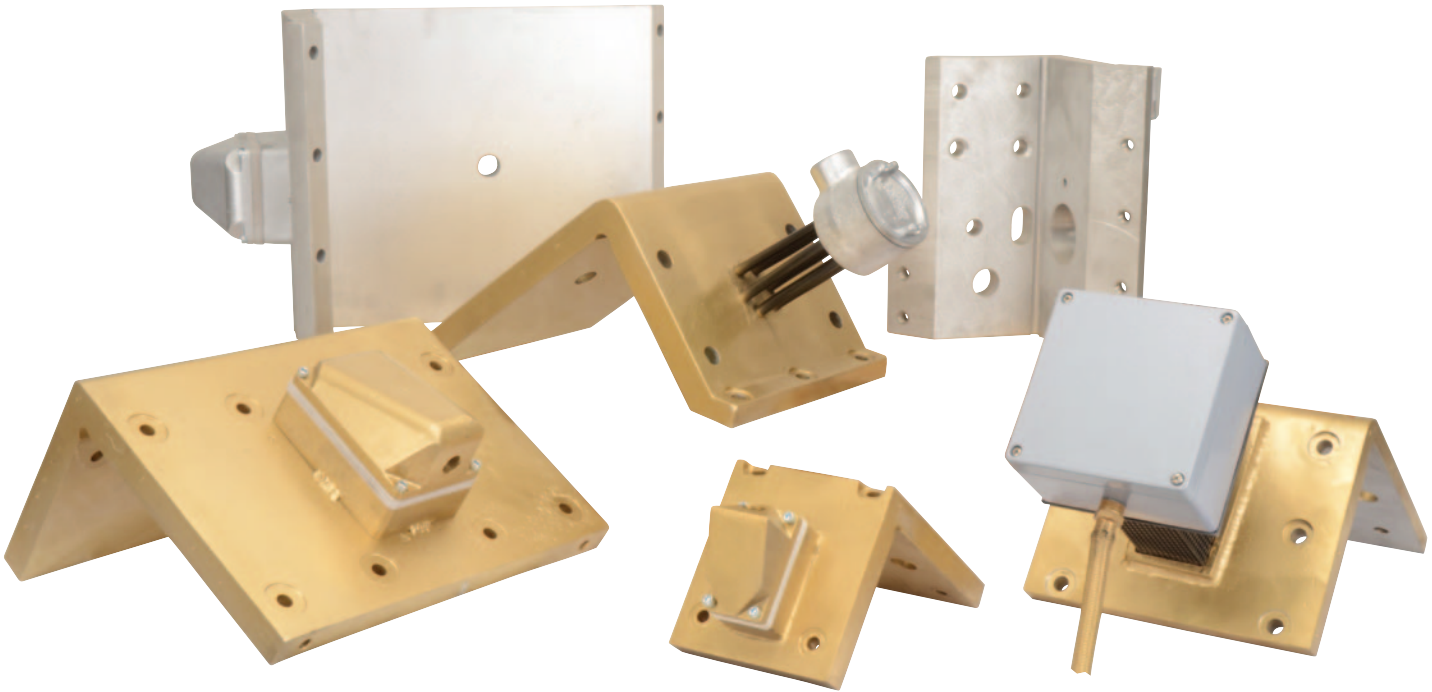


“L” Shaped

“L” Shaped Bronze, Brass or Aluminum Cast-In Heaters for Square and Rectangular Extruder Barrels



Cast-In Heaters That Provide High Temperature and Maximum Processing Capabilities

The “L” Shaped Cast-In Heaters are typically used on square and rectangular twin screw extruder barrels in compounding and plastic resin manufacturing applications. Due to high shear rates, which are common in this process, extreme operating temperatures and high watt densities are frequently encountered. For these reasons Tempco manufactures “L” shaped heaters in bronze or brass alloys, which are capable of withstanding high temperatures at higher watt densities.

In the case of applications requiring lower temperatures and lower watt densities, aluminum alloys can be used. Aluminum castings are desirable as they have greater thermal conductivity and weigh substantially less than their bronze or brass counterparts, allowing for greater ease of installation.

For mounting purposes, the heaters can be designed with 45° flanged ear extensions that are bolted and drawn together, or can be made with through holes machined into the casting body to bolt directly onto the barrel itself. Thermocouple and transducer holes or other special features can be accommodated as well.

To enhance cooling capabilities, or to be used in place of integral feed screw cooling, “L” shaped heaters can be manufactured with cast-in cooling tubes to satisfy liquid cooling requirements. This feature allows processors the ease of changing a single unit at a time, thus representing a far less time-consuming and less expensive alternative should a cooling line become clogged or severely restricted.

Enhanced Features

To aid processors in reducing maintenance downtime, Tempco has introduced several optional construction features to the basic “L” shaped design.

- * *Cast-In Aluminum Alloys for applications requiring lower temperatures and less watt density*
- * *3/8" or 1/2" O.D. cooling tubes for liquid cooling*
- * *Non-Exposed cooling tubes (Type RC—See page 3-51). Eliminates cracked and broken cooling tubes.*



Note: All of the options listed above are design enhancements that will provide value-added benefits to the basic “L” shape configuration, thereby extending the life and performance of your Cast-In Heaters.

Standard “L” Shaped Cast-In Heaters

Design Features

- * *Cast-In Bronze or Brass Alloys for high temperature, high shear applications*
- * *Flange bolt clamping arrangement or through holes in the heater body, allowing bolt mounting directly to the barrel*
- * *High precision machining of the inner contact surface of the heater, yielding exceptional heat transfer to the process*
- * *Choice of terminal protection housings*
- * *Moisture resistant terminal housing which is available in a variety of different styles and mounting arrangements*
- * *Elevated temperature terminations and enclosures. Prevents premature heater failure due to accelerated corrosion or oxidation of terminals caused by high heater surface temperature. See page 3-66 and 3-67 for details on how to order.*