

FLEXWELL® elliptical waveguide is constructed of longitudinally continuous seam welded, highly conductive copper tube, corrugated and precision formed into an elliptical cross section. It is manufactured in continuous lengths using a special seam welding process developed by the RFS organization.

The corrugation design achieves high transverse stability, flexibility and crush strength for superior handling and forming at an installation. The inherent strength and flexibility of FLEXWELL® waveguide allows on location, a continuous length of waveguide to be run directly from a tower-mounted antenna to the equipment building.

A FLEXWELL® elliptical waveguide feeder requires less planning and reduces installation costs when compared to a feeder system using a rigid rectangular waveguide. FLEXWELL® waveguide is available cut to length with factory attached connectors or in continuous lengths for termination in the field.

Feature / Benefits

- Designed for optimum system performance
- Excellent electrical performance
- Low loss and low VSWR (low return loss)
- Electrical test made on every waveguide during manufacturing
- Every waveguide undergoes 24 hour pressure test
- Reduced installation cost compared to rigid rectangular waveguides due to flexibility
- No need of flange joints, twist section and bends
- Easy transportation in coils or on drums
- Cutting at exact length and connectorizing in the field
- Flame Retardant, LS0H

Technical features

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Performance	Premium		
Jacket	JFN (Polyethylene, Metallhydroxite filling, black)		

ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Typical Operating Band	4.4 - 5 GHz						
Max. VSWR / Return Loss	VSWRMAX	ReturnLossDB	LowerFrequency	UpperFrequency			
	1.073	29.1					
Cut-off Frequency	3.08 GHz						

MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Weight	1.6kg/m (1.08lb/ft)				
Minimum Bending Radius E Plane	150mm (6in)				
Minimum Bending Radius H Plane	500mm (20in)				
Minimum Bending Radius E Plane	150mm (6in)				
Minimum Bending Radius H Plane	600mm (24in)				
Maximum Twist	2m (0.6ft)				
Max. Operating Pressure	0.5bar (7psi)				
Max. Pulling Length per Hoisting Grip	100m (305ft)				
Standard Hanger Spacing	1.2m (4ft)				

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TEMPERATURE SPECIFICATIONS

Installation Temperature	-25°C to 60°C (-13°F to 140°F)
Storage Temperature	-70°C to 85°C (-94°F to 185°F)
Operation Temperature	-50°C to 85°C (-58°F to 185°F)

ATTENUATION AND POWER RATING

Frequency (GHz)	Attenuation dB/100m	Attenuation dB/100ft	Avarage Power (KW)	Group velocity (%c)	Group Delay (ns/100m)	Group Delay (ns/100ft)
4.4	3.69	1.12	8.08	71.4	467.1	142.4
4.5	3.63	1.11	8.21	72.9	457.5	139.5
4.6	3.59	1.09	8.31	74.3	449.1	136.9
4.7	3.55	1.08	8.39	75.5	441.6	134.6
4.8	3.52	1.07	8.45	76.7	434.9	132.6
4.9	3.5	1.07	8.5	77.8	428.9	130.7
5	3.49	1.06	8.54	78.8	423.4	129.1

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Notes VSWR values include connectors and are valid for frequency band of connectors.

Max. Operating Band: 3.90 - 5.00 GHz

Flame and Fire Retardant Meet requirements according:

- IEC 60574-1
- IEC60754-2
- IEC60332-1
- IEC60332-3-24
- UL 1581-1991 Sect. 1080 VW1 Flame Test
- UL 1581-1991 Sect. 1160 Vertical Tray Flame Test

Related Documents



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