

GPM Series high current terminal blocks

with UL94V-0 polyamide
insulating body

- universal mounting onto both PR/DIN and PR/3 type rails - according to IEC 60715 Std., "G32" and "TH/35" types
- panel mount version available
- possibility to perform cross-connections
- available in /BB (bar-bar), /BC (bar-cable), /CC (cable-cable) versions
- available in beige RAL 1001 colour



tightening reliability: the reliability of the connection (cable-lugs or bars) is guaranteed by screw and nut clamping, with one flat and one spring washer, having the function of counteracting the effects of high dynamic stress. In the versions designed for the connection of conductors without special preparation, the reliability of the connection is assured by the special wrapping shape of the pressure plate. The spring reaction to the pressing force of the conductor works as a block under the head of the tightening screw, avoiding unloosening, even in presence of vibrations.

The conducting bar is also manufactured with an equivalent concave housing as to increase the clamping effectiveness on the conductors. In addition, the contact surfaces of both the pressure plate and the concave housing of the conducting busbar are provided, on their whole length, with cross grooving which improves the connection characteristics. The mechanical retention of the conductors guarantees low resistance of the resulting electrical contact.

warning protection: all the versions are contained in particularly articulated insulating bodies which guarantee an **IPXXB** degree of protection, without the need of any further accessory. Every insulating body, made in thermoplastic material, is manufactured in two specular half-shells which fit into each other by means of centring pins. In addition on the lower and internal part of the terminal block, eight embedding tabs give added safety to the terminal block itself. The side walls of the half-shells are stiffened and box like; this not only improves the aesthetic aspect of these large terminal blocks, but also guarantees improved stability and linearity to the entire installation. The different versions, obviously, have different but always innovative and original solutions to the problem of guaranteeing the IPXXB protection degree. In fact in appropriate seats inside the side walls of the half-shells the following may be inserted:

- **protection for the "bar" versions:** this protection, which in normal installation conditions is in a longitudinal position in respect to the axis of the terminal block, can be easily rotated with the simple aid of a screwdriver (as mentioned in the safety regulations). In this way, access can be guaranteed into the connection unit and for all the cable lugs or bars for tightening and loosening operations,
- **protection for the "cable" versions:** in this case the protection is fixed and has a click insertion. It is orthogonal to the axis of the terminal block and it protects the wire clamping collar, the pressure plate and the tightening screw.

This type of protection is provided with a "sliding gate" device, which is vertical to the terminal block protection and in line with the conductors insertion hole; it allows, with manual action with the best safety conditions, to close partially or totally the hole itself and to protect the live parts, when using conductors having a cross-section much lower than the rated one or when wiring the terminal block only on one side.

mounting: due to their large dimensions and as they bear high strain caused by the stress generated by the conductors, a new rail mounting system has been researched into and designed for them. These terminal blocks can be mounted on different types of rails (conf. to IEC 60715). The dismantling from the rail of the terminal block can take place with the aid of a simple screwdriver, inserted in the vent-hole of the mounting system itself (yellow part). If the rails themselves are to be installed on a straight wall, the size of GPM terminal blocks make the use of flat rail supports indispensable so that the terminals can be adequately distanced from the surface. For each terminal block, a /FIX version for the direct panel-mount is available.

marking: identification on both sides can be made on all the terminal blocks of GPM series, despite the size, with either CNU/8 type (2 elements) or CSC (up to 5 elements) marking tags. It is not necessary to use one or the other type: they can be used together.

cross-connection: with this series of products it is also possible to create a cross connection between two or three adjoining terminal blocks by using the appropriate jumper. The pre-cut diaphragm on the side wall of the insulating body must be removed before the insertion of this accessory. Even when the cross-connection is in place, the assembled terminal board provided with these accessories guarantees an IPXXB protection degree, without the need of any further cover.

