PRODUCT DATASHEET

EP78JFN

FLEXWELL® Standard Elliptical Waveguide



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 Technologies 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.

FEATURES / 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		Standard
Jacket		JFN (Polyethylene, Metallhydroxite filling, black)

ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Typical Operating Band	GHz	7.1 - 8.5
Max. VSWR / Return Loss	dB	1.062 / 30.5@ - GHz
Cut-off Frequency	GHz	4.72

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MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Dimension over Jacket	mm (in)	44 x 26 (1.7 x 1.0)
Weight	kg/m (lb/ft)	0.72 (0.48)
Minimum Bending Radius E Plane, Single Bend	mm (in)	200 (8)
Minimum Bending Radius H Plane, Single Bend	mm (in)	500 (20)
Minimum Bending Radius E Plane, Repeated Bends	mm (in)	250 (10)
Minimum Bending Radius H Plane, Repeated Bends	mm (in)	600 (24)
Maximum Twist	degree/m (degree/ft)	5 (1.5)
Max. Operating Pressure	bar (psi)	0.5 (7)
Max. Pulling Length per Hoisting Grip	m (ft)	100 (305)
Standard Hanger Spacing	m (ft)	0.9 (3)

TEMPERATURE SPECIFICATIONS

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

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)
7.1	6.19	1.89	3.44	74.7	446.5	136.1
7.2	6.11	1.86	3.48	75.5	441.7	134.6
7.3	6.05	1.84	3.52	76.3	437.3	133.3
7.4	5.99	1.83	3.56	77	433.1	132
7.5	5.94	1.81	3.59	77.7	429.2	130.8
7.6	5.89	1.79	3.62	78.4	425.6	129.7
7.7	5.84	1.78	3.65	79	422.2	128.7
7.8	5.80	1.77	3.67	79.6	419	127.7
7.9	5.76	1.76	3.70	80.2	416	126.8
8	5.73	1.75	3.72	80.7	413.1	125.9
8.1	5.70	1.74	3.74	81.3	410.5	125.1
8.2	5.67	1.73	3.76	81.8	407.9	124.3
8.3	5.64	1.72	3.77	82.3	405.5	123.6
8.4	5.62	1.71	3.79	82.7	403.2	122.9
8.5	5.60	1.71	3.81	83.2	401.1	122.3

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Notes

VSWR values include connectors and are valid for frequency band of connectors.
Max. Operating Band: 5.90 - 8.50 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

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