

Energy Division

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Insulating and sealing systems for power cables have to perform to a range of exacting requirements; to be uneffected by years of weathering and ultra-violet light, to stand up to continuous temperature changes, to keep out moisture and corrosive liquids for a generation, to be immune to oils and solvents, and to combine lasting insulating properties with low weight, toughness, impact strength and flexibility.

The need for modern standards of efficiency and simplicity of installation is a further significant consideration.

To meet these demands, we developed MWTM, a heat-shrinkable halogen-free medium-wall tubing now in widespread use in terminations, joints and cable repairs throughout the world. Heating with a commonly available gas torch activates the tubing's "elastic memory" causing it to recover in diameter. The tubing's high shrink ratio enables it to shrink and tightly fit a wide range of cable sizes and accessories.

Appropriate to the particular application, MWTM tubing is available with an inner sealant wall, which melts and flows under the heat and shrinking action of installation. This makes it suitable for either cable oversheath replacement and sealing, or uncoated as an insulating material. The shelf-life restrictions usually associated with tapes and resins do not apply, and the completed installation may be taken into service at once.

MWTM tubing is fast and easily installed, and has proven its long term reliability in harsh climatic conditions and polluted environments. It is one result of our capability in materials science and electrical power engineering, gained through extensive experience as one of the world's largest cable accessories makers and a sustained research effort. We make a wide range of specially developed products and support them with technical service and world-wide experience to meet the demands of the growing world of energy.

An electrical system in Austria. MWTM protects and seals the cable cores and connectors as part of a Raychem termination, and seals the cable feedthrough into a building.



Material properties		Test method	Material requirements		
Tensile strength		ISO 37	14 MPa min.		
Ultimate elongation		ISO 37	350 % min.		
Density		ISO 1138 Method A	1.0 - 1.2 g/cm ³		
Hardness		ISO 868	50 - 70 shore D		
Accelerated ageing	7 days at 150°C ± 2°C	ISO 188			
	Tensile strength	ISO 37	14 MPa min.		
	Ultimate elongation	ISO 37	300 % min.		
Thermal endurance*		IEC 60216	120°C min.		
Low temperature flexibility	4 hrs at -40°C ± 3°C	ASTM D 2671 Procedure C	No cracking		
Dielectric strength	1 mm wall	IEC 60243	200 kV/cm		
Volume resistivity		IEC 60093	$1 \times 10^{12} \Omega$ cm min.		
Water absorption		ISO 62 Method 1	0.25 % max after 14 days at 23°C ± 2°C		
Resistance to liquids	7 days in transformer oil VDE 0370 at 23°C ± 2°C	ISO 1817			
	Tensile strength	ISO 37	14 MPa min.		
	Ultimate elongation	ISO 37	300 % min.		
Weathering		The material from which MWTM is manufactured contains carbon black to protect it from ultra-violet light.			
Additional properties		More detailed product specification data available on request.			

^{*} based on ultimate elongation

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Notes:

- 1. Dimensions in millimetersa = as suppliedb = after free recovery
- 2. Max. longitudinal change after free recovery:+5 % to -15 % up to 35/12+5 % to -10 % above 35/12

Raychem MWTM tubing is supplied complete with installation instructions.

Product/ size*	Application range (diameter)	H min	a max	W b min	a min	P b
MWTM 10/3	3.5 - 9.0	10	3	0.3	1.0	
MWTM 12/3	3.5 - 10.8	12	3	0.3	2.0	<u> </u>
MWTM 16/5	5.5 - 14.5	16	5	0.3	1.4	<u>—</u>
MWTM 25/8	9.0 - 22.5	25	8	0.4	2.0	<u>—</u>
MWTM 35/12	13.0 - 31.5	35	12	0.4	2.0	<u> </u>
MWTM 50/16	17.5 - 45.0	50	16	0.5	2.0	
MWTM 63/19	21.0 - 57.0	63	19	0.6	2.4	— See standard
MWTM 70/26	23.5 - 63.0	70	26	0.5	2.0	lengths
MWTM 75/22	24.0 - 68.0	75	22	0.6	2.7	
MWTM 85/25	27.5 - 77.0	85	25	0.6	2.8	
MWTM 95/29	32.0 - 86.0	95	29	0.7	3.1	
MWTM 115/34	37.0 - 104.0	115	34	0.7	3.1	<u> </u>
MWTM 140/42	46.0 - 126.0	140	42	0.7	3.1	<u>—</u>
MWTM 160/50	55.0 - 144.0	160	50	0.7	3.2	<u>—</u>
MWTM 180/60	66.0 - 162.0	180	60	0.7	3.2	_

^{*}Other sizes on request.

Standard lengths and coatings

Lengths

1500 mm

All sizes types are available in the standard lengths: 1000 mm and

Spools and other lengths on request. All lengths subject to standard cutting tolerances.

Coatings

Sealant type /S

MWTM tubing is available with or without an inner sealant wall. The sealant exhibits excellent bonding and sealing characteristics to all materials commonly used in the various cable insulation and sheath constructions, such as plastic, rubber, lead and aluminium.

Ordering example

MWTM 25/8-1000/S
Product type _______
Size _____
Standard length ______
/S = sealant ______
/U = without sealant ______

Part number

All of the above information, including drawings, illustrations and graphic designs, reflects our present understanding and is to the best of our knowledge and belief correct and reliable. Users, however, should independently evaluate the suitability of each product for the desired application. Under no circumstances does this constitute an assurance of any particular quality or performance. Such an assurance is only provided in the context of our product specifications or explicit contractual arrangements. Our liability for these products is set forth in our standard terms and conditions of sale. Raychem, TE Logo and Tyco Electronics are trademarks.

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