

# Specifications for the NI SCXI™-1161

## 8-SPDT Relay Module

This document lists specifications for the NI SCXI-1161 general purpose relay module. All specifications are subject to change without notice. Visit [ni.com/manuals](http://ni.com/manuals) for the most current specifications.

Configuration ..... 8-channel SPDT

## Input Characteristics

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All input characteristics are DC, AC<sub>rms</sub>, or a combination unless otherwise specified.

Maximum switching voltage..... 250 V, CAT II  
(channel-to-channel and channel-to-ground)



**Note** Refer to the *NI Switches Getting Started Guide* for more information on measurement categories.

Maximum switching capacity  
(per channel, resistive loads)<sup>1</sup>

AC ..... 8 A at 125 VAC  
6 A at 250 VAC

DC ..... 5 A at 30 VDC

Maximum switching current

Per channel ..... 8 A

Per module ..... 50 A

Minimum switching capacity ..... 100 mA at 100 mVDC

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<sup>1</sup> Switching low currents with the SCXI-1161 may not be possible after switching high currents due to contact wear.

## DC path resistance

Initial.....<175 mΩ

End of life .....>1 Ω

Path resistance is a combination of relay contact resistance and trace resistance. Contact resistance typically remains low for the life of a relay. At the end of relay life, the contact resistance rises rapidly above 1.0 Ω.

## Dynamic Characteristics

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Relay operate time .....15 ms

### Expected relay life

Mechanical .....10,000,000 cycles

Electrical.....100,000 cycles  
(maximum resistive load)

## Physical Characteristics

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Relay type .....Electromechanical, non-latching

I/O connectors.....24 screw terminals

Contact material.....Silver alloy

Dimensions (W × H × D).....3.0 cm × 17.3 cm × 19.6 cm  
(1.2 in. × 6.7 in. × 7.6 in.)

Weight .....775 g  
(1 lb 12 oz)

## Environment

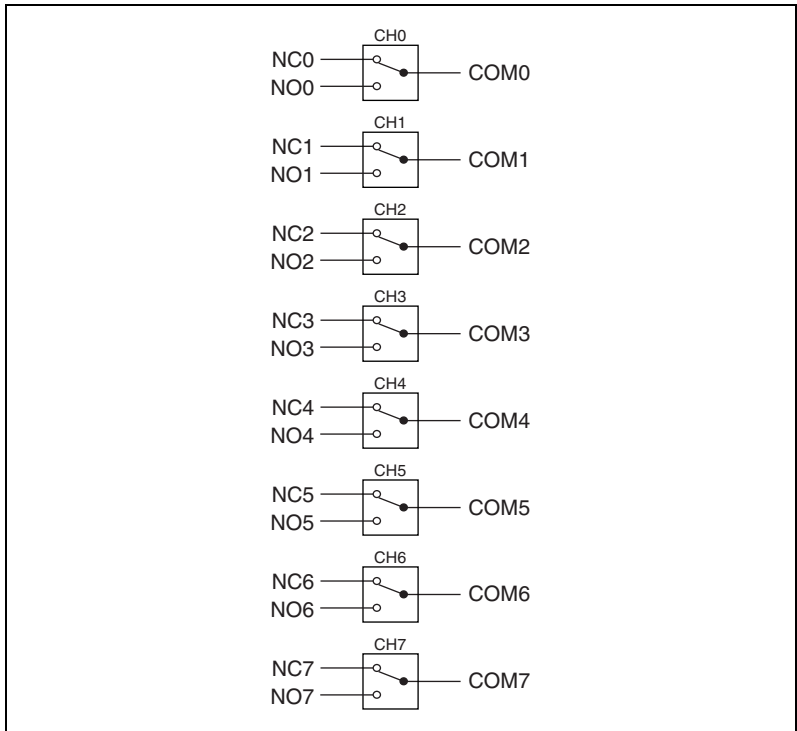
Operating temperature .....0 °C to 50 °C

Storage temperature .....–20 °C to 70 °C

Relative humidity .....5% to 85% non condensing

Pollution Degree .....2

Approved at altitudes up to 2,000 m



**Figure 1.** NI SCXI-1161 8-SPDT Power-On State

# Compliance and Certifications

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## Safety

This product is designed to meet the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1
- UL 3111-1, UL 61010B-1
- CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 1010.1



**Note** For UL and other safety certifications refer to the product label or visit [ni.com](http://ni.com).

## Electromagnetic Compatibility

Emissions .....	EN 55011 Class A at 10 m FCC Part 15A above 1 GHz
Immunity .....	EN 61326:1997 + A2:2001, Table 1
EMC/EMI .....	CE, C-Tick and FCC Part 15 (Class A) Compliant



**Note** For EMC compliance, you *must* operate this device with shielded cabling.

## CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives, as amended for CE Marking, as follows:

Low-Voltage Directive (safety).....73/23/EEC

Electromagnetic Compatibility  
Directive (EMC).....89/336/EEC



**Note** Refer to the Declaration of Conformity (DoC) for this product for any additional regulatory compliance information. To obtain the DoC for this product, click **Declarations of Conformity Information** at [ni.com/hardref.nsf/](http://ni.com/hardref.nsf/).



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