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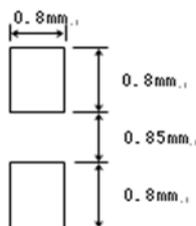
When reflow soldering a surface-mounted LED (chip LED), the proper mounting pattern and amount of solder must be used. If this relationship is not properly maintained, after mounting, the LEDs may float, which may affect the optical characteristics of some products. This section explains the relationship between the recommended soldering pattern and the amount of solder.

Recommended Soldering Pattern

Please refer to the "Precautions" in each product specification for the recommended patterns of surface mount LEDs.

In the case of SML-D1 series (1.6x0.8 t=0.55 size), the following pattern shape is recommended.

SML-D1 Series Recommended Soldering Pattern



In the soldering process, a metal mask is used to apply solder paste to the patterned area, and after the product is mounted, reflow soldering is used to solder the product. If the amount of solder is too much, a lot of solder is rooted in the bottom surface of the product, which may cause the product to tilt after reflow soldering. Please adjust the amount of solder so that the product will not be tilted.

Relationship between Recommended Pattern and Metal Mask Aperture

(Basic)

The recommended pattern and the aperture of the metal mask are basically the same shape. In this case, however, the thickness of the metal mask is assumed to be 100 μ . If the thickness of the metal mask is increased due to the combination with other mounted components, the opening of the metal mask may need to be reduced and the amount of soldering may need to be adjusted.

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(Adjustment example) When the thickness of the metal mask is 150 μ

In order to reduce the amount of solder, the mounting pattern should remain the recommended pattern, but the aperture of the metal mask should be made smaller.

The size of the aperture of the metal mask should be $100\mu/150\mu \approx 67\%$ of the aperture.

For other products of the same 1.6x0.8 size, the shape of the solder fillet changes depending on the shape of the terminals (e.g., whole side electrodes and half-through-hole shape) and the thickness of the terminals, so the amount of solder must be adjusted according to the mounting conditions.

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