

# Installation Instructions

## DCNHF400 SERIES

Part Number: DCNHF400MH12-F, DCNHF400MH24-F



### Description

The DCNHF400 Series high-voltage DC contactor is designed for electric vehicle and industrial applications, including battery power supply, charging pile, motor control, circuit insulation, circuit protection, and safety devices. Rated for 400A continuous current and up to 1800V DC, the contactor delivers dependable high voltage switching performance for demanding systems. Its compact, corrosion-resistant resin housing minimizes operational noise and ensures dependable performance in harsh environments.

Sealed, non-polarized contacts prevent electrical arc leakage and support a variety of electrical system configurations. Its double-coil economizer minimizes power consumption once the contactor is engaged, reducing heat generation and improving overall efficiency and reliability.

With bottom-mount installation with no orientation restrictions, internal thread terminals, and 12V or 24V coil voltage options, the DCNHF400 Series contactor relay provides robust, flexible performance across a wide range of EV and industrial applications.

### Web Resources

Download 2D print, installation guide and technical resources at: [littelfuse.com/DCNHF400](http://littelfuse.com/DCNHF400)

### Ordering Information

PART NUMBER	RATED CURRENT(A)	POLARIZED	AUX CONTACT	COIL VOLTAGE(V DC)	MOUNTING	POWER CONNECTION
DCNHF400MH12-F	400	No	Yes	12	Bottom	Internal Thread
DCNHF400MH24-F	400	No	Yes	24	Bottom	Internal Thread

### Installation

Assemble the contactor in the following sequence:

**Step 1. Prepare the Work Area** - It is always advisable when working with electricity to take caution and turn off any power unit you may encounter while installing any electrical device.

**Step 2. Mount the Contactor** - Mount the contactor using the recommended fasteners.

**Step 3. Prepare the Wiring and Connect the Control Wires** - Strip all the wires that will be connected to the control coil and the contactor terminations with a wire stripper. Remove approximately 1/2 inch of the wire's insulation to expose the bare copper wire. Connect the control wires to the coil solenoid first, red connect +(positive) and black connect -(negative) wires on contactor. When installing the wires, be sure that a good electrical connection is made by using an appropriate electrical connector. Do not allow any loose strands to short against any equipment and cause electrical damage.

**Step 4. Connecting the Switched Power Wires**  
 Verify the switched contacts are open, no continuity between terminals "A1" and "A2". Using the hardware that is supplied with the contactor or the recommended fasteners, connect the Line power feed wire to the contactor terminal marked "A1". Connect the Load power output wire to the contactor terminal marked "A2". As with the control wires, be sure that a good electrical connection is made. Do not allow any loose strands to short against any equipment and cause electrical damage.


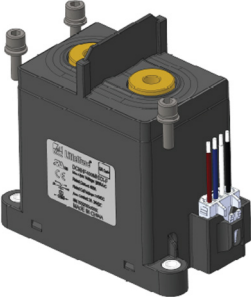
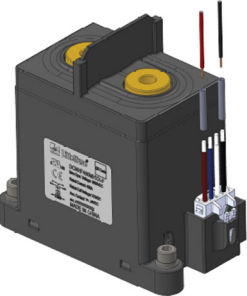
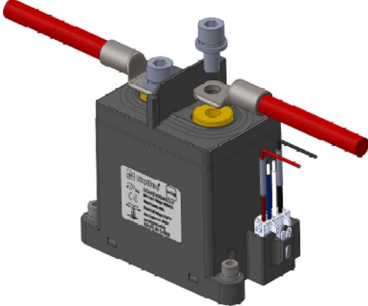
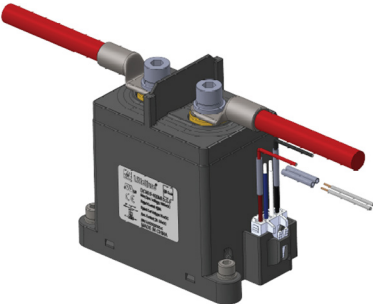
**Step 5. Connecting the Switched Auxiliary Contact Wires** - Connect the low power Line feed wire to the white wire and the low power Load output wire to the blue wire. When installing the wires, be sure that a good electrical connection is made. Do not allow any loose strands to short against any equipment and cause electrical damage.

**Step by step images shown in Figure 2 on page 2.**

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