

**NTE159**  
**Silicon PNP Transistor**  
**Audio Amplifier, Switch**  
**(Compl to NTE123AP)**

**Absolute Maximum Ratings:**

Collector–Emitter Voltage, $V_{CEO}$ .....	80V
Collector–Base Voltage, $V_{CBO}$ .....	80V
Emitter–Base Voltage, $V_{EBO}$ .....	5V
Continuous Collector Current, $I_C$ .....	1.0A
Total Device Dissipation ( $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ), $P_D$ .....	625mW
Derate Above $25^\circ\text{C}$ .....	5mW/ $^\circ\text{C}$
Total Device Dissipation ( $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ), $P_D$ .....	1.5W
Derate Above $25^\circ\text{C}$ .....	12mW/ $^\circ\text{C}$
Operating Junction Temperature Range, $T_J$ .....	$-55^\circ$ to $+150^\circ\text{C}$
Storage Temperature Range, $T_{stg}$ .....	$-55^\circ$ to $+150^\circ\text{C}$
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case, $R_{\theta JC}$ .....	83.3 $^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Ambient, $R_{\theta JA}$ .....	200 $^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$

Note 1. Matched complementary pairs are available upon request (NTE159MCP). Matched complementary pairs have their gain specification ( $h_{FE}$ ) matched to within 10% of each other.

**Electrical Characteristics:** ( $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
<b>OFF Characteristics</b>						
Collector–Emitter Breakdown Voltage	$V_{(BR)CEO}$	$I_C = 10\text{mA}$ , $I_B = 0$	80	–	–	V
Collector–Base Breakdown Voltage	$V_{(BR)CBO}$	$I_C = 10\mu\text{A}$ , $I_E = 0$	80	–	–	V
Emitter–Base Breakdown Voltage	$V_{(BR)EBO}$	$I_E = 10\mu\text{A}$ , $I_C = 0$	5	–	–	V
Collector Cutoff Current	$I_{CBO}$	$V_{CB} = 50\text{V}$ , $I_E = 0$	–	–	50	nA
		$V_{CB} = 50\text{V}$ , $I_E = 0$ , $T_A = +75^\circ\text{C}$	–	–	5	$\mu\text{A}$
Emitter Cutoff Current	$I_{EBO}$		–	–	100	nA

**Electrical Characteristics (Cont'd):** ( $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
<b>ON Characteristics</b>						
DC Current Gain	$h_{FE}$	$V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, I_C = 0.1\text{mA}$	25	–	–	
		$V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, I_C = 1\text{mA}$	40	–	–	
		$V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, I_C = 10\text{mA}$	50	–	250	
		$V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, I_C = 100\text{mA}$	40	–	–	
		$V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, I_C = 500\text{mA}$	30	–	–	
Collector–Emitter Saturation Voltage	$V_{CE(sat)}$	$I_C = 150\text{mA}, I_B = 15\text{mA}, \text{Note 2}$	–	–	0.15	V
		$I_C = 500\text{mA}, I_B = 50\text{mA}, \text{Note 2}$	–	–	0.5	V
Base–Emitter Saturation Voltage	$V_{BE(sat)}$	$I_C = 150\text{mA}, I_B = 15\text{mA}, \text{Note 2}$	–	–	0.9	V
		$I_C = 500\text{mA}, I_B = 50\text{mA}, \text{Note 2}$	–	–	1.1	V
Base–Emitter ON Voltage	$V_{BE(on)}$	$I_C = 500\text{mA}, V_{CE} = 500\text{mV}$	–	–	1.1	V
<b>Small–Signal Characteristics</b>						
Current Gain–Bandwidth Product	$f_T$	$I_C = 50\text{mA}, V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, f = 100\text{MHz}$	100	–	500	MHz
Output Capacitance	$C_{ob}$	$V_{CB} = 10\text{V}, I_E = 0, f = 100\text{kHz}$	–	–	30	pF
Input Capacitance	$C_{ib}$	$V_{CB} = 10\text{V}, I_E = 0, f = 100\text{kHz}$	–	–	110	pF
Input Impedance	$h_{ie}$	$I_C = 10\text{mA}, V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, f = 1\text{kHz}$	–	550	–	$\text{k}\Omega$
Voltage Feedback Ratio	$h_{re}$	$I_C = 10\text{mA}, V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, f = 1\text{kHz}$	–	100	–	$\times 10^{-6}$
Small–Signal Current Gain	$h_{fe}$	$I_C = 10\text{mA}, V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, f = 1\text{kHz}$	–	200	–	
Output Admittance	$h_{oe}$	$I_C = 10\text{mA}, V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, f = 1\text{kHz}$	–	100	–	$\mu\text{mhos}$
Noise Figure	NF	$I_C = 100\mu\text{A}, V_{CE} = 10\text{V}, R_S = 1\text{k}\Omega, f = 1\text{kHz}$	–	–	3	dB
<b>Switching Characteristics</b>						
Turn–On Time	$t_{on}$	$V_{CC} = 30\text{V}, V_{BE(off)} = 3.8\text{V}, I_C = 500\text{mA}, I_{B1} = 50\text{mA}$	–	–	100	ns
Turn–Off Time	$t_{off}$	$V_{CC} = 30\text{V}, I_C = 500\text{mA}, I_{B1} = I_{B2} = 50\text{mA}$	–	–	400	ns

Note 2. Pulse Test: Pulse Width  $\leq 300\mu\text{s}$ , Duty Cycle  $\leq 2\%$ .

