# ELECTRON TUBE DATA SHEET WESTERN ELECTRIC 430B ELECTRON TUBE



## DESCRIPTION

The 430B is a three-electrode, inert-gas-filled, cold cathode tube for use in relay, voltage regulator or rectifier circuits. This tube is mechanically and electrically identical to the 313C except that it has a much faster starter gap ionization time. The tube is especially suitable for use in fast switching circuits.

### CHARACTERISTICS

Peak Anode Voltage · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	185	volts
Average Cathode Current · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	100	milliamperes
Average Life, Approximate · · · · · · · · · · · · · · 10,000	10	hours

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MAXIMUM RATINGS, Absolute System (Note 1)
Forward Peak Anode Voltage
Forward Cathode Current (Note 2)
Peak · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Average · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Averaging Time
Inverse Peak Anode Current (Note 2) · · · · · · · · · 5 milliamperes
Ambient Temperature Limits
ELECTRICAL DATA, Throughout Life
Min. Bogey Max.
Starter Breakdown Voltage (Note 3) 65 70 89 volts
Starter Voltage Drop at 20 Milliamperes · · · · · 52 60 74 volts
Anode Voltage Drop at 20 Milliamperes · · · · · · 68 75 90 volts
Transfer Current See curve - Fig. 3
Ionization Time, Starter Gap (Note 4)
Average (Note 5) · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Maximum · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · See curve - Fig. 5, Page 4
Deionization Time, Approximate
Starter Gap · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Main Gap · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Inverse Current at -120 Volts Anode Potential (Note 6) · - 3 milliamperes
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MECHANICAL DATA
Mounting Position · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

#### HANDLING

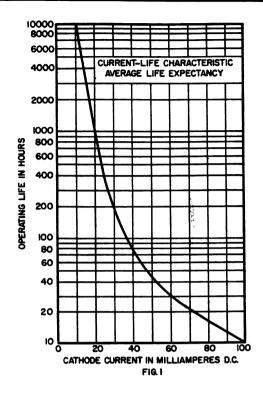
This tube contains a small amount of krypton-85 gas which is a by-product radioactive material. The amount of krypton-85 is less than five microcuries, which is too small an amount to require any special care in use.

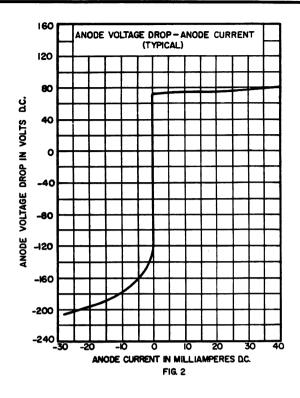
Atomic Energy Commission regulations require that the individual tube carton for tubes containing by-product radioactive material be appropriately marked. The marking includes the statement that tube disposal should be in approved manner.

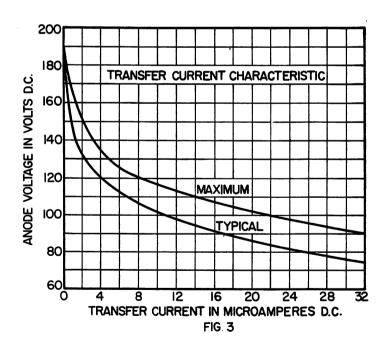
Approved instructions for disposal of tubes containing krypton-85 are as follows;

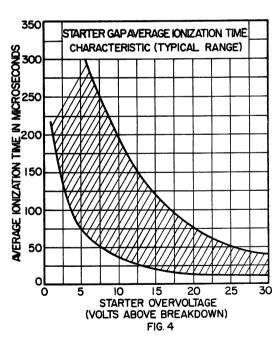
Tubes to be disposed of should be broken or crushed in a well ventilated place releasing any resulting vapors to the outside atmosphere. The residual broken or crushed tubes should be disposed of in a normal public trash disposal system. Tubes should be disposed of at a rate of not more than 100 each week from any one location. Avoid breathing vapors from broken tubes.

- Note 1: In the "Absolute System" the maximum ratings specified are limiting values above which the serviceability of the device may be impaired from the viewpoint of life and satisfactory performance. Maximum ratings, as such, do not constitute a set of operating conditions and all values may not, therefore, be attained simultaneously.
- Note 2: Sufficient resistance must be used in series with the tube to assure that the electrode currents do not exceed their maximum rated values.







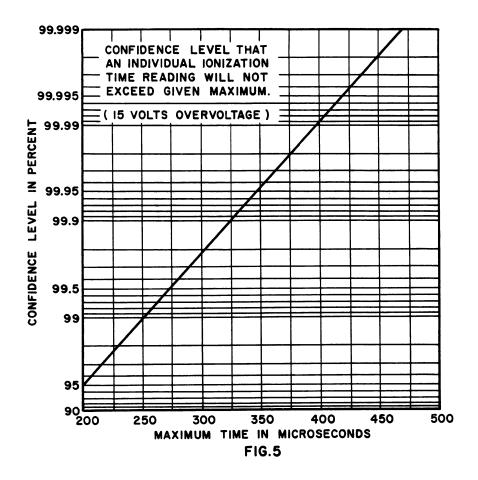


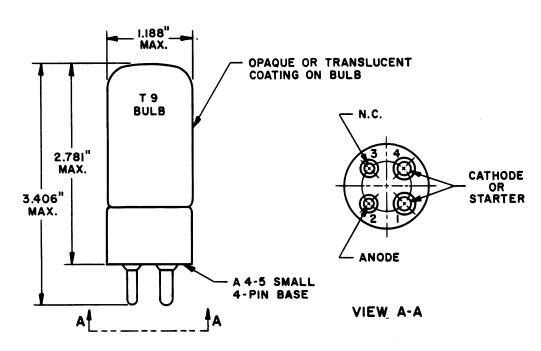
Note 3: Limits apply immediately after tube has conducted current. If the tube has been idle, these values initially may be as much as 3 volts higher or lower.

Note 4: With 15 volts starter overvoltage (15 volts above Starter Breakdown Voltage) with the tube in total darkness (See Fig. 4.)

Note 5: Average of 10 measurements taken at 1 second intervals.

Note 6: Negative anode voltage applied through 8000 ohms. Starter connected to anode through 100,000 ohms.





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