

Highly flame-retardant, low recovery temperature, heat-shrinkable tubing



Versafit heat-shrinkable tubing is a cost-effective choice for many commercial and military applications. Versafit tubing is made from a specially formulated, crosslinked polyolefin to provide high flame-retardance (VW-1), excellent flexibility, and a low shrink temperature (to reduce installation time).

Versafit tubing performs a variety of functions in commercial and military applications:

- Electrically insulates and protects in-line components, disconnect terminals, and splices.
- Bundles wires for very flexible light-duty harnesses.
- Identifies or color-codes wires, cables, terminals, and components. Versafit tubing hot-stamps extremely well.

Compared to noncrosslinked materials, Versafit tubing has a higher temperature rating and exhibits better

thermal stability and resistance to physical abuse.

Unlike other typical flame-retardant tubings, Versafit tubing is free of polybrominated biphenyls (PBBs) and polybrominated biphenyl oxides and ethers (PBBOs/PBBEs). In Europe, these chemicals are classified as environmentally hazardous substances.

Temperature rating

Full recovery temperature:	90°C
Continuous operating temperature:	-55°C to 135°C

Specifications*

Type	Raychem	UL	CSA	Military
Versafit	RW-3009	E35586 VW-1 600V, 125°C	LR31929 VW-1 600V, 125°C	AMS-DTL-23053/5 Classes 1 and 3

*When ordering, always specify latest issue.

Dimensions (millimeters/inches)



Size	Inside diameter		d (max.)		Wall thickness	
	D Expanded as supplied		Recovered after heating		W Recovered after heating**	
3/64	1.63 ± 0.2	0.064 ± 0.008	0.6	0.023	0.40 ± 0.08	0.016 ± 0.003
1/16	1.85 ± 0.2	0.073 ± 0.007	0.8	0.031	0.43 ± 0.08	0.017 ± 0.003
3/32	2.79 ± 0.2	0.110 ± 0.007	1.2	0.046	0.51 ± 0.08	0.020 ± 0.003
1/8	3.43 ± 0.2	0.135 ± 0.007	1.6	0.062	0.51 ± 0.08	0.020 ± 0.003
3/16	5.21 ± 0.3	0.205 ± 0.010	2.4	0.093	0.51 ± 0.08	0.020 ± 0.003
1/4	7.11 ± 0.3	0.280 ± 0.010	3.2	0.125	0.64 ± 0.08	0.025 ± 0.003
3/8	10.16 ± 0.4	0.400 ± 0.015	4.8	0.187	0.64 ± 0.08	0.025 ± 0.003
1/2	13.72 ± 0.4	0.540 ± 0.015	6.4	0.250	0.64 ± 0.08	0.025 ± 0.003
5/8	16.90 ± 0.4	0.665 ± 0.015	8.0	0.315	0.76 ± 0.08	0.030 ± 0.003
3/4	20.45 ± 0.4	0.805 ± 0.015	9.5	0.375	0.76 ± 0.08	0.030 ± 0.003
1	25.53 ± 0.4	1.055 ± 0.015	12.7	0.500	0.89 ± 0.13	0.035 ± 0.005
1 1/4	33.40 ± 0.7	1.315 ± 0.025	15.9	0.625	1.02 ± 0.15	0.040 ± 0.006
1 1/2	39.88 ± 0.8	1.570 ± 0.030	19.1	0.750	1.02 ± 0.15	0.040 ± 0.006
2	52.83 ± 1.0	2.080 ± 0.040	25.4	1.000	1.14 ± 0.16	0.045 ± 0.007
3	78.49 ± 1.0	3.090 ± 0.040	38.1	1.500	1.27 ± 0.20	0.050 ± 0.008
4	104.14 ± 1.3	4.100 ± 0.050	50.8	2.000	1.40 ± 0.23	0.055 ± 0.009

**Wall thickness will be less if tubing recovery is restricted during shrinkage.

Ordering information

Colors	Standard	Black, white, red, blue, yellow and green
	Nonstandard	Brown, orange, violet, and gray
Size selection	Always order the largest size that will shrink snugly over the component being covered. A variety of special order sizes are available.	
Standard packaging	On spools.	
Ordering description	Specify product name, size, and color; for example, Versafit 1/4-0 (0=Black).	

Specification values

	Property	Unit	Requirement	Method of test
Physical	Dimensions	mm (<i>inches</i>)	See reverse	ASTM D 2671
	Longitudinal change			
	ASTM D 2671	percent	+1, -5	ASTM D 2671
	UL 224	percent	+3, -3	UL224
	Eccentricity (recovered)	percent	30 maximum	ASTM D 2671
	Tensile strength	psi (<i>MPa</i>)	1500 (<i>10.3</i>) minimum	ASTM D 2671
	Ultimate elongation	percent	200 minimum	ASTM D 2671
	Secant modulus (expanded)	psi (<i>MPa</i>)	2.5 X 10 ⁴ (<i>172</i>) maximum	ASTM D 2671
	Low-temperature flexibility (1 hour at -45°C/-49°F)		No cracking	UL 224
	Heat shock (1 hour at 136°C/277°F)		No cracking	UL 224
	Heat resistance (7 days at 158°C/316°F)			ASTM D 2671
	Followed by tests for:			
	Tensile strength	psi (<i>MPa</i>)	70% minimum of unaged specimens	UL 224
	Ultimate elongation	percent	100 minimum	UL 224
	Flexibility		No cracking	UL 224
	Dielectric withstand at 2500 V	seconds	60 minimum	UL 224
	Dielectric breakdown	volts	50% minimum of unaged specimens	ASTM D 2671
	Dielectric strength	volts/mil (<i>kV/mm</i>)	500 (<i>19.7</i>) minimum	ASTM D 2671
	Restricted shrinkage		Pass	UL 224
Electrical	Dielectric strength	volts/mil (<i>kV/mm</i>)	500 (<i>19.7</i>) minimum	ASTM D 2671
	Dielectric withstand at 2500 V	seconds	60 minimum	UL 224
	Volume resistivity	ohm-cm	10 ¹⁴ minimum	ASTM D 2671
Chemical	Corrosive effect (7 days at 158°C/316°F)		No corrosion	ASTM D 2671
	Copper stability (7 days at 158°C/316°F)		No brittleness, glazing, cracking, or severe discoloration of tubing. No pitting or blackening of copper.	ASTM D 2671
	Followed by test for:			
	Ultimate elongation	percent	100 minimum	ASTM D 2671
	Flammability		Pass	UL 224, VW-1
	Water absorption (recovered) (24 hours at 23°C/73°F)	percent	0.5 maximum	ASTM D 2671
	Fungus resistance			ISO 846 Method B
	Followed by tests for:			
	Tensile strength	psi (<i>MPa</i>)	1500 (<i>10.3</i>) minimum	ASTM D 2671
	Ultimate elongation	percent	200 minimum	ASTM D 2671
	Dielectric strength	volts/mil (<i>kV/mm</i>)	500 (<i>19.7</i>) minimum	ASTM D 2671

Note: Consult RW-3009 for specific details about test procedures.

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