

FIT Tape

Data Sheet

Description

FIT Tape is a 0.5 mm thick, polyethylene insulating tape used for low and high voltage insulation.

Applications

• Primary electrical insulation for all wire and cable splices rated up to 10 kV.

Primary electrical insulation for 600 volt bus applications, and protective jacketing for low and high voltage bus.

Protective jacketing for high voltage cable splices and repairs.

Harnessing of wires and cables.

Typical Properties

Not for specifications. Values are typical, not to be considered minimum or maximum.

Physical Property (Test Method ASTM D-1000)	Typical Value
Colors	Black
Thickness	0.5 mm (0.12 mm Backing)
Width	19 mm
Length	10 m
Volume Resistivity	> 1x10 ¹⁴ Ohm-cm
Dielectric Strength	> 10 kV/mm
Tensile Strength	18.6 N @ 19 mm
Ultimate Elongation	> 300%
Adhesion to Backing	18.6 N @ 19 mm
Ozone Resistance	Good
Tracking Resistance	Good

Installation

FIT Tape shall be applied in half-lapped layers with sufficient tension to produce a uniform wind (for most applications this tension will reduce the tape's width to approximately 5/8 of its original width). On pigtail splices, the tape shall be wrapped beyond the end of the wires and then folded back, leaving a protective cushion to resist cut-through. Wrap tape up-hill, taping from a smaller diameter surface to a larger diameter surface. Apply the tape with no tension on the last wrap to prevent flagging.

Availability

Please contact your local distributor; available from 3M.com/electrical [Where to Buy].

Shelf Life & Storage

This product has a 5-year shelf life from date of manufacture when stored in a humidity controlled storage (10°C to 27°C and <75% relative humidity).

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