backplate Voltage.</b> . . . . .	0	35	V
<b>Collimation System<sup>a</sup></b>			
Positive-terminal voltage . . . . .	0	300	V
Negative-terminal voltage . . . . .	-100	-50	V
<b>Viewing-Gun Heater.</b> . . . . .	-125	125	V
<b>Magnetic Shield Voltage</b> . . . . .	-200	200	V
<b>Deflecting-Electrode Voltage.</b> . . . . .	-600	600	V
Each gun			
<b>Writing-Grid-No.3 Voltage</b> . . . . .	0	2000	V
Each gun <sup>b</sup>			
<b>Writing-Grid-No.1 Voltage</b> . . . . .	-200	(c)	V
Each gun <sup>b</sup>			
<b>Writing-Gun Cathode Voltage</b> . . . . .	-2800	0	V
Each gun			
<b>Writing-Gun Heater-to-Cathode Voltage</b> . . . . .	-125	125	V
Each gun			
<b>Series Current-Limiting Resistor</b>			
Unbypassed, in screen circuit . . . . .	1	-	M $\Omega$
Unbypassed, in collimation system positive terminal circuit. . . . .	0.005	-	M $\Omega$

**RECOMMENDED OPERATING VALUES**

All voltages are shown with respect to the reference terminal of the collimation system unless otherwise specified.

<b>Screen Voltage.</b> . . . . .	10000	V
<b>Backplate Voltage<sup>d</sup>.</b> . . . . .	2	V
<b>Collimation System<sup>a</sup></b>		
Positive-terminal voltage . . . . .	265	V
Negative-terminal voltage . . . . .	-55	V
Reference terminal. . . . .	. . . . .	grounded
<b>Writing-Grid-No.3 Voltage</b> . . . . .	-2325 to -1975	V
Each gun <sup>e</sup>		
<b>Writing-Grid-No.1 Voltage</b> . . . . .	(c, f)	V
Each gun		
<b>Writing-Gun Cathode Voltage</b> . . . . .	-2400	V
<b>Magnetic Shield Voltage</b> . . . . .	0	V
<b>Average Deflecting Plate Voltage<sup>g</sup></b> . . . . .	100	V
<b>Circuit Values</b>		
Grid-No.1 circuit resistance (Either gun). Impedance in any deflecting electrode circuit <sup>h</sup> . . . . .	0.01 max	M $\Omega$
Backplate-circuit resistance. . . . .	0.005 max	M $\Omega$
Series current-limiting resistor:		
Unbypassed, in screen circuit . . . . .	1	M $\Omega$
Unbypassed, in collimation system positive terminal circuit. . . . .	0.005	M $\Omega$



## CHARACTERISTICS

	Min	Typ	Max	
Useful Viewing Diameter . . . . .	4	-	-	in
Brightness (Luminance) <sup>j</sup> . . . . .	-	2500	-	fL
Viewing Duration <sup>k</sup> . . . . .	15	-	-	s
Erase Time <sup>m</sup> . . . . .	-	28	-	ms
Resolution <sup>n</sup> . . . . .	70	-	-	lines/in
Undelected Spot Position . . . . .	-	-	(p)	mm
<b>Deflection Factors</b>				
DJ1 & DJ2 . . . . .	82	-	100	V/in
DJ3 & DJ4 . . . . .	82	-	100	V/in

- <sup>a</sup> The collimation system includes a passive internal network which provides the proper voltages for all viewing gun electrodes; except screen, backplate and heater; as well as grids No.2 and 4 of the writing gun.
- <sup>b</sup> Voltages are shown with respect to cathode of writing gun.
- <sup>c</sup> The writing-gun grid No.1 should never be more positive than necessary to write the display to saturated brightness for a given scanning and drive condition. In no case should the writing-gun grid No.1 voltage have a value greater than zero with respect to the writing-gun cathode.
- <sup>d</sup> The backplate should be maintained at 2 volts between erasing pulses when dynamic erasure is employed.
- <sup>e</sup> Adjusted for the smallest, most circular spot.
- <sup>f</sup> The bias-voltage value for writing-beam cutoff is between -60 and -100 volts with respect to writing-gun cathode.
- <sup>g</sup> With respect to the reference terminal of the collimation system for each pair of deflecting electrodes.
- <sup>h</sup> Recommended value for minimum distortion because of viewing-beam collection by the deflecting plates. Where strict display accuracy and display uniformity are not required, the impedance value for any deflecting-electrode circuit may be as high as 0.1 megohm maximum. For optimum performance, it is recommended that the deflecting-electrode-circuit impedances be approximately equal.
- <sup>j</sup> Brightness (Luminance) is measured after the entire display is written to saturated brightness, the writing gun has been turned off, and with no erasing pulse applied.
- <sup>k</sup> The time required for any 0.5-inch-diameter area of the 4-inch-diameter viewing area to rise spontaneously (with no writing or erasing) from zero brightness (viewing-beam visual cutoff) to 10% of saturated brightness.
- <sup>m</sup> With the display at saturated brightness, a series of rectangular pulses 5 milliseconds in width and at a repetition frequency of 2 p/s is applied to the backplate. The number of pulses required to just erase completely the center of the display is noted. This number is multiplied by 5 milliseconds to obtain the erase time. The amplitude of the erase pulses is adjusted to obtain the minimum erase time.
- <sup>n</sup> Measured by the "shrinking" raster method under conditions of continuous writing and erasing, with erase pulses of 60 microseconds width and a repetition frequency of 300 p/s. The amplitude of the erase pulses is adjusted to provide 3.5-second erasure and grid No.1 is adjusted to provide 1000 footlamberts brightness of the just "shrunk" raster.
- <sup>p</sup> The undeflected spot position must fall within a square having a 15 millimeter side (maximum) centered on the tube face and parallel to a trace produced by one set of deflecting plates.



## Performance Data

*Writing Ability and Writing Uniformity* Characteristics are measured singly for both guns. A 3.5" x 3.5" raster is centered on the tube face. Vertical scanning is accomplished by an interrupted linear sawtooth waveform having a scan time of 625 microseconds and a prf of 500 p/s. Horizontal scanning is provided by a triangular waveform having a scan rate of 3.5 inches per second.

*Writing Ability.* The writing-gun grid No.1 of the gun under test is driven above cutoff during the vertical scan time by white noise, of approximately 5 megacycle bandwidth, having a zero-to-peak amplitude of approximately 35 volts. The display brightness under these conditions shall be at least 20% of saturated brightness.

*Writing Uniformity.* This characteristic is determined under the same conditions as specified above except that the rms amplitude of the white noise is adjusted to produce brightness of 40% of saturated brightness at the dimmest area in the display. The measured brightness at the brightest area of the display shall be not more than 60% of the saturated brightness.

## Environmental Tests

The 7268B is designed to withstand the following operational and non-operational environmental tests.

### Operational Tests

**Sinusoidal Vibration:** This test consists of tube vibration in each of three orthogonal axes. One of these axes is in the plane passing through the major axis of the tube and the center of the tube-base key. The tube is mounted so that its major axis is parallel to the plane of the earth. A total of 6 cycles of swept sinusoidal vibration, from 10 to 500 and back to 10 cycles per second, is performed. The duration of a sweep cycle is 15 minutes. The frequencies of any resonant points are noted. The sinusoidal vibration schedule is shown below.

Double Amplitude inches	Peak Acceleration g's	Sweep Frequency c/s	Sweep Cycle Duration minutes
0.27	-	10 to 20	} 15
-	4	20 to 46	
-	2	46 to 500	
-	2	500 to 46	
-	4	46 to 20	
0.27	-	20 to 10	



**Vibration at Resonance.** This test consists of tube vibration at the resonant point or points determined in *Sinusoidal Vibration* for a period of 30 minutes. If more than one resonant point is noted for a given axis, the tube is vibrated for a total of 30 minutes at that resonant point in each axis most likely to produce tube failure. If no resonant points are determined in *Sinusoidal Vibration*, the tube is vibrated for 60 minutes at a frequency of 55 cycles per second.

**Low Pressure-High Temperature.** This test consists of tube storage for a period of not less than one hour at a temperature of  $+100^{\circ}\text{C}$ . At the termination of this storage period, the tube is operated with the values shown under *Recommended Operating Values* applied and at a pressure equivalent to an altitude of 32,000 feet. The temperature is then reduced to  $+53^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The tube is stored at this temperature for 1 hour and then is operated with normal voltages applied at a pressure equivalent to an altitude of 60,000 feet.

**Low Temperature.** This test consists of the tube being maintained at a temperature of  $-65^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 48 hours. At the end of this period and while the tube is still at  $-65^{\circ}\text{C}$ , the tube is operated with recommended voltages applied for 15 minutes.

#### Non-Operational Tests

**Temperature Cycling.** This test consists of tube storage for a period of not less than 2 hours at a temperature of  $-65^{\circ}\text{C}$  followed within 5 minutes by storage for a period of 2 hours at a temperature of  $+100^{\circ}\text{C}$ . A minimum of five consecutive cycles are performed.

**High Pressure.** This test consists of tube exposure to an absolute pressure of 45 pounds per square inch for a period of at least 60 seconds. This pressure shall be attained within 60 seconds.

**Torque.** This test consists of the application of a torque of 40 inch-pounds between the integral magnetic shield and the tube base.

**Salt Spray.** This test consists of tube exposure to a fine spray from a salt solution for a period of 48 hours. The ambient temperature is maintained at approximately  $35^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

#### OPERATING PROCEDURE

The following steps should be followed when the 7268B is first placed in operation. Refer to the precautions shown under *Operating Considerations* in the publication ICE-277 "RCA Display-Storage Tubes". Note that all electrode voltages are referred to the reference terminal of the collimation system unless otherwise specified.

1. **Viewing Gun** — Ground the collimation system reference terminal and magnetic shield. Apply power to the heater of the



viewing gun and allow 60 seconds for the cathode to reach normal operating temperature. Next apply the following voltages, in the indicated order: +2 volts to the backplate, -55 volts to the collimation system negative terminal, and +265 volts to the collimation system positive terminal (be sure a minimum resistance of 5000 ohms is in this circuit). Then increase screen voltage slowly from 0 to 10,000 volts (be sure a minimum resistance of 1 megohm is in the screen circuit). Next apply dynamic erasing pulses to the backplate.

The storage property of the tube can be observed by setting the amplitude of the dynamic erasing pulses at +8 volts for several seconds and by then reducing it to zero volts. As the erasing pulse amplitude is reduced the screen should go dark. The 7268B is now storing an overall "black picture" and stays in this condition until the screen begins to brighten as a result of the storage grid being gradually discharged by positive ions landing on it.

2. *Writing Gun* — Apply power to the heater of the writing gun and allow 60 seconds for the cathode to reach normal operating temperature. Then, with reference to the typical operating values shown in the tabulated data under *Recommended Operating Values*, set the grid-No.1 voltage to cutoff, and apply dc voltages to the electrodes of the writing gun. With the screen made dark by the charging method described under (1), the grid-No.1 bias is reduced until the writing beam is seen as a spot on the screen. If the beam is caused to move, either by centering adjustment or by application of deflection voltage, it should leave a bright trace. After an area has been written to full brightness, the writing-beam spot may be seen as a slightly brighter spot on the bright background. Writing-beam focus can then be optimized by adjusting the grid-No.3 voltage.
3. *Final Display Adjustments* — The dc bias and the video-signal amplitude applied to grid No.1 or cathode of the writing gun should be adjusted to set the black level and the highlight level in the display. These adjustments depend on the scanning rate used. Resolution decreases with increasing writing-gun beam current. Excessive writing-gun beam current will produce screen saturation and any further beam-current increase will not produce additional highlight brightness and may also decrease half-tone rendition. It is recommended that the writing-beam current always be adjusted to a minimum value to produce the best display without saturation of highlight brightness. The dynamic erasing-pulse amplitude and duty cycle should be adjusted in accordance with the information contained in LCE-277.

The following operating precautions must be followed to protect the 7268B from inadvertent damage —

1. Do not exceed maximum ratings.
2. Be sure to include the screen resistor.



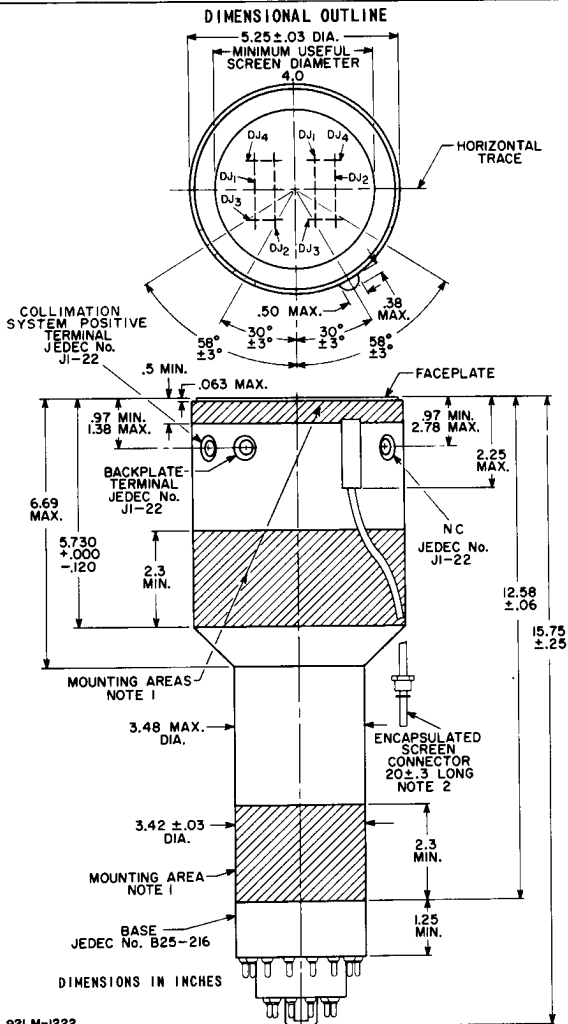
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3. Be sure to include the collimation system positive terminal resistor.
4. Do not apply excessive writing-beam current density.
5. Protect against scanning failure.
6. Protect against loss of bias.
7. Apply voltages to tube in correct order.
8. Never write unless viewing beam is on.







- Note 1: The indicated areas are recommended for mounting purposes.  
 Note 2: Amp Part No. AMP 832 692-0; manufactured by Aircraft Marine Products, Inc., Harrisburg, Pa., or equivalent.

