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Radiant Heaters

The RAYMAX[®] Family

Watlow's diverse RAYMAX[®] heater line allows you to solve virtually any application that requires radiant heat. Our capabilities cover a wide range of needs, from contaminationresistant surfaces, to fast responding high temperature panels, to replaceable tubular elements.

Applying radiant heaters can be complicated. Watlow's engineering staff has the level of training and expertise required to help meet your application requirements, providing a high degree of technical support such as conducting testing for your application at our facility, calculating your watt density and temperature requirements, and recommending system components such as sensors and controllers. With our experience in a wide range of industries, chances are Watlow has already helped someone handle a radiant heating application like yours.

Features and Benefits

Variety of styles

• Matches the ideal temperature and watt density requirements of your application

Watlow engineering and application support

• Helps projects run smoothly

Custom designs

• Can be quickly adapted for particular needs such as special wattage zoning

Watlow sensors and controllers are completely compatible with RAYMAX heaters

• Offers a single source thermal system that is reliable and designed just for your application



Applications

- Thermoforming
- Food warming
- Paint and epoxy curing
- Heat treating
- High temperature furnaces
- Tempering and annealing processes



Caution: Fire Hazard

Radiant heaters must not be operated in the presence of flammable vapors, gases or combustible materials without proper ventilation and safety precautions. Radiant heaters must be properly wired and controlled to comply with all applicable electrical codes.

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Panel Variations





Zoning



This design may be required where mounting space is limited, for example, when converting existing equipment or designs to radiant panels.

Available options may vary from the standard units when you specify a low profile design. Consult Watlow for further information.

Available with RAYMAX 1010, 1120, 1220 and 2030.

Watt densities can be varied across the entire width of RAYMAX heaters. If desired, each zone can have an individually controlled power supply.

Zoning can be very valuable when part of the product requires more heat, or when you must compensate for heat losses at the edges. By separately turning off part of the heated width, you can adjust for various widths of material.

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Mounting Accessories

Application note: Allow for some thermal expansion of the heater case during operation. An expansion of up to one percent can occur when the case reaches its normal maximum limit of 1100°F (595°C). If your equipment has mounting screws to connect to the slots in the mounting legs, allow for a small amount of extra length. If you are using mounting holes to interface with the mounting studs on the back of the RAYMAX case, make sure your holes are oversized. Also, use washers and avoid overtightening.



Mounting Legs



Standard ¼-20 X 1 ½ inch (M6-1 X 40) steel studs are welded to the case. For best support, studs should be approximately located on 12 inch centers. Consult Watlow for exact locations on specific heaters.

Available with RAYMAX 1010, 1120, 1220, 1330, and 2030.

Radiant Heaters Mounting legs are extensions of the

steel end caps with mounting slots for bolting directly to field support members. There is no extra charge for legs; they can be supplied in half inch increment from 0.5 inch (12.5 mm) to three inches (76 mm). No slots are provided in legs less than one inch (25 mm) long.

For panels over 24 inches (610 mm) long, mounting studs are recommended for the best panel support.

Available with RAYMAX 1120, 1220, and 2030.

To protect electrical connections, a standard NEMA octagon terminal box is available. The standard size is 3 % X 3 % X 1 ½ inches (90.5 X 90.5 X 38.1 mm) with knockouts for ½ inch (12.5 mm) conduit. Other NEMA sizes are also available.

Care should be taken to use lead wire capable of withstanding the ambient temperatures.

Available with RAYMAX 1010, 1120, 1220, 1330, and 2030.

Custom designed to your specific requirements, a steel raceway provides electrical and physical protection for all terminal connections. This can be particularly useful for multi-zone panels.

Available with RAYMAX 1010, 1120, 1220, 1330, and 2030.

Terminal Accessories

Special Terminal Locations

If the standard terminal locations shown will not meet your needs special locations can be designed.

Available with RAYMAX 1010, 1120, 1220, 1330, and 2030.



Wiring Raceway



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Temperature Control





A thermowell allows you to use a thermocouple with a bayonet fitting to monitor heater temperature. The thermowell is located on the back of the panel to allow easy access for thermocouple replacement. Spring tension holds the tip of the thermocouple in contact for close control of the heater temperature. Thermocouple not included.

Available with RAYMAX 1010, 1120, and 1330.

Thermocouple Clamps



A thermocouple mounting clamp can be provided on the end of the heater case. The clamp is suitable for use with ½ inch (3.175 mm) and ½ inch (6.35 mm) O.D. sheath thermocouples, which should be bent 90° so that the sensing tip is just above and lightly touching the hot face at an element location.

Available with RAYMAX 1220, 1525 (% only) , 1626 (% only) and 2030.

Welded Thermocouple



Thermocouple Pocket

A thermocouple junction is welded to the emitting surface to provide optimum temperature sensing accuracy and responsiveness. This option permits the actual radiating face temperature to be precisely monitored and controlled. The standard length of the thermocouple wire is 12 inches (304.8 mm).

Available with RAYMAX 1010, 1120, and 1330.

A thermocouple pocket is welded to the emitting surface. The pocket accepts a 0.063 inch (1.6 mm) diameter thermocouple (not included). This option provides accurate temperature sensing and easy thermocouple replacement.

Available with RAYMAX 1010, 1120, and 1330.



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Radiant Heaters

RAYMAX® 1220 and 2030

Easy to install and capable of high surface temperatures, the RAYMAX® 1220 and 2030 are ideal for many process heating applications requiring "hot face" temperatures above 1000°F (540°C).

Each unit consists of a ceramic fiber heater mounted in a 2.5 inch (64 mm) deep sheet metal case that provides thermal insulation. The case includes post terminals for electrical connections and provides a mounting system that can be used with virtually any flat ceramic fiber unit, whether it is a stock, standard or custom size. Since any of the flat unit heating element configurations can be used-exposed sinuated, embedded coil or foil elementswatt density and temperature capabilities can be tailored to meet a specific radiant application.

Performance Capabilities

- RAYMAX 2030 (uses sinuated or coil elements): temperatures up to 2000°F (1095°C); watt densities up to 30 W/in² (4.7 W/cm²)
- RAYMAX 1220 (uses an etched foil element): temperatures up to 1200°F (650°C); watt densities up to 20 W/in² (3 W/cm²)

Features and Benefits

- Lightweight, low mass design allows fast response to controls.
- **High efficiency** results from high degree of self insulation with 2.5 inch (64 mm) thick mounting case.
- Adaptable with any stock or standard sized flat ceramic fiber units.
- Thermocouple mounting clamp makes process system control easier.
- Aluminized steel case can handle temperatures up to 1100°F (595°C). Other case materials are available, depending on the expected exposure of the case to other operating conditions.
- **Special hot face** heating patterns can be designed specifically for an application using an etched foil RAYMAX 1220.

Applications

- Conveyor furnaces
- High temperature vessel heating
- Tempering and annealing processes for glass, wire, ceramics and metals
- Coating, curing and drying of inks, paints, plastics and films



RAYMAX 1220 and 2030

Applications and **Technical Data**

Specifications

Weight: Under 6.5 lbs/ft² (31.75 kg/m²)

- Voltage and Wattage: Ratings are based on the ceramic fiber heater module which is mounted in the case. Up to 600V~(ac) is possible.
- Terminals: Terminals are ¹/₄-20 threaded studs. Two terminals plus ground for single-phase, and three terminals plus ground for three-phase, are standard. These will be located on the center line of the length unless otherwise specified. Terminals can be located anywhere along lines A and B (see illustration to the right), but not closer than two inches (51 mm) to the case ends.
- Mounting Legs: One inch (25 mm) standard; three inches (76 mm) optional from stock. For made-toorder units, mounting legs can be supplied in any incremental length L from ½ inch (13 mm) to three inches (76 mm). No slots are provided in legs less than one inch long.

Heater Dimensions		Min.	N	lax.	Increments		
Width: inches (mm)	2	(51)	30	(760)	Any		
Length: inches (mm)	6	(152)	52	(1320)	Any		

Note: Units will be ¼ inch (6 mm) wider than the nominal size of the ceramic fiber heater. Overall length is equal to heater length, but thermocouple clamp not included in length.



Application Hints

A thermocouple mounting clamp will be provided on one end of the case. with holes on both ends for alternate locations. The standard clamp can be used with 1/2 inch (3 mm) O.D. sheath thermocouples. The standard clamp is 3/6 inch (4.8 mm) high, but can be removed for flush mounting*.

½ inch (3 mm) is standard. 3/16 inch (4.8 mm) and ¼ inch (6 mm) are available upon request.

The maximum recommended surface temperature of the heater is based on the rating of the ceramic fiber heater module. This can vary from 2000°F (1095°C) at lower watt densities, to higher watt densities at reduced surface temperatures. Note that maximum wattages cannot be achieved at the maximum temperatures simultaneously.

Several options are available with RAYMAX 1220 and 2030 models. From the following list, the first four are illustrated on pages 204 to 205. Consult Watlow for more information on any of the options.

- Single-phase non-standard location power terminals
- Terminal box

- Zonina
- Mounting studs and legs
- Three-phase construction
- Thermocouple mounting tubes
- Alternate case materials



See ceramic fiber heaters, pages 155 and 158, for a complete listing of all the flat panel sizes available.

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Radiant Heaters

F.O.B.: Columbia, Missouri

RAYMAX 1220

Ceramic Fiber, with Foil Element

Panel Overall Size ± ¼₀ in (1.5mm)		Panel Nominal Heated Size in (mm)				Watt Density		Approx. Net Wt.			Code
Width	Length ^①	Width	Length	Volts	Watts	W/in ²	(W/cm ²)	lbs	(kg)	Availability	No.
4 ¼ (110)	12 (305)	4 (102)	12 (305)	120	950	19.8	(3.1)	2.8	(1.3)	Stock	VP504A12F
4 ¼ (110)	24 (610)	4 (102)	24 (610)	240	1900	19.8	(3.1)	4.8	(2.2)	Stock	VP504A24F
8 ¼ (210)	12 (305)	8 (200)	12 (305)	240	1900	19.8	(3.1)	4.5	(2.1)	Stock	VP508A12F
8 ¼ (210)	24 (610)	8 (200)	24 (610)	240	3800	19.8	(3.1)	7.7	(3.5)	Standard	VP508A24F

All units in this table are suitable for use up to 1200°F (650°C) maximum surface temperature. ① Thermocouple clasp is not included in the length.

RAYMAX 2030

Ceramic Fiber, with Sinuated Element

No H N in	ominal leated Width (mm)	Nominal Heated Length in (mm)		Volts	Watts	Watt I W/in²	Watt Density W/in ² (W/cm ²)		et it. (kg)	Availability	Code No.
4	(102)	6	(152)	60	500	20.8	(3.2)	1.9	(0.9)	Standard	VP504A06T
		12	(305)	120	1050	21.9	(3.4)	3.1	(1.4)	Stock	VP504A12T
		18	(460)	120	1500	20.8	(3.2)	4.1	(1.9)	Standard	VP504A18T
		24	(610)	240	2100	21.9	(3.4)	5.2	(2.4)	Stock	VP504A24T
		30	(760)	240	2500	20.8	(3.2)	6.3	(2.9)	Standard	VP504A30T
		36	(915)	240	3000	20.8	(3.2)	7.4	(3.3)	Standard	VP504A36T
6	(152)	6	(152)	60	650	18.1	(2.8)	2.4	(1.1)	Standard	VP506A06T
		12	(305)	120	1250	17.4	(2.7)	4.1	(1.9)	Standard	VP506A12T
		18	(460)	240	2000	18.5	(2.9)	5.8	(2.6)	Standard	VP506A18T
		24	(610)	120 [®] or 240 [®]	2500	17.4	(2.7)	7.4	(3.3)	Assy. Stock [®]	VP506A24T ²
		30	(760)	240	3400	18.9	(2.9)	9.0	(4.1)	Standard	VP506A30T
		36	(915)	240	4000	18.5	(2.9)	10.6	(4.8)	Standard	VP506A36T
8	(205)	12	(305)	120	1800	18.8	(2.9)	4.7	(2.4)	Stock	VP508A12T
		18	(460)	240	3000	20.8	(3.2)	7.4	(3.3)	Stock	VP508A18U
		24	(610)	240	3600	18.8	(2.9)	9.5	(4.3)	Stock	VP508A24T
		30	(760)	240	5000	20.8	(3.2)	11.7	(5.3)	Stock	VP508A30T
		36	(915)	240	6000	20.8	(3.2)	13.9	(6.3)	Standard	VP508A36T
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All units in this table are suitable for use up to 1800°F (982°C) maximum surface temperature.

② Stocked ceramic fiber heaters can be used to make this RAYMAX 2030 heater panel. These are **assembly stock** units. For those units rated at 120V~(ac) (code numbers ending in ...T), an alternate 240V~(ac) unit (code numbers ending in ...U) is available as a standard design. Flat heaters on page 158 can be used in these RAYMAX cases.

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No H V	Nominal Nominal Heated Heated Width Length				Watt I	Densitv	Apı N W	orox et /t.		Code	
in	(mm)	in	(mm)	Volts	Watts	W/in ²	(W/cm ²)	lbs	(kg)	Availability	No.
10	(255)	12	(305)	120	2000	16.7	(2.6)	6.3	(2.9)	Standard	VP510A12T
		18	(460)	240	3600	20.0	(3.1)	9.0	(4.1)	Standard	VP510A18T
		24	(610)	240 [@]	4500	17.9	(2.8)	11.7	(5.3)	Assy. Stock [®]	VP510A24T ²
		30	(760)	240	6000	20.0	(3.1)	14.4	(6.5)	Standard	VP510A30T
		36	(915)	240	7000	19.4	(3.0)	17.1	(7.8)	Standard	VP510A36T
12	(305)	12	(305)	120 [®] or 240 [®]	2500	17.4	(2.7)	7.4	(3.3)	Assy. Stock [®]	VP512A12T ²
		18	(460)	240	4000	18.5	(2.9)	10.6	(4.8)	Standard	VP512A18T
		24	(610)	240 [@]	6000	20.8	(3.2)	13.9	(6.3)	Assy. Stock [®]	VP512A24T ²
		30	(760)	240	7200	20.0	(3.1)	17.1	(7.8)	Standard	VP512A30T
		36	(915)	240	8400	19.4	(3.0)	20.3	(9.2)	Standard	VP512A36T
14	(355)	12	(305)	240	3500	20.8	(3.2)	8.5	(3.8)	Stock	VP514A12T
		18	(460)	240	4900	19.4	(3.0)	12.2	(5.5)	Standard	VP514A18T
		24	(610)	240	7000	20.8	(3.2)	16.0	(7.3)	Standard	VP514A24T
		30	(760)	240	8400	20.0	(3.1)	19.8	(9.0)	Standard	VP514A30T
		36	(915)	240/2403	9800	19.4	(3.0)	23.6	(10.7)	Standard	VP514A36T
16	(405)	12	(305)	240	3600	18.8	(2.9)	9.5	(4.3)	Standard	VP516A12T
		18	(460)	240	5700	19.8	(3.1)	13.9	(6.3)	Standard	VP516A18T
		24	(610)	240	7100	18.5	(2.9)	18.2	(8.2)	Standard	VP516A24T
		30	(760)	240/2403	9600	20.0	(3.1)	22.5	(10.2)	Standard	VP516A30T
		36	(915)	240/240 ³	11500	20.0	(3.1)	26.8	(12.2)	Standard	VP516A36T

All units in this table are suitable for use up to 1800°F (982°C) maximum surface temperature.

Stocked ceramic fiber heaters can be used to make this RAYMAX 2030 heater panel. These are **assembly stock** units. For those units rated at 120V~(ac) (code numbers ending in ...U) unit is available as a standard design.
Dual element unit. Four power terminals provided.

How to Order

To order a **stock, assembly stock,** or **standard** heater, specify:

- RAYMAX 1220 or 2030
- Quantity
- Watlow code number
- Mounting studs, if desired

Note: One-inch mounting legs are provided. Three-inch legs are available from stock upon request.

If stock or standard units do not meet application needs, Watlow can manufacture radiant heaters to fit special requirements. For **made-to-order** units, please specify, in addition to previous information:

- Heated width and length, and overall size
- Total wattage
- Voltage, and phases or zones required
- Load temperature expectations
- Mounting studs, if desired
- Mounting legs and leg height, if desired (one inch is provided unless otherwise specified)

- Location of terminals
- Terminal box, if desired
- Thermowell (specify size and location if standard end clamp is not sufficient)

Availability

Stock: Shipment in one to two days

Assembly Stock: Shipment in two weeks

Standard: Shipment in three to four weeks

Made-to-Order: Consult Watlow