



3/8" HELIFLEX® Air-Dielectric Coaxial Cable

**Product Description**

HELIFLEX® 3/8" low loss air dielectric cable; high power

Application: UHF, VHF, High Power



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**Features/Benefits**

- Low Attenuation**  
The low attenuation of HELIFLEX® coaxial cable results in highly efficient signal transfer in your RF system.
- Complete Shielding**  
The solid outer conductor of HELIFLEX® coaxial cable creates a continuous RF/EMI shield that minimizes system interference.
- Low VSWR**  
Special low VSWR versions of HELIFLEX® coaxial cables contribute to low system noise.
- Outstanding Intermodulation Performance**  
HELIFLEX® coaxial cable's solid inner and outer conductors virtually eliminate intermods. Intermodulation performance is also confirmed with state-of-the-art equipment at the RFS factory.
- High Power Rating**  
Due to their low attenuation, outstanding heat transfer properties and temperature stabilized dielectric materials, HELIFLEX® cable provides safe long term operating life at high transmit power levels.
- Wide Range of Application**  
Typical areas of application are: feedlines for broadcast and terrestrial microwave antennas, wireless cellular, PCS and ESMR base stations, cabling of antenna arrays, and radio equipment interconnects.

| Frequency [MHz] | Attenuation |            | Power [kW] |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|------------|
|                 | [dB/100m]   | [dB/100ft] |            |
| 0.5             | 0.190       | 0.0578     | 16.9       |
| 1.0             | 0.268       | 0.0818     | 16.9       |
| 1.5             | 0.329       | 0.100      | 16.9       |
| 2.0             | 0.380       | 0.116      | 16.9       |
| 10              | 0.855       | 0.260      | 11.8       |
| 20              | 1.21        | 0.370      | 8.35       |
| 30              | 1.49        | 0.454      | 6.79       |
| 50              | 1.93        | 0.590      | 5.24       |
| 88              | 2.58        | 0.788      | 3.93       |
| 100             | 2.76        | 0.841      | 3.67       |
| 108             | 2.87        | 0.875      | 3.53       |
| 150             | 3.40        | 1.04       | 2.99       |
| 174             | 3.68        | 1.12       | 2.76       |
| 200             | 3.95        | 1.21       | 2.58       |
| 300             | 4.89        | 1.49       | 2.09       |
| 400             | 5.69        | 1.73       | 1.80       |
| 450             | 6.06        | 1.85       | 1.70       |
| 500             | 6.41        | 1.95       | 1.61       |
| 512             | 6.49        | 1.98       | 1.59       |
| 600             | 7.06        | 2.15       | 1.46       |
| 700             | 7.67        | 2.34       | 1.35       |
| 800             | 8.25        | 2.51       | 1.26       |
| 824             | 8.38        | 2.55       | 1.24       |
| 894             | 8.76        | 2.67       | 1.19       |
| 900             | 8.79        | 2.68       | 1.19       |
| 925             | 8.92        | 2.72       | 1.17       |
| 960             | 9.11        | 2.78       | 1.15       |
| 1000            | 9.31        | 2.84       | 1.13       |
| 1250            | 10.5        | 3.21       | 1.01       |
| 1500            | 11.6        | 3.55       | 0.922      |
| 1700            | 12.5        | 3.80       | 0.862      |
| 1800            | 12.9        | 3.93       | 0.839      |
| 2000            | 13.7        | 4.16       | 0.796      |
| 2200            | 14.4        | 4.39       | 0.763      |
| 2300            | 14.8        | 4.51       | 0.745      |
| 3000            | 17.2        | 5.24       | 0.657      |

Attenuation at 20°C (68°F) cable temperature  
Mean power rating at 40°C (104°F) ambient temperature

**Technical Features**

**Structure**

|                  |                              |           |             |
|------------------|------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Inner conductor: | Copper Wire                  | [mm (in)] | 4 (0.16)    |
| Dielectric:      | Helical Fluoropolymer Spacer | [mm (in)] | 8.6 (0.34)  |
| Outer conductor: | Corrugated Copper            | [mm (in)] | 12.4 (0.49) |
| Jacket:          | Polyethylene, PE             | [mm (in)] | 13.9 (0.55) |

**Mechanical Properties**

|  |                |                       |
|--|----------------|-----------------------|
| Weight, approximately                    | [kg/m (lb/ft)] | 0.3 (0.2)             |
| Minimum bending radius, single bending   | [mm (in)]      | 50 (2)                |
| Minimum bending radius, repeated bending | [mm (in)]      | 150 (6)               |
| Bending moment                           | [Nm (lb-ft)]   | 8 (5.9)               |
| Max. tensile force                       | [N (lb)]       | 1000 (225)            |
| Recommended / maximum clamp spacing      | [m (ft)]       | 0.5 / 0.5 (1.8 / 1.8) |

**Electrical Properties**

|                               |                   |               |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Characteristic impedance      | [Ω]               | 50 +/- 1      |
| Relative propagation velocity | [%]               | 89            |
| Capacitance                   | [pF/m (pF/ft)]    | 74 (22.6)     |
| Inductance                    | [μH/m (μH/ft)]    | 0.185 (0.056) |
| Max. operating frequency      | [GHz]             | 3             |
| Jacket spark test RMS         | [V]               | 8000          |
| Peak power rating             | [kW]              | 16.9          |
| RF Peak voltage rating        | [V]               | 1300          |
| DC-resistance inner conductor | [Ω/km (Ω/1000ft)] | 1.44 (0.44)   |
| DC-resistance outer conductor | [Ω/km (Ω/1000ft)] | 1.63 (0.5)    |

**Recommended Temperature Range**

|                          |           |                         |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Storage temperature      | [°C (°F)] | -70 to 85 (-94 to 185 ) |
| Installation temperature | [°C (°F)] | -40 to 60 (-40 to 140 ) |
| Operation temperature    | [°C (°F)] | -50 to 85 (-58 to 185 ) |

**Other Characteristics**

|                   |  |             |
|-------------------|--|-------------|
| Fire Performance: | Halogene Free  |             |
| VSWR Performance: | Standard   | [dB (VSWR)] |
| Other Options:    | Phase stabilized and phase matched cables and assemblies are available upon request. |             |

Typical 20.8dB (1.2 VSWR) or better within the operation bands of most global frequency ranges. Premium also available. Contact factory for options in your specific frequency band.

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