

# ALQ Isolated DC/DC Converter Module

Industry Standard Quarter Brick : 36~75V Input, 1.2V, 1.5V, 1.8V, 2.5V and 3.3V single Output



Industry Standard Quarter Brick : 2.28"X 1.45" X 0.38"

### Options

- Choice of positive logic or negative logic for CNT function
- Choice of short pins or long pins

### Features

- Delivers up to 40A output current
- Industry Standard Quarter Brick
  57.9mm X 36.8mm X 9.60mm
  (2.28"X 1.45" X 0.38")
- Basic isolation
- Ultra High efficiency
- Improved thermal performance: 28A at 55°C at 1ms-1 (200LFM) for 3.3Vo
- High power density
- Low output noise
- Industry standard pinout
- 2:1 wide input voltage of 36-75V
- CNT function
- Remote sense
- Trim function: +10%/-20%
- Input under-voltage lockout
- Output over-current protection
- Output over-voltage protection
- Over-temperature protection

### Description

The ALQ series is a new open frame DC-DC converter for optimum efficiency and power density. The ALQ series provide up to 40A output current in an industry standard quarter brick, which makes it an ideal choice for small space, high current and low voltage applications. The ALQ series uses an industry standard quarter brick: 57.9mm X 36.8mm X 9.60mm (2.28"x1.45"x0.38") and standard pinout configuration, provides CNT and trim functions. ALQ series can provide 3.3V@35A, 2.5V@40A, 1.8V@40A, 1.5V@40A and 1.2V@40A single output, outputs are isolated from inputs. The series can achieve ultra high efficiency, for most applications a heat sink is not required.

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## **Module Numbering**

ALQ	- 35	$\mathbf{F}$	<b>48</b>	Ν	- 7
1 2	3		5	6	7

Explanation:

1-Low profile (open frame, No case-isolated)

2-Quarter Brick

3-Output current: 35=35Amps

4-Output voltage: F=3.3V; G=2.5V; Y=1.8V; M=1.5V; K=1.2V

5—Input voltage: 48=36~75V

6-CNT logic: N=Negative logic, Omit for positive logic

7—Pin length: Omit for 4.8 mm $\pm$ 0.5mm (0.189in. $\pm$ 0.02in.) 6=3.80mm $\pm$ 0.25mm(0.150in. $\pm$ 0.010in.) 8=2.80mm $\pm$ 0.25mm(0.110in. $\pm$ 0.010in.) 7=5.8 mm $\pm$ 0.5mm (0.228in. $\pm$ 0.02in.)

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## **Electrical Specifications**

Unless otherwise indicated, specifications apply over all operating input voltage and temperature conditions. Standard test condition on a single unit is as following:

Tc (board):	25°C
+Vin:	48V +/ -2%
–Vin:	return pin for +Vin
CNT:	connect to -Vin
+Vout:	connect to load
–Vout:	connect to load (return)
+Sense:	connect to +Vout
-Sense:	connect to -Vout
Trim(Vadj):	Open

### **Input Specifications**

Parameter	Device	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
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Operating Input Voltage	All	VI	36	48	75	V <sub>DC</sub>
Maximum Input Current	All	I <sub>I,max</sub>	-	-	4.5	А
$(V_1 = 0 \text{ to } V_{1,max}, \text{ lo } = 10,max)$						
Input Reflected-ripple Current	All	l <sub>l</sub>	-	-	20	mAp-p
(5Hz to 20MHz: 12uH source						
impedance: T <sub>A</sub> = 25 °C.)						
Supply voltage rejection	All	-	50	-	-	dB
(1kHz)						

CAUTION: This power module is not internally fused. An input line fuse must always be used.

### Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses in excess of the absolute maximum ratings can cause permanent damage to the device. These are absolute stress ratings only. Functional operation of the device is not implied at these or any other conditions in excess of those given in the operational sections of the IPS. Exposure to absolute maximum ratings for extended periods can adversely affect device reliability.

Parameter	Device	Symbol	Min	Тур	Мах	Unit
Input Voltage:						
Continuous:	All	VI	0	-	75	Vdc
Transient (100ms)	All	$V_{I, trans}$	0	-	100	Vdc
Operating Ambient						
Temperature	All	Та	-40	-	55	°C
(See Thermal Consideration)						
Operating Board Temperature	All	Tc	-	-	100	°C
Storage Temperature	All	T <sub>STG</sub>	-55	-	125	°C
Operating Humidity	All	-	-	-	85	%
Basic Isolation						
(Conditions: 50µA for 5 sec,						
slew rate of 1500V/10sec)						
Input-Output	All	-	-	-	1500	Vdc
Output Power	3.3V	Po,max	-	-	115.5	W
	2.5V	Po,max	-	-	100	W
	1.8V	Po,max	-	-	72	W
	1.5V	Po,max	-	-	60	W
	1.2V	Po,max	-	-	48	W



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## **Output Specifications**

Parameter	Device	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Output Ripple and Noise						
(Across $1\mu F$ @10V, X7R ceramic	3.3V	-	-	-	120	mVp-p
capacitor & 1000μF @10V LOW ESR	2.5V	-	-	-	100	mVp-p
Aluminum capacitor)	1.8V	-	-	-	100	mVp-p
	1.5V	-	-	-	100	mVp-p
	1.2V	-	-	-	80	mVp-p
External Load Capacitance	All	-	-	-	15000	μF
Output Voltage Setpoint	3.3V	V <sub>o,set</sub>	3.25	3.3	3.35	Vdc
$(V_1 = V_{1,min}$ to $V_{1,max}$ : Io =	2.5V	V <sub>o.set</sub>	2.46	2.5	2.54	Vdc
lo,max; Ta = 25 °C)	1.8V	V <sub>o,set</sub>	1.77	1.8	1.83	Vdc
	1.5V	V <sub>o,set</sub>	1.48	1.5	1.52	Vdc
	1.2V	V <sub>o,set</sub>	1.18	1.2	1.22	Vdc
Output Regulation:						
Line (V <sub>i,min</sub> to V <sub>i,max</sub> )	All	-	-	0.1	0.3	%
Load (lo = lo,min to lo,max)	All	-	-	0.2	0.5	%
Temperature (Tc = -40 °C to +100°C)	All	-	-	-	0.02	%Vo/ºC
	3.3V	lo	0	-	35	Α
	2.5V	lo	0	-	40	А
Rated Output Current	1.8V	lo	0	-	40	А
	1.5V	lo	0	-	40	А
	1.2V	lo	0	-	40	Α
	3.3V	lo	38.5	-	49	A
Output Current-limit Inception	2.5V	lo	44	-	56	Α
(Hiccup)	1.8V	lo	44	-	56	Α
	1.5V	lo	44	-	56	Α
	1.2V	lo	44		56	Α
	3.3V	-	88	90	-	%
Efficiency	2.5V	-	86.5	88.5	-	%
$(V_{I} = V_{I,nom}; I_{o,max}; T_{A} = 25^{\circ}C)$	1.8V	-	85	87	-	%
	1.5V	-	84	86	-	%
	1.2V	-	83	85	-	%

## Output Specifications (Cont)

Parameter	Device	Symbol	Min	Тур	Мах	Unit
Dynamic Response :						
$(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/10\mu s; V_I = V_{I,nom};$						
$TA = 25^{\circ}C)$						
Load Change from $L_2 = 50\%$ to						
75% of Io max 'Peak Deviation	3.3V	_	_	_	5	%Vo
Settling Time (to V )	(2.5V, 1.8V)	-	-	-	400	usec
Setting Time (to V <sub>0,nom</sub> )	(2.01 ( 1.01 )					μοσο
Load Change from $Io = 50\%$ to						
75% of Io,max :Peak Deviation	1.5V	-	-	-	6	%Vo
Settling Time (to V <sub>o,nom</sub> )	(1.2V)	-	-	-	400	μsec
Load Change from $Io = 50\%$ to					-	
25% of Io,max :Peak Deviation	3.3V	-	-	-	5	%Vo
Settling Time (to $V_{o,nom}$ )	(2.5V、1.8V)	-	-	-	400	μsec
Load Change from $I_0 = 50\%$ to						
25% of Io max : Peak Deviation	4 5) (	-	-	-	6	%\/o
Settling Time (to $V_{a nom}$ )	1.5V	-	-	-	400	70 V O
	(1.2V)					μσου
Dynamic Response. (Alg/At = $1 \text{ A}/1 \text{ ug} : \text{ V} = \text{ V}$						
$(\Delta IO/\Delta t - IA/I\mu s, v_I - v_{I,nom},$						
$IA = 25^{\circ}C$ , additional 220µF						
Load Change from $I_0 = 50\%$ to	3.3V					
75% of Io.max :Peak Deviation	(2.5V、1.8V、	-	-	-	200	mv
Settling Time (to $V_{0 \text{ nom}}$ )	1.5V)	-	-	-	400	μsec
Load Change from $Io = 50\%$ to						
75% of Io,max :Peak Deviation	1.2V	-	-	-	180	mv
Settling Time (to $V_{o,nom}$ )		-	-	-	400	μsec
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Load Change from $10 = 50\%$ to		-	_	-	200	mv
25% of Io, max .Peak Deviation	(2.3V \ 1.6V \ 1.5\/)	_	_	_	400	
Setting Time (to $v_{0,nom}$ )	1.37)					μοσυ
Load Change from $Io = 50\%$ to						
25% of Io,max :Peak Deviation	( <b>1.2V</b> )	-	-	-	180	mv
Settling Time (to V <sub>o,nom</sub> )		-	-	-	400	μsec



## Output Specifications (Cont)

Parameter	Device	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Turn-On Time	All	-	-	-	20	msec
(Io = Io,max ; Vo within 1%)						
Output Voltage Overshoot	All	-	-	-	5	%Vo
(lo = lo,max ; T <sub>A</sub> = 25°C)						
Switching Frequency	All	-		200		KHz

## Feature Specifications

Parameter	Device	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Enable pin voltage:						
Logic Low	All		-0.7	-	1.2	V
Logic High	All		3.5	-	12	V
Enable pin current:						
Logic High (leakage current	All		-	-	1.0	mA
@10V)	All		-	-	-	μA
Output Voltage Adjustment	All	-	80	-	110	%Vo
Range						
Output Over-voltage	3.3V	Vo <sub>clamp</sub>	3.75	-	5.00	V
(Hiccup)	2.5V	Vo <sub>clamp</sub>	3.00	-	3.80	V
	1.8V	Vo <sub>clamp</sub>	2.20	-	3.00	V
	1.5V	Vo <sub>clamp</sub>	1.80	-	2.50	V
	1.2V	Vo <sub>clamp</sub>	1.40	-	2.00	V
Under-voltage Lockout						
Turn-on Point	All	-	31	34	36	V
Turn-off Point	All	-	30	33	35	V
Isolation Capacitance	All	-	-	1000	-	PF
Isolation Resistance	All	-	10	-	-	MΩ
Calculated MTBF	All	-	-	2,000,	-	Hours
(lo = lo,max ; Tc = 25°C)				000		
Weight	All	-	-	-	60	g(oz.)

## **Characteristic Curves**









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#### Typical Efficiency ALQ-40K48N

### Performance Curves – Output Performance Curves





ALQ-35F48N Typical Output Over-current Curves

ALQ-40G48N Typical Output Over-current Curves





ALQ-40Y48N Typical Output Over-current Curves



ALQ-40K48N Typical Output Over-current Curves

ALQ-40M48N Typical Output Over-current Curves



### Performance Curves – Output Performance Curves



ALQ-35F48N Typical Output Ripple Voltage Room Temperature, Io = Io,max



ALQ-40G48N Typical Output Ripple Voltage Room Temperature, Io = Io,max



ALQ-40Y48N Typical Output Ripple Voltage Room Temperature, Io = Io,max



ALQ-40M48N Typical Output Ripple, Voltage Room Temperature, Io = Io,max



ALQ-40K48N Typical Output Ripple Voltage Room Temperature, Io = Io,max

### Performance Curves – Transient Response



ALQ-35F48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta lo/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40G48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40Y48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-35F48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta lo/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40G48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40Y48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 



### Performance Curves – Transient Response (Cont)



ALQ-40M48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input

 $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40K48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40M48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40K48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 0.1A/1\mu s)$ 

### Performance Curves – Transient Response(Cont)



ALQ-35F48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40G48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40Y48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-35F48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40G48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40Y48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s)$ 



### Performance Curves – Transient Response (Cont)



ALQ-40M48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input

 $(\Delta lo/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40K48N Typical Transient Response to Step Decrease in Load from 50% to 25% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s\,)$ 



ALQ-40M48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s)$ 



ALQ-40K48N Typical Transient Response to Step Increase in Load from 50% to 75% of Full Load, Room Temperature, 48Vdc Input  $(\Delta Io/\Delta t = 1A/1\mu s)$ 

## Performance Curves – Startup Characteristics

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ALQ-35F48N Typical Start-up from Power On



ALQ-40Y48N Typical Start-up from Power On



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ALQ-40G48N Typical Start-up from Power On



ALQ-40M48N Typical Start-up from Power On



## Performance Curves – Startup from CNT Control



ALQ-35F48N Typical Start-up from CNT On



ALQ-40G48N Typical Start-up from CNT On



ALQ-40Y48N Typical Start-up from CNT On



ALQ-40K48N Typical Start-up from CNT On



ALQ-40M48N Typical Start-up from CNT On

## **Feature Description**

### **CNT** Function

Two CNT logic options are available. The CNT logic, CNT voltage and the module working state are as the following Table 1.

	L	Н	OPEN
N	ON	OFF	OFF
Р	OFF	ON	ON

Table 1

N--- means "Negative Logic"

P--- means "Positive Logic"

H--- means "High Voltage", 3.5V ${\leqslant}H{\leqslant}12V$ 

ON--- means "Module is on", OFF--- means "Module is off"

Open--- means "CNT pin is left open "

Note: Normally,  $V_{CNT} \leq 12V$ .

The following Figure shows a few simple CNT circuits.



**Relay CNT** 

Simple CNT

Isolated CNT

Transistor CNT



### Remote Sense

The ALQ converter can remotely sense both lines of its output which moves the effective output voltage regulation point from the output terminals of the unit to the point of connection of the remote sense pins. This feature automatically adjusts the real output voltage of the ALQ in order to compensate for voltage drops in distribution and maintain a regulated voltage at the point of load.

When the converter is supporting loads far away, or is used with undersized cabling, significant voltage drop can occur at the load. The best defense against such drops is to locate the load close to the converter and to ensure adequately sized cabling is used. When this is not possible, the converter can compensate for a drop of up to 10%Vo, through use of the sense leads.

When used, the + Sense and - Sense leads should be connected from the converter to the point of load as shown in Figure 1, using twisted pair wire, or parallel pattern to reduce noise effect. The converter will then regulate its output voltage at the point where the leads are connected. Care should be taken not to reverse the sense leads. If reversed, the converter will trigger OVP protection .

When not used, the +Sense lead must be connected with +Vo, and -Sense with -Vo. Although the output voltage can be increased by both the remote sense and by the trim, the maximum increase for the output voltage is not the sum of both.

The maximum increase is the larger of either the remote sense or the trim.

Note that at elevated output voltages the maximum power rating of the module remains the same, and the output current capability will decrease correspondingly.



Fig. 1 Sense Connections

### Trim

The +Vo output voltage of the ALQ series can be trimmed using the trim pin provided. Applying a resistor to the trim pin through a voltage divider from the output will cause the +Vo output to increase by up to 10% or decrease by up to 20%. Trimming up by more than 10% of the nominal output may activate the OVP circuit or damage the converter. Trimming down more than 20% can cause the converter to regulate improperly. If the trim pin is not needed, it should be left open.

#### Trim up

With an external resistor connected between the TRIM and +SENSE pins, the output voltage set point increases (see Figure 2).





The following equation determines the required external-resistor value to obtain a percentage output voltage change of %.

#### For Output Voltage: 1.5V – 3.3V

$$R_{adj-up} = \frac{5.1 \times V_o \times (100 + \Delta\%)}{1.225 \times \Delta\%} - \frac{510}{\Delta\%} - 10.2(K\Omega)$$

For Output Voltage: 1.2V

$$R_{adj-up} = \frac{5.1 \times V_o \times (100 + \Delta\%)}{0.6 \times \Delta\%} - \frac{510}{\Delta\%} - 10.2(K\Omega)$$

#### Trim down

With an external resistor between the TRIM and -SENSE pins, the output voltage set point decreases (see Figure 3).





Fig.3 Trim down circuit

The following equation determines the required external-resistor value to obtain a percentage output voltage change of %.

For Output Voltage: 1.2V – 3.3V

$$R_{adj-down} = \frac{510}{\Delta\%} - 10.2(K\Omega)$$

Although the output voltage can be increased by both the remote sense and by the trim, the maximum increase for the output voltage is not the sum of both. The maximum increase is the larger of either the remote sense or the trim.

Note that at elevated output voltages the maximum power rating of the module remains the same, and the output current capability will decrease correspondingly.

### Minimum Load Requirements

There is no minimum load requirement for the ALQ series modules.

Parameter	Device	Symbol	Тур	Unit
Minimum Load	3.3V	I <sub>MIN</sub>	0	А
	2.5V	I <sub>MIN</sub>	0	А
	1.8V	I <sub>MIN</sub>	0	А
	1.5V	I <sub>MIN</sub>	0	А
	1.2V	I <sub>MIN</sub>	0	А
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### **Output Over-current Protection**

ALQ series DC/DC converters feature foldback current limiting as part of their Over-current Protection (OCP) circuits. When output current exceeds 110 to 140% of rated current, such as during a short circuit condition, the module will work on intermittent mode, also can tolerate short circuit conditions indefinitely. When the over-current condition is removed, the converter will automatically restart.

### **Output Capacitance**

High output current transient rate of change (high di/dt) loads may require high values of output capacitance to supply the instantaneous energy requirement to the load. To minimize the output voltage transient drop during this transient, low E.S.R. (equivalent series resistance) capacitors may be required, since a high E.S.R. will produce a correspondingly higher voltage drop during the current transient.

When the load is sensitive to ripple and noise, an output filter can be added to minimize the effects. A simple output filter to reduce output ripple and noise can be made by connecting a capacitor C1 across the output as shown in Figure 4. The recommended value for the output capacitor C1 is  $1000 \,\mu$  F



Fig.4 Output Ripple Filter

Extra care should be taken when long leads or traces are used to provide power to the load. Long lead lengths increase the chance for noise to appear on the lines. Under these conditions C2 can be added across the load, with a  $1 \mu$  F ceramic capacitor C3 in parallel generally as shown in Figure 5.



Fig.5 Output Ripple Filter for a Distant Load



### Decoupling

Noise on the power distribution system is not always created by the converter. High speed analog or digital loads with dynamic power demands can cause noise to cross the power inductor back onto the input lines. Noise can be reduced by decoupling the load. In most cases, connecting a  $10 \,\mu$  F tantalum or ceramic capacitor in parallel with a  $0.1 \,\mu$  F ceramic capacitor across the load will decouple it. The capacitors should be connected as close to the load as possible.

### Ground Loops

Ground loops occur when different circuits are given multiple paths to common or earth ground, as shown in Figure 6. Multiple ground points can slightly different potential and cause current flow through the circuit from one point to another. This can result in additional noise in all the circuits. To eliminate the problem, circuits should be designed with a single ground connection as shown in Figure 7.







Fig.7 Single Point Ground

### **Output Over-Voltage Protection**

The output over-voltage protection consists of circuitry that monitors the voltage on the output terminals. If the voltage on the output terminals exceeds the over voltage protection threshold, then the module will work on intermittent mode. When the over-voltage condition is removed, the converter will automatically restart.

The protection mechanism is such that the unit can continue in this condition until the fault is cleared.

### **Over-Temperature Protection**

These modules feature an over-temperature protection circuit to safeguard against thermal damage. The module will work on intermittent mode when the maximum device reference temperature is exceeded. When the over-temperature condition is removed, the converter will automatically restart.



## **Design Consideration**

### **Typical Application**



F1: Fuse\*: Use external fuse (fast blow type ) for each unit.

For 3.3V output:	<b>10A</b> (Pout=115.5W)
For 2.5V output:	<b>10A</b> (Pout=100W)
For 1.8V output:	<b>8A</b> (Pout=75W)
For 1.5V output:	<b>8A</b> (Pout=60W)
For 1.2V output:	<b>5A</b> (Pout=48W)

Cin: Recommended input capacitor

100  $\mu$  F/100V high frequency low ESR electrolytic type capacitor .

- Co1: Recommended 1 µ F /10V ceramic capacitor
- Co2: Recommended output capacitor

Recommended 1000  $\mu$  F/10V high frequency low ESR electrolytic type capacitor.

If Ta<-5  $^\circ \rm C$ : use 2 X 220  $\mu$  F tantalum capacitor parallel with a 1000  $\mu$  F/ 10V high

frequency low ESR electrolytic capacitor.

#### Note: The ALQ modules can not be used in parallel mode directly!

### Fusing

The ALQ power modules have no internal fuse. An external fuse must always be employed! To meet international safety requirements, a 250 Volt rated fuse should be used. If one of the input lines is connected to chassis ground, then the fuse must be placed in the other input line.

Standard safety agency regulations require input fusing. Recommended fuse ratings for the ALQ Series are are shown as following list.

For 3.3V output:	<b>10A</b> (Pout=115.5W)
For 2.5V output:	<b>10A</b> (Pout=100W)
For 1.8V output:	<b>8A</b> (Pout=75W)
For 1.5V output:	<b>8A</b> (Pout=60W)
For 1.2V output:	<b>5A</b> (Pout=48W)

Note: the fuse is fast blow type.

### Input Reverse Voltage Protection

Under installation and cabling conditions where reverse polarity across the input may occur, reverse polarity protection is recommended. Protection can easily be provided as shown in Figure 9. In both cases the diode used is rated for 10A/100V. Placing the diode across the inputs rather than in-line with the input offers an advantage in that the diode only conducts in a reverse polarity condition, which increases circuit efficiency and thermal performance.



Fig.9 Reverse Polarity Protection Circuit



For conditions where EMI is a concern, a different input filter can be used. Figure 10 shows a filter designed to reduce EMI effects. ALQ series can meet EN55022 CLASS A with Figure 10.





Recommended values:

C1	1uF/100V
C2,C3	0.22uF
C4	100uF/100V
C5	1uF/100V
C6,C7	3300P/2KV
C8,C9	1000P/2KV
C10	22uF/6.3V
C11	1000uF/10V
L1,L2	H5B SMB
L3	1.8mH

### Safety Consideration

For safety-agency approval of the system in which the power module is used, the power module must be installed in compliance with the spacing and separation requirements of the end-use safety agency standard, i.e., UL1950, CSA C22.2 No. 950-95, and EN60950. The ALQ series input-to-output isolation is an basic insulation. The DC/DC power module should be installed in end-use equipment, in compliance with the requirements of the ultimate application, and is intended to be supplied by an isolated secondary circuit. When the supply to the DC/DC power module meets all the requirements for SELV(<60Vdc), the output is considered to remain within SELV limits (level 3). If connected to a 60Vdc power system, double or reinforced insulation must be provided in the power supply that isolates the input from any hazardous voltages, including the ac mains. One input pin and one output pin are to be grounded or both the input and output pins are to be kept floating. Single fault testing in the power supply must be performed in combination with the DC/DC power module to demonstrate that the output meets the requirement for SELV. The input pins of the module are not operator accessible.

Note: Do not ground either of the input pins of the module, without grounding one of the output pins. This may allow a non-SELV voltage to appear between the output pin and ground.



## **Thermal Consideration**

### Technologies

ALQ modules have ultra high efficiency at full load. With less heat dissipation and temperature-resistant components such as ceramic capacitors, these modules exhibit good behavior during pro-longed exposure to high temperatures. Maintaining the operating board temperature within the specified range help keep internal component temperatures within their specifications which in turn help keep MTBF from falling below the specified rating. Proper cooling of the power modules is also necessary for reliable and consistent operation.

### **Basic Thermal Management**

Measuring the board temperature of the module as the method shown in Figure 11 can verify the proper cooling.





The module should work under 55°C ambient for the reliability of operation and the board temperature must not exceed 100°C while operating in the final system configuration. The measurement can be made with a surface probe after the module has reached thermal equilibrium. No heat sink is mounted, make the measurement as close as possible to the

indicated position. It makes the assumption that the final system configuration exists and can be used for a test environment. Note that the board temperature of module must always be checked in the final system configuration to verify proper operation due to the variation in test conditions. Thermal management acts to transfer the heat dissipated by the module to the surrounding environment. The amount of power dissipated by the module as heat (PD) is got by the equation below:

PD = PI - PO

where : PI is input power; PO is output power; PD is dissipated power.

Also, module efficiency (  $\eta$  ) is defined as the following equation:

η = PO / PI

If eliminating the input power term, from two above equations can yield the equation below:

**PD = PO (1**- η ) / η

The module power dissipation then can be calculated through the equation.

Because each power module output voltage has a different power dissipation curve, a plot of

power dissipation versus output current over three different line voltages is given in the following figures. The typical power dissipation curve of ALQ series are shown as following figure 12 to 16.



Fig.12 Typical power dissipation curve of ALQ-35F48N





Fig.13 Typical power dissipation curve of ALQ-40G48N



Fig.14 Typical power dissipation curve of ALQ-40Y48N



Fig.15 Typical power dissipation curve of ALQ-40M48N



Fig.16 Typical power dissipation curve of ALQ-40K48N

### Module Derating

When 48V input, 25°C ambient temperature, and 200LFM airflow, ALQ series are rated for full power, and in this condition the board temperature can reach 100°C. For operation above ambient temperature of 55°C, output power must be derated as shown in Figures of "Output Power Derating", meantime, airflow at least 200LFM over the converter must be provided to make the module working properly. The board temperature should be used to determine maximum temperature limits. The minimum operating temperature for the ALQ is -40°C.

Increasing airflow over the module enhances the heat transfer via convection. Figures 17 through 26 shows the maximum current that can be delivered by the corresponding module without exceeding the maximum board temperature versus local ambient temperature (Ta) for natural convection (0 m/s) through 2 m/s (400 ft./min.).

The use of output power derating curve is shown in the following example.

#### Example

What is the minimum airflow necessary for a ALQ-35F48N operating at VI = 48 V, an output current of 28A, and a maximum ambient temperature of  $55^{\circ}$ C?

Solution

Given: VI = 48V, Io = 28A, Ta =  $55^{\circ}$ C

Determine airflow (v) (Use Figure 17): v = 1m/sec. (200ft./min.)





















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Airflow direction from -VIN to +VIN ; VIN = 48V

















Figures 25 Output Power Derating for ALQ-40K48N (Vo = 1.2V) Airflow direction from -VIN to +VIN ; VIN = 48V



Figures 26 Output Power Derating for ALQ-40K48N (Vo = 1.2V) Airflow direction from output to input ; VIN = 48V

## **MTBF**

The MTBF, calculated in accordance with Bellcore TR-NWT-000332 is 2,000,000 hours. Obtaining this MTBF in practice is entirely possible. If the board temperature is expected to exceed +25 $^{\circ}$ C, then we also advise an oriented for the best possible cooling in the air stream.

Emerson Network Power can supply replacements for converters from other manufacturers, or offer custom solutions. Please contact the factory for details.

## **Mechanical Considerations**

### Installation

Although ALQ series converters can be mounted in any orientation, free air-flowing must be taken. Normally power components are always put at the end of the airflow path or have the separate airflow paths. This can keep other system equipment cooler and increase component life spans.

### Soldering

ALQ series converters are compatible with standard wave soldering techniques. When wave soldering, the converter pins should be preheated for 20-30 seconds at 110°C, and wave soldered at 260°C for less than 10 seconds.

When hand soldering, the iron temperature should be maintained at  $425^{\circ}$ C and applied to the converter pins for less than 5 seconds. Longer exposure can cause internal damage to the converter. Cleaning can be performed with cleaning solvent IPA or with water.



## Mechanical Chart (pin side view)



Notes: Un-dimensioned components are for visual reference only.

## **Ordering Information**

Model Number	Input Voltage	Output Voltage	Output Current	Ripple and Noise (mV pp)		Efficiency (%)
	(V)	(V)	(A)	Тур.	Max.	Тур.
ALQ-35F48N	36-75	3.3	35	80	120	90
ALQ-40G48N	36-75	2.5	40	60	100	88.5
ALQ-40Y48N	36-75	1.8	40	60	100	87
ALQ-40M48N	36-75	1.5	40	60	100	86
ALQ-40K48N	36-75	1.2	40	50	80	85