



Assembly Precautions for the Nichia 064 Series LEDs

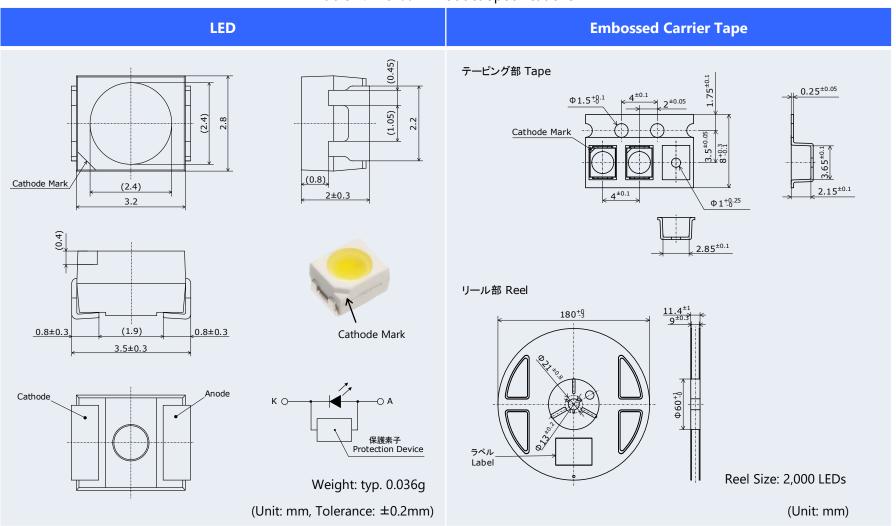
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1. LED Outline Dimensions/Tape and Reel Dimensions

Table 1. NxSx064x Product Specifications



The weight value provided in Table 1 is the weight for the NSSW064A LED.

2. Handling Precautions

2-1. Handling with Bare Hands

Do not handle the LEDs with bare hands:

- this may contaminate the LED surface and have an effect on the optical characteristics,
- this may cause the LED to deform and/or the wire to break causing a catastrophic failure (i.e. the LED not to illuminate),

2-2. Handling with Tweezers

Ensure that when handling the LEDs with tweezers, excessive force is not applied to the LED. Otherwise, it may cause damage to the resin (e.g. cut, scratch, chip, crack, delamination and deformation) and/or the wire to break causing a catastrophic failure.

2-3. ESD Precautions

The LEDs are sensitive to transient excessive voltages (e.g. ESD, lightning surge). If this excessive voltage occurs in the circuit, it may cause the LED to be damaged causing issues (e.g. the LED to become dimmer or not to illuminate [i.e. catastrophic failure]). When handling the LEDs, ensure that necessary measures have been taken to protect them from transient excess voltages. Refer to the applicable specification for more details.

2-4. Stacking Assembled PCBs Together

Do not stack assembled PCBs together. Otherwise, it may cause damage to the resin (e.g. cut, scratch, chip, crack, delamination and deformation) and the wire to break causing a catastrophic failure.

2-5. Baking

The NxSx064x LEDs are comparable to JEDEC Moisture Sensitivity Level (MSL) 3 or equivalent. Refer to IPC/JEDEC STD-020 for detailed information regarding the MSL. If the "after opening" storage time is exceeded, or if pink silica gel beads are found, make sure the LEDs are baked before use. Baking should be done only once. When baking the LEDs, remove the reel of the LEDs from the moisture-proof aluminum bag.

Table 2. Storage/Baking Conditions

| | Conditions | Temperature | Humidity | Time |
|---------|--|-------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| Classes | Before Opening the Moisture- proof Aluminum Bag | ≤30°C | ≤90%RH | Within 1 Year from Delivery Date |
| Storage | After Opening the Moisture- proof Aluminum Bag | ≤30°C | ≤70%RH | Within 168 Hours |
| | Baking | 65±5°C | - | ≥24 Hours |







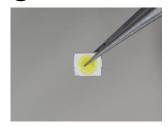






Figure 1. Correct/Incorrect Examples of Handling with Tweezers

3. Design Recommendations for Optimal Amount of Solder

Soldering Pad Pattern/Metal Solder Stencil Aperture

Table 3. Recommended Soldering Pad Pattern/Metal Solder Stencil Aperture

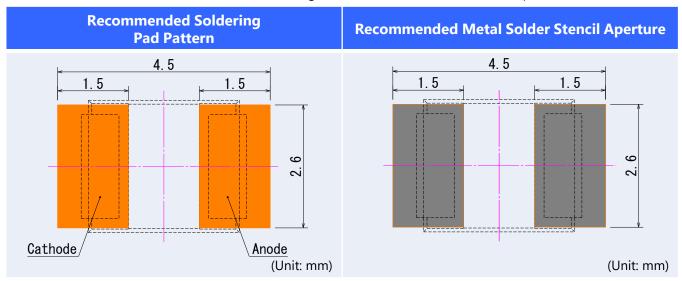




Table 4. Recommended Solder/Metal Solder Stencil Conditions

| Item | Recommended Conditions |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Metal Solder Stencil (Thickness) | 100μm |
| Solder Paste (Composition) | Sn-3.0Ag-0.5Cu |

The recommended soldering pad pattern, metal solder stencil aperture, and thickness of the metal solder stencil provided in Tables 3 and 4 have been determined under Nichia's conditions: ensure that there are no issues with the chosen assembly conditions prior to use.

4. Precautions for Setting Up a Pick-and-Place Machine/Nozzle

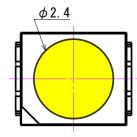
Table 5. Cautions/Suggestions for Setting Up Equipment

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| ltem | Recommended Conditions/Specifications | Cautions/Suggestions | | | |
| Pick-and-Place Machine | Modular mounter | The recommended conditions/specifications herein have been determined using YS100 High-Speed General-Purpose Modular (manufactured by Yamaha Motor Co., Ltd.). | | | |
| Pick-and-Place Nozzle | Use a nozzle that is appropriate for the dimensions of the LED. | See "4-1. Pick-and-Place Nozzle" on Page 6 for details. | | | |
| Tape-and-Reel Feeder | Electrical (motorized) feeder Tape width: 8mm Feeder pitch: 4mm | See "4-2. Tape-and-Reel Feeder" on Page 7 for details. | | | |
| Top Cover Tape Removal Position | Sufficiently far away from the LED pick- up position. | See "4-2. Tape-and-Reel Feeder" on Page 7 for details. | | | |
| Nozzle Height for Pick-up Operations | The contact surface of the nozzle head for pick operations should be adjusted to the height of the edge of the embossed carrier tape pocket. | See "4-3. Recommended Nozzle Height for Pick-up Operations" on Page 8 for details | | | |
| Nozzle Height for Placement Operations (i.e. Placement Depth) | 0.2mm for placement depth | See "4-4. Recommended Nozzle Height for Placement Operations (Placement Depth)" on Page 8 for details. | | | |
| Imaging-based Automatic Inspection | Using the electrode as a reference is recommended to locate the center of the LED. | See "4-5. Imaging-based Automatic Inspection" on Page 9 for details. | | | |

4-1. Pick-and-Place Nozzle

1. Use a nozzle that is appropriate for the LED (i.e. the nozzle dimensions are appropriate for the dimensions of the recommended pick-up position for the LED).

Do not use a nozzle that is smaller than the emitting area of the LED (i.e. Φ 2.4mm); otherwise, it may damage the emitting surface causing the LED not to illuminate.



(Unit: mm)

Figure 2. Emitting Area of the LED

2. Figure 3 shows an example of a recommended nozzle tip. Figure 4 shows correct/incorrect examples for shapes of the nozzle and LED pick-up positions for reference purposes.

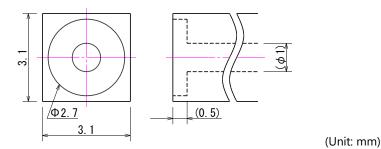


Figure 3. Example of a Recommended Nozzle Tip

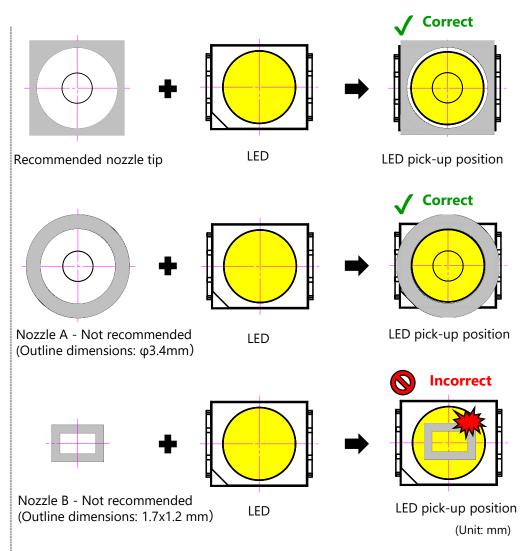
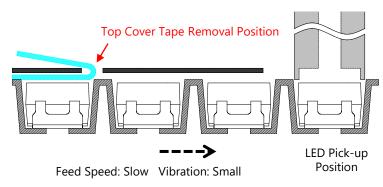


Figure 4. Correct/Incorrect Examples for Shapes of the Nozzle and LED Pick-up Positions

4-2. Tape-and-Reel Feeder

• It is recommended to remove the top cover tape at a point sufficiently far away from the LED pick-up position.



• It is not recommended to remove the top cover tape immediately before LED pick-up.

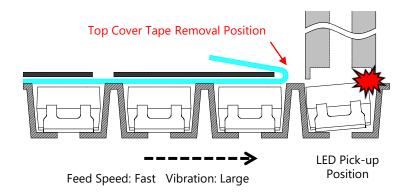


Figure 5. Examples of Recommended/Not Recommended
Top Cover Tape Removal Positions

- 1. For the tape-and-reel feeder, the tape width is set to 8mm and the feeder pitch is set to 4mm.
- 2. Use a tape-and-reel feeder that ensures it does not create excessive vibrations causing assembly issues (e.g. an electrical [motorized] feeder).
 - When the tape feeder feed rate is fast, the LEDs in the embossed carrier tape pockets may not be in the correct position when picked by the nozzle; it may be improved by reducing the tape feeder feed rate.
- 3. It is recommended to remove the top cover tape at a point sufficiently far away from the LED pick-up position.
 - •If the top cover tape is removed right next to where the nozzle picks up the LEDs, regardless of whether the LEDs have been baked or not, it may cause the LED to be picked up incorrectly; it is recommended to remove the top cover tape further from where the nozzle picks up the LEDs.

4-3. Recommended Nozzle Height for Pick-up Operations

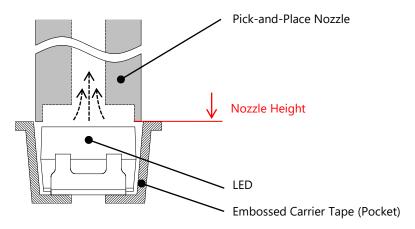


Figure 6. Recommended Nozzle Height for Pick-up Operations

4-4. Recommended Nozzle Height for Placement Operations (Placement Depth)

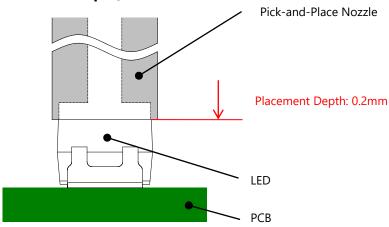


Figure 7. Recommended Nozzle Height for Placement Operations (Placement Depth)

- 1. The nozzle should go down only to the height of the edge of the embossed carrier tape pocket.
 - If it is necessary to insert the nozzle into the pocket due to the shape and/or the size of the nozzle tip, it may go down onto the LED in the tape pocket until the tip touches the LED.
- 2. The recommended nozzle height for pick-up operations has been determined by Nichia under the verification conditions and may not function as expected with some other pick-and-place machines. If the pick-up operations are unstable even with using the recommended nozzle height, adjust the nozzle height appropriate for the pick-and-place machine being used.

If the pick point of the nozzle is too high,

- it may cause insufficient suction power leading to picking errors (e.g. the nozzle's failure to pick/lift the LED into the air, incorrect picking causing the LED to tilt when in the air).

If the pick point of the nozzle is too low,

- it may cause issues (e.g. causing the embossed carrier tape to shake, causing the tape pocket to deform) leading to picking failure.
- 1. The nozzle should further press the LED 0.2mm onto the PCB from the height where the LED first touches solder paste.

If the release point of the nozzle is too high,

 it may cause placement issues (e.g. the LED to stick to the nozzle after placement, the LED to be mounted in an incorrect place/rotated position, the LED to become soldered to the PCB in a tilted position, etc.).

If the release point of the nozzle is too low,

- excessive forces may be applied to the LED during placement and it may cause the LED to become damaged.

4-5. Imaging-based Automatic Inspection

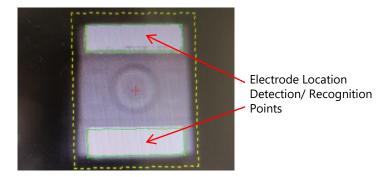


Figure 8. Recommended Reference Points to Detect, Recognize, or Locate the Electrodes

5. Precautions When Reflow Soldering

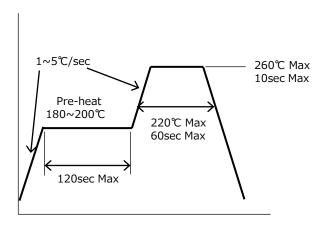


Figure 9. Recommended Reflow Soldering Condition (Lead-free Solder)

- Nichia recommends using the electrodes as a reference to locate the center of the LED.
- 2. If the imaging device has trouble detecting/recognizing the electrodes, adjust the settings (i.e. the brightness of the light, etc.) of the pick-and-place machine.

- 1. Reflow soldering must not be performed more than twice.
- Nichia recommends using the reflow soldering conditions detailed in Figure 9 to the left; use the recommended reflow conditions specified by the manufacturer of the solder paste being used if it works better for the chosen application.
 - Note: To ensure that these reflow conditions have no negative effect on the LEDs, perform sufficient verification prior to use.
- 3. When cooling the LEDs from the peak temperature a gradual cooling slope is recommended; do not cool the LEDs rapidly.
- 4. During reflow soldering, the heat and atmosphere in the reflow oven may cause the optical characteristics to degrade. In particular, reflow soldering performed with an air atmosphere may have a greater negative effect on the optical characteristics than if a nitrogen atmosphere is used; Nichia recommends using a nitrogen reflow atmosphere.

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