

## OHMS LAW - Resistors for LEDs

LED Light Resistors using power at 0.020 Amperage

All Ohms are at lowest resistance for the voltage and you can go actually a little higher for each.

This chart below is most used voltages used at the Bethesda North Hospital Train Display

To get the correct resistors for the application.

You need to have the correct current from the power supply.

Then divide that current into the voltage that you will be using.

That is OHM's law. See example below.

The below Ohms are calculated at .020 amperage or current average wall wart transformer

			<b>OHM'S LAW</b>
3. Volts =	150	Ohms	Voltage to use 12 Volts
3.5 Volts =	175	Ohms	Current (Amperage) 0.020
5. Volts =	250	Ohms	Divide the Current into the Voltage
6. Volts =	300	Ohms	Gives the Value of Resistance to use 600 Ohms
9. Volts =	450	Ohms	Voltage / Current
12. Volts =	600	Ohms	12 / 0.020
14. Volts =	700	Ohms	
16. Volts =	800	Ohms	
18. Volts =	900	Ohms	
24. Volts =	1200	Ohms	

**Code Calculator45**

<https://www.digikey.com/en/resources/conversion-calculators/conversion-calculator-resistor-color-code>.

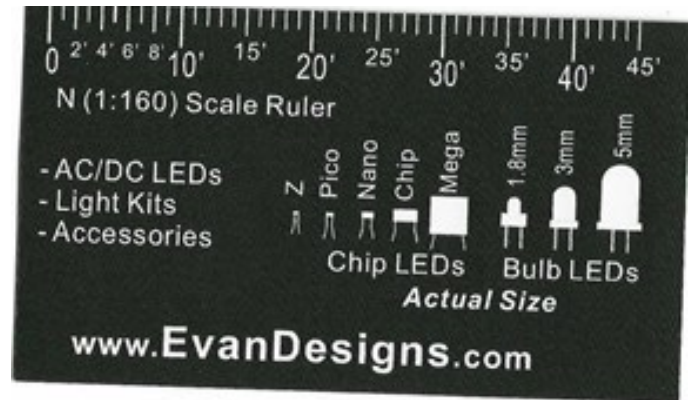
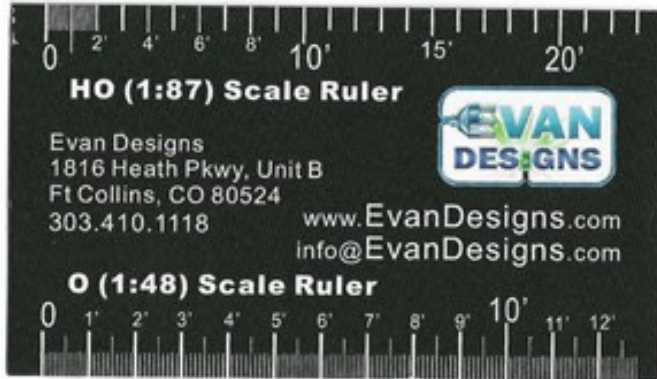
Basic Resistor to use for lighting a 3V LED using 12V DC power

Add one 660 OHM Resistor in line near the led to operate on 12 V DC

Change the plug from the 3 V 2 pin to the 12 V DC 4 Pin Configuration.

The LED is ready to operate

## LED Power Supply Information



### Power Supply:

Wire these lights to:

5-12 volt Battery

Or

Regulated 12V DC Transformer

**The LEDs will not work correctly  
With Unregulated DC Transformers  
Including Model Train Power Supplies  
Or most commonly found transformers.**

### LED Light Ideas:

**Do not use Hot Glue it is too hot.**

Holding Wax, Goop, White Glue  
and tape are all suitable for LEDs.

### TOO BRIGHT?

Add a small amount of  
similar-color paint. Enamel takes down  
the brightness 50% or more

These lights are guaranteed to  
Stay lit for 2 full years, if run at  
the correct voltage range.  
If a light should fail, contact  
Us with an Explanation of how  
the fail occurred for a free  
replacement light of the same  
size/color/voltage.

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## Copper Ampacity Chart

# Copper

Table 310.15(B)(16) (formerly Table 310.16) Allowable Ampacities of Insulated Conductors Rated Up to and Including 2000 Volts, 60°C through 90°C (140°F through 194°F), Not More Than Three Current-Carrying Conductors in Raceway, Cable, or Earth (Directly Buried), Based on Ambient Temperature of 30°C (86°F)

Conductor Size (AWG or KCMIL)	60°C/140°F <small>TW &amp; UF</small>	75°C/167°F <small>RHW, THHW, THW, THWN, XHHW, USE, ZW</small>	90°C/194°F <small>TBS, SA, SIS, FEP, FEPB, MI, RHH, RHW-2, THHN, THHW, THW-2, THWN-2, XHH, XHHW, XHHW-2, USE-2 &amp; ZW</small>
18	—	—	14
16	—	—	18
14*	15	20	25
12*	20	25	30
10*	30	35	40
8	40	50	55
6	55	65	75
4	70	85	95
3	85	100	115
2	95	115	130
1	110	130	145
1/0	125	150	170
2/0	145	175	195
3/0	165	200	225
4/0	195	230	260
250	215	255	290
300	240	285	320
350	260	310	350
400	280	335	380
500	320	380	430
600	350	420	475
700	385	460	520
750	400	475	535
800	410	490	555
900	435	520	585
1000	455	545	615

## Aluminum or Copper-Clad Ampacity Chart

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12*	15	20	25
10*	25	30	35
8	35	40	45
6	40	50	55
4	55	65	75
3	65	75	85
2	75	90	100
1	85	100	115
1/0	100	120	135
2/0	115	135	150
3/0	130	155	175
4/0	150	180	205
250	170	205	230
300	195	230	260
350	210	250	280
400	225	270	305
500	260	310	350
600	285	340	385
700	315	375	425
750	320	385	435
800	330	395	445
900	355	425	480
1000	375	445	500

## Wire Gauge Chart for Length in Feet

Total Approx. Circuit Amperes	Wire Gauge (For Length In Feet)											
	3	5	7	10	15	20	25	30	40	50	75	100
12VDC												
1	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
1.5	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
2	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	16	16
3	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	14	14
4	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	16	16	12	12
5	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	16	14	12	12
6	18	18	18	18	18	18	16	16	16	14	12	10
7	18	18	18	18	18	18	16	16	14	14	10	10
8	18	18	18	18	18	16	16	16	14	12	10	10
10	18	18	18	18	16	16	16	14	12	12	10	10
11	18	18	18	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	10	8
12	18	18	18	18	16	16	14	14	12	12	10	8
15	18	18	18	18	14	14	12	12	12	10	8	8
18	16	16	16	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	8	8
20	16	16	16	16	14	12	10	10	10	10	8	6
22	14	16	14	14	12	12	10	10	10	8	6	6
24	14	14	14	14	12	12	10	10	10	8	6	6
30	12	12	12	12	10	10	10	10	10	6	4	4
40	10	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	4	2
50	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	6	6	2	2
100	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	1	1/0
150	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2/0	2/0
200	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	4/0	4/0

## Automotive Wiring Gauge Table

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AMPS	3'	5'	7'	10'	15'	20'	25'		
0 to 7	18	18	18	18	18	18	18		
8	18	18	18	18	18	16	16		
10	18	18	18	18	16	16	16		
11	18	18	18	18	16	16	14		
12	18	18	18	18	16	16	14		
15	18	18	18	18	14	14	12		
18	18	18	16	16	14	14	12		
20	18	18	16	16	14	12	10		
22	18	18	16	16	12	12	10		
24	18	18	16	16	12	12	10		
30	18	16	16	14	10	10	10		
40	18	16	14	12	10	10	8		
50	16	14	12	12	10	10	8		
100	12	12	10	10	6	6	4		
150	10	10	8	8	4	4	2		
200	10	8	8	6	4	4	2		