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THERMAL SWITCH WITH A TEMPERATURE DETECTOR FORMED BY A BIMETALLIC SNAP DISC

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[origin: US4646054A] A thermal switch for breaking an electrical circuit to prevent overheating is described. The thermal switch includes a bimetallic thermocouple in the form of a snap disc and a leaf spring. The leaf spring supports an electrical contact. When the leaf spring is in its stressed position, the electrical contact keeps an electrical circuit closed. When the temperature rises too high, the snap disc snaps in a direction which causes the leaf spring to move into its unstressed position, thereby opening the circuit. When the temperature has decreased, the switch can be reset.

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