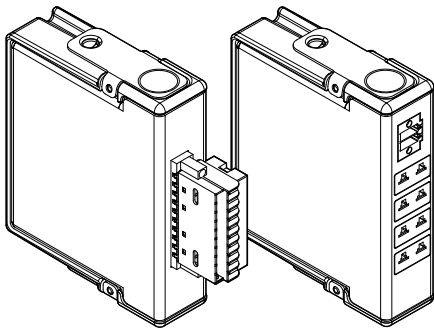


## GETTING STARTED GUIDE

# NI 9210

4-Channel, 14 S/s Aggregate,  $\pm 80$  mV C Series  
Temperature Input Module



This document explains how to connect to the NI 9210. In this document, the NI 9210 with mini-TC and the NI 9210 with spring terminal are referred to inclusively as the NI 9210.



**Note** Before you begin, complete the software and hardware installation procedures in your chassis documentation.



**Note** The guidelines in this document are specific to the NI 9210. The other components in the system might not meet the same safety ratings. Refer to the documentation for each component in the system to determine the safety and EMC ratings for the entire system.



**Caution** Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) can damage the NI 9210 with mini-TC. To prevent damage, use industry-standard ESD prevention measures during installation, maintenance, and operation.

## Safety Guidelines

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Operate the NI 9210 only as described in this document.



**Caution** This icon denotes a caution, which advises you to consult documentation where this symbol is marked.



**Caution** Do not operate the NI 9210 in a manner not specified in this document. Product misuse can result in a hazard. You can compromise the safety protection built into the product if the product is damaged in any way. If the product is damaged, return it to NI for repair.

## NI 9210 with Mini-TC Safety Voltages

Connect only voltages that are within the following limits:

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### Isolation

Channel-to-channel	None
Channel-to-earth ground	
Continuous	60 V DC, Measurement Category I
Withstand	1,000 V RMS, verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test

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Measurement Category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to the electrical distribution system referred to as *MAINS* voltage. MAINS is a hazardous live electrical supply system that powers equipment. This category is for measurements of voltages from specially protected secondary circuits. Such voltage measurements include signal levels, special equipment, limited-energy parts of equipment, circuits powered by regulated low-voltage sources, and electronics.



**Caution** Do not connect the NI 9210 with mini-TC to signals or use for measurements within Measurement Categories II, III, or IV.



**Note** Measurement Categories CAT I and CAT O are equivalent. These test and measurement circuits are for other circuits not intended for direct connection to the MAINS building installations of Measurement Categories CAT II, CAT III, or CAT IV.

## NI 9210 with Spring Terminal Safety Voltages

Connect only voltages that are within the following limits:

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### Isolation

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Channel-to-channel	None
Channel-to-earth ground	
Continuous	250 V RMS, Measurement Category II
Withstand	3,000 V RMS, verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test

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Measurement Category II is for measurements performed on circuits directly connected to the electrical distribution system. This category refers to local-level electrical distribution, such as that provided by a standard wall outlet, for example, 115 V for U.S. or 230 V for Europe.



**Caution** Do not connect the NI 9210 with spring terminal to signals or use for measurements within Measurement Categories III or IV.

## Safety Guidelines for Hazardous Locations

The NI 9210 is suitable for use in Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, D, T4 hazardous locations; Class I, Zone 2, AEx nA IIC T4 Gc and Ex nA IIC T4 Gc hazardous locations; and nonhazardous locations only. Follow these guidelines if you are installing the NI 9210 in a potentially explosive environment. Not following these guidelines may result in serious injury or death.



**Caution** Do not disconnect I/O-side wires or connectors unless power has been switched off or the area is known to be nonhazardous.



**Caution** Do not remove modules unless power has been switched off or the area is known to be nonhazardous.




**Caution** Substitution of components may impair suitability for Class I, Division 2, or Zone 2.



**Caution** The system must be installed in an enclosure certified for the intended hazardous (classified) location, having a tool secured cover/door, where a minimum protection of at least IP54 is provided.

## Special Conditions for Hazardous Locations Use in Europe and Internationally

The NI 9210 has been evaluated as Ex nA IIC T4 Gc equipment under DEMKO 12 ATEX 1202658X and is IECEx UL 14.0089X certified. Each NI 9210 is marked  II 3G and is suitable for use in Zone 2 hazardous locations, in ambient temperatures of  $-40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_a \leq 70\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ . If you are using the NI 9210 in Gas Group IIC hazardous locations, you must use the device in an NI chassis that has been evaluated as Ex nC IIC T4, Ex IIC T4, Ex nA IIC T4, or Ex nL IIC T4 equipment.



**Caution** Transient protection shall be provided that is set at a level not exceeding 140% of the peak rated voltage value of 85 V at the supply terminals to the equipment.



**Caution** The system shall only be used in an area of not more than Pollution Degree 2, as defined in IEC/EN 60664-1.



**Caution** The system shall be mounted in an ATEX/IECEx-certified enclosure with a minimum

ingress protection rating of at least IP54 as defined in IEC/EN 60079-15.



**Caution** The enclosure must have a door or cover accessible only by the use of a tool.

## Electromagnetic Compatibility Guidelines

This product was tested and complies with the regulatory requirements and limits for electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) stated in the product specifications. These requirements and limits provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the product is operated in the intended operational electromagnetic environment.

This product is intended for use in industrial locations. However, harmful interference may occur in some installations, when the product is connected to a peripheral device or test object, or if the product is used in residential or commercial areas. To minimize interference with radio and television reception and prevent unacceptable performance degradation, install and use this product in strict accordance with the instructions in the product documentation.



Furthermore, any changes or modifications to the product not expressly approved by National Instruments could void your authority to operate it under your local regulatory rules.



**Caution** To ensure the specified EMC performance, operate this product only with shielded cables and accessories. Do not use unshielded cables or accessories unless they are installed in a shielded enclosure with properly designed and shielded input/output ports and connected to the product using a shielded cable. If unshielded cables or accessories are not properly installed and shielded, the EMC specifications for the product are no longer guaranteed.

## Special Conditions for Marine Applications

Some products are Lloyd's Register (LR) Type Approved for marine (shipboard) applications. To verify Lloyd's Register certification for a product, visit [ni.com/certification](https://www.ni.com/certification) and search for the LR certificate, or look for the Lloyd's Register mark on the product.



**Caution** In order to meet the EMC requirements for marine applications, install the product in a shielded

enclosure with shielded and/or filtered power and input/output ports. In addition, take precautions when designing, selecting, and installing measurement probes and cables to ensure that the desired EMC performance is attained.

## Preparing the Environment

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Ensure that the environment in which you are using the NI 9210 meets the following specifications.

Operating temperature (IEC 60068-2-1, IEC 60068-2-2)	-40 °C to 70 °C
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Operating humidity (IEC 60068-2-78)	10% RH to 90% RH, noncondensing
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Pollution Degree	2
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Maximum altitude	5,000 m
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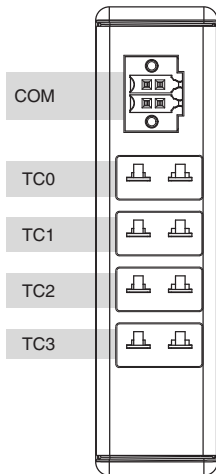
Indoor use only.



**Note** Refer to the device datasheet on [ni.com/manuals](https://ni.com/manuals) for complete specifications.

# NI 9210 with Mini TC Pinout

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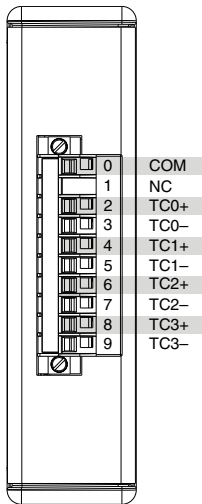


**Table 1.** Signal Descriptions

<b>Signal</b>	<b>Description</b>
COM	Common reference connection to isolated ground
TC	Thermocouple connection

## NI 9210 with Spring Terminal Pinout

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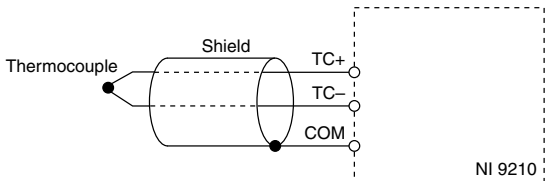


**Table 2.** Signal Descriptions

Signal	Description
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## Thermocouple Connections

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Connect the COM terminal to a common-mode voltage reference on the thermocouple. A valid common-mode voltage reference is a voltage that is within  $\pm 1.5$  V of the common-mode voltage of all the connected thermocouples

## Minimizing Thermal Gradients

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Changes in the ambient air temperature near the front connector or a thermocouple wire conducting heat directly to terminal junctions can cause thermal gradients. Observe the following guidelines to minimize thermal gradients and improve the system accuracy.

- Use small-gauge thermocouple wire. Smaller wire transfers less heat to or from the terminal junction.
- Run thermocouple wiring together near the thermocouple connector to keep the wires at the same temperature.
- Avoid running thermocouple wires near hot or cold objects.
- Minimize adjacent heat sources and air flow across the terminals.
- Keep the ambient temperature as stable as possible.
- Make sure the NI 9210 terminals are facing forward or upward.
- Keep the NI 9210 in a stable and consistent orientation.
- Allow the thermal gradients to settle after a change in system power or in ambient temperature. A change in system power

can happen when the system powers on, the system comes out of sleep mode, or you insert/remove modules.

- If you connect any extension wires to thermocouple wires, use wires made of the same conductive material as the thermocouple wires.

## NI 9210 Connection Guidelines

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- Make sure that devices you connect to the NI 9210 are compatible with the module specifications.
- For the NI 9210 with spring terminal, push the wire into the terminal when using a solid wire or a stranded wire with a ferrule.
- For the NI 9210 with mini-TC, open the terminal by pressing the push button when using stranded wire without a ferrule.
- For the NI 9210 with mini-TC, press the push button to remove wires.



## NI 9210 with Mini TC COM Connection Guidelines

Observe the following guidelines when connecting to the COM terminal.

- You must use 2-wire ferrules to create a secure confecting when connecting more than one wire to a single terminal.
- Open the terminal by pressing the push button when using stranded wire without a ferrule.
- Push the wire into the terminal when using a solid wire or a stranded wire with a ferrule.

## Overvoltage Protection

The NI 9210 provides overvoltage protection for each channel.

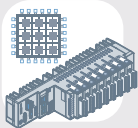


**Note** Refer to the device datasheet on [ni.com/manuals](https://ni.com/manuals) for more information about overvoltage protection.

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## CompactRIO



*NI 9210 Datasheet*



*NI-RIO Help*



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## CompactDAQ



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