RCA-6074 is a cold-cathode, glow-discharge tube of the miniature type having very stable characteristics. It is intended for voltage-regulator applications critical as to excessive shock and vibration.

**GENERAL DATA**

Cathode ........................................... Cold
Maximum Instantaneous Impact Acceleration® ................................ 900g
Maximum Vibrational Acceleration for Extended Periods® .......... 2.5g

**Mechanical:**

Mounting Position ................................ Any
Maximum Overall Length .................................. 2-5/8"
Maximum Seated Length .................................. 2-3/8"
Length from Base Seat to Bulb Top (Excluding tip) ................. 2" ± 3/32"
Maximum Diameter ........................................ 3/4"
Bulb ...................................................... T-5-1/2
Base .................................................... Small-Button Miniature 7-Pin (JETEC No. E7-1)

**Maximum Ratings, Absolute Values:**

AVERAGE STARTING CURRENT® .................................. 75 max. ma
DC CATHODE CURRENT ....................................... \[30 \text{ max. ma} \quad 5 \text{ min. ma}\]
AMBENT TEMPERATURE RANGE .................................. -55 to +90 °C
FREQUENCY .................................................. 0 max. cps

**Characteristics Range Values for Equipment Design:**

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**Circuit Values:**

Shunt Capacitor ........................................ – 0.1 µF
Series Resistor ......................................... See Note 1

\(^a\) Forces in any direction as applied by the NRL Standard High-Impact Shock Machine for Electronic Devices or its equivalent.

\(^b\) Vibrational forces in any direction at 25 cycles per second for a period not exceeding 96 hours.

\(^\text{Note 1}\) Averaged over starting period not exceeding 10 seconds. When equipment utilizing the 6074 is "turned on", a starting current in excess of the average operating current is permissible as indicated under Maximum Ratings. When the tube is subjected to such high starting currents, the regulated...
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Voltage may require up to 20 minutes to drop to its normal operating value. This performance is characteristic of voltage-regulator tubes of the glow-discharge type. Similarly, the regulation is affected by changes in current within the operating current range. For example, the regulation of a tube operated for a protracted period at 5 milliamperes and then changed to 25 milliamperes, may be somewhat different from the value that will be obtained after a long period of operation at 25 milliamperes. Likewise, the regulation may change somewhat after a long idle period.

* Not less than indicated supply voltage should be provided to insure "starting" throughout tube life.

@ Maximum individual tube value during life.

* Minimum individual tube value during life.

Note 1: A series resistor must always be used with the 6074. The resistance value must be chosen so that the maximum current rating (30 ma) of the 6074 is not exceeded at the highest anode-supply voltage employed, and so that the minimum current rating (5 ma) is always exceeded at the lowest anode-supply voltage.

**DIMENSIONAL OUTLINE**

**SOCKET CONNECTIONS**

Bottom View

**SMALL-BUTTON MINIATURE 7-PIN BASE**

* measured from base seat to bulb-top line as determined by ring gauge of 7/16" I.D.

**5BO**

PIN 1 - ANODE
PIN 2 - CATHODE
PIN 3 - INTERNAL CON.
   DO NOT USE
PIN 4 - CATHODE
PIN 5 - ANODE
PIN 6 - INTERNAL CON.
   DO NOT USE
PIN 7 - CATHODE