

# 2N2490 thru 2N2493 (GERMANIUM)



**CASE 5**  
(TO-36)

PNP germanium power transistors for general purpose power and switching applications.

## MAXIMUM RATINGS

Rating	Symbol	2N2490	2N2491	2N2492	2N2493	Unit
Collector-Base Voltage	$V_{CB}$	70	60	80	100	Volts
Collector-Emitter Voltage	$V_{CES}$	60	50	70	85	Volts
Emitter-Base Voltage	$V_{EB}$	40	30	60	80	Volts
Collector Current	$I_C$	15				Amp
Power Dissipation at $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$	$P_D$	170				Watts
Junction Temperature Range	$T_J$	-65 to +110				$^\circ\text{C}$

## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ( $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$ unless otherwise noted)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Collector-Base Cutoff Current ( $V_{CB} = -2$ Vdc)	$I_{CBO}$	—	0.2	mAdc
Emitter-Base Cutoff Current ( $V_{EB} = -40$ Vdc) ( $V_{EB} = -30$ Vdc) ( $V_{EB} = -60$ Vdc) ( $V_{EB} = -80$ Vdc)	$I_{EBO}$	— — — —	3.0 3.0 2.0 3.0	mAdc
Collector Cutoff Current ( $V_{CE} = -70$ Vdc, $V_{BE} = 1.5$ Vdc) ( $V_{CE} = -60$ Vdc, $V_{BE} = 1.5$ Vdc) ( $V_{CE} = -80$ Vdc, $V_{BE} = 1.5$ Vdc) ( $V_{CE} = -100$ Vdc, $V_{BE} = 1.5$ Vdc) ( $V_{CE} = -35$ Vdc, $V_{BE} = 1.5$ Vdc, $T_C = +100^\circ\text{C}$ ) ( $V_{CE} = -40$ Vdc, $V_{BE} = 1.5$ Vdc, $T_C = +100^\circ\text{C}$ ) ( $V_{CE} = -50$ Vdc, $V_{BE} = 1.5$ Vdc, $T_C = +100^\circ\text{C}$ )	$I_{CEX}$	— — — — — — —	3.0 3.0 2.0 3.0 35 35 35	mAdc
Collector-Emitter Breakdown Voltage ( $I_C = 1$ A, $I_B = 0$ )	$V_{CEO}$	50 40 65 75	— — — —	Volts
Base-Emitter Voltage ( $I_C = 5$ Adc, $V_{CE} = -2$ Vdc) ( $I_C = 12$ Adc, $V_{CE} = -2$ Vdc)	$V_{BE}$	— — —	0.9 0.8 1.5	Vdc
Collector-Emitter Saturation Voltage ( $I_C = 12$ Adc, $I_B = 2$ Adc)	$V_{CE(sat)}$	— —	0.7 0.5	Vdc
DC Current Gain ( $I_C = 1$ Adc, $V_{CE} = -2$ Vdc)  ( $I_C = 5$ Adc, $V_{CE} = -2$ Vdc)  ( $I_C = 5$ Adc, $V_{CE} = -2$ Vdc, $T_A = -65^\circ\text{C}$ )  ( $I_C = 12$ Adc, $V_{CE} = -2$ Vdc)	$h_{FE}$	45 65 50 20 35 25 15 25 20 8 12 10	— — — 40 70 50 — — — — — —	—
Common Emitter Cutoff Frequency ( $I_C = 5$ A, $V_{CE} = -6$ V)	$f_{ce}$	5.0	—	kHz
Turn-On Time ( $I_C = 5$ A, $I_{B1} = I_{B2} = 0.5$ A)	$t_{on}$	—	25	$\mu\text{s}$
Turn-Off Time ( $I_C = 5$ A, $I_{B1} = I_{B2} = 0.5$ A)	$t_{off}$	—	15	$\mu\text{s}$