

Micro-Flex®
Large-Diameter Pipe and Tank Wrap

Description

Micro-Flex large-diameter pipe and tank wrap is a 2.5 pcf (40.1 kg/m³) density product made from high-temperature, semi-rigid fiber glass blanket bonded to a flexible facing. Shipped in roll form, Micro-Flex's unique fiber orientation gives it increased compressive strength and permits close installation on round surfaces without reducing the thickness of insulation resulting in a loss of insulating efficiency. Both All Purpose (AP) and FSK facings are intended for indoor use, and AP facing may be painted with latex paint after installation. The ease of fit is particularly helpful on retrofit installations where existing insulation may result in nonstandard outside diameters.

Uses

Micro-Flex large-diameter pipe and tank wrap is ideally suited for application on rounded shapes such as pipes, tanks, ducts, vessels and other similar round and irregular shapes. For applications requiring a vapor seal, all joints and facing penetrations must be sealed.

Available Types and Sizes of Rolls

Micro-Flex is available in 3-foot (0.92 m) or 4-foot (1.22 m) wide rolls in either AP or FSK facings. For roll lengths, thicknesses and the amount of material per roll, please see List Price Schedule MFX-MI-1.

Advantages

Easy to Apply. For most applications, only a ruler, knife, 3- or 4-inch (76 mm or 102 mm) wide AP or FSK pressure-sensitive tape and stapler are required.

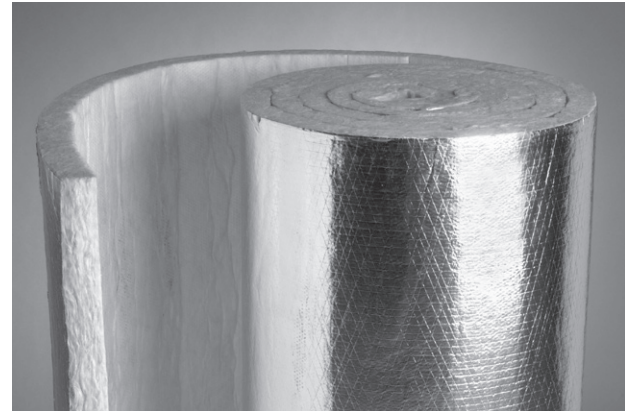
Solid Glass Substrate. The unique fiber manufacturing process results in a continuous monolithic mass of interconnected fibers. There are no segments that are prone to delaminate and fall out during handling and fabrication.

Conforms Around Various Diameters and Shapes. Due to the solid mass of fibers rather than cut-and-glued segments, even small diameter vessels can be wrapped without the worry of the "stop-sign effect."

Low Thermal Conductivity. The unique, uniform fiber orientation and a variety of thicknesses provide a dependable thermal conductivity ("k") of .24 Btu•in/(hr•ft²•°F) at 75°F mean temperature (.035 W/m•°C at 24°C).

Superior Strength. The unique fiber manufacturing process results in a highly durable product that exhibits excellent handling properties during shipping and installation.

Operating Temperature Limits: 0°F to 850°F (-18°C to 454°C)*



Shot-Free Glass Fibers. Due to the advanced fiber-manufacturing process and latest advances in binder technology, Micro-Flex can stand up to the rigors of heavy vibration.

Long Lasting. The continuous fiber blanket remains intact compared to the 4-inch (102 mm) wide strips of conventional pipe and tank insulation, which tend to loosen or fall out over time when the adhesive dries out.

Specification Compliance

ASTM C 1393, Type III A, ASTM E 84, New York City MEA #360-03-E

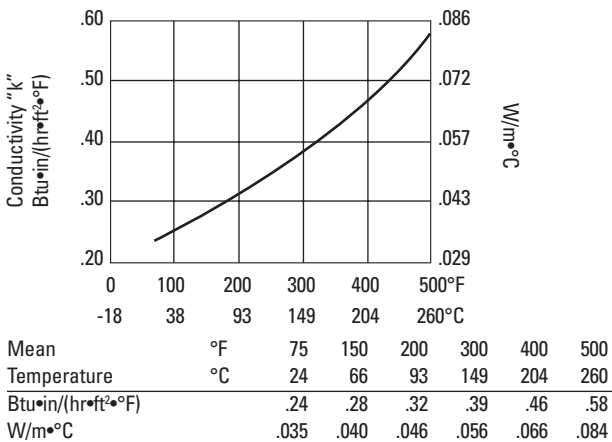
Installation

When applying, simply determine the circumference of the piece being insulated (remember to add twice the thickness of insulation being used to the diameter). Add 2 to 4 inches (51 mm to 102 mm) for lap seam and cut to length. Remove 2 to 4 inches (51 mm to 102 mm) of glass to provide for the lap. Care should be taken to not cut through the facing. Lap seams should be stapled with outward-clinching staples placed on maximum 4-inch (102 mm) centers. For vapor retarder applications, the staples must be coated with a vapor retarder mastic for a complete vapor seal. All longitudinal and circumferential joints should be sealed with a 3- or 4-inch (76 mm or 102 mm) wide pressure-sensitive tape. For some applications, banding may be required for additional securement.

**A sufficient thickness of properly installed insulation must be used to prevent insulation surface temperature from exceeding 150°F (66°C). A minimum 1½-inch (38 mm) thickness of insulation is required for operating temperatures above 350°F (177°C).*

Note: For additional application or installation recommendations, please consult Johns Manville.

Thermal Conductivity "k" (ASTM C 518)



Physical Properties

Property	Value	ASTM Test Method
Maximum Use Temperature	850°F (454°C)	C 411
Density	2.5 pcf (40.1 kg/m ³)	C 303
Compressive Resistance	25 psf (1,197 Pa)	C 165
Composite Surface		E 84
Burning Characteristics		
Flame Spread	25 or Less	
Smoke Developed	50 or Less	
Facing Temperature Limit	150°F (66°C)	C 1136
Water Vapor Permeance	0.02 Perms	E 96

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Micro-Flex Stretch-Out Chart (I-P Units)

Approximate length in inches to cut rolls to fit large pipes and ducts.

Nominal Pipe Size (in.*)	Pipe Outside Diameter (in.*)	Thickness (in.)						
		1	1½	2	2½	3	3½	4
10	10¼	40%	44%	47%	50%	53%	56%	59%
12	12¼	47	50½	53¾	56½	59%	62½	66
14	14	50%	53¾	56%	59%	62%	66	69¼
16	16	57%	60%	63¾	66	69%	72%	75¼
18	18	63%	66½	69%	72%	75%	78%	81½
20	20	70	72½	75%	78%	81½	84¾	87%
22	22	76	78¾	82	84¾	87%	91%	94¼
24	24	82%	85%	88¼	91%	94%	97¾	100%
26	26	88%	91%	94%	97%	100%	103½	106%
28	28	95	97¾	101	103½	106%	109¾	113
30	30	101¾	103¾	107	109¾	113	116½	119¼

*These dimensions do not include a lap. You must ADD 2 to 4 inches for lap.

Micro-Flex Stretch-Out Chart (SI Units)

Approximate length in mm to cut rolls to fit large pipes and ducts.

Nominal Pipe Size (mm*)	Pipe Outside Diameter (mm*)	Thickness (mm)						
		25	38	51	64	76	89	102
250	273	1014	1104	1184	1253	1333	1412	1492
300	324	1174	1263	1343	1412	1490	1572	1651
350	356	1273	1343	1422	1492	1571	1651	1731
400	406	1432	1502	1581	1651	1731	1802	1881
450	457	1591	1661	1740	1802	1881	1960	2039
500	508	1751	1812	1891	1960	2039	2118	2198
550	559	1901	1970	2049	2118	2198	2277	2356
600	610	2059	2128	2208	2277	2356	2435	2514
650	660	2217	2287	2366	2435	2514	2587	2666
700	711	2376	2445	2524	2587	2666	2745	2824
750	762	2534	2597	2676	2745	2824	2903	2982

*These dimensions do not include a lap. You must ADD 51 mm to 102 mm for lap.

EXAMPLE:

To use Micro-Flex large-diameter pipe and tank wrap instead of 20-inch x 2-inch (500 mm x 51 mm) pipe covering:

1. Cut piece 78¾ inches (1991 mm) long (75¾ inches [1915 mm] plus 3 inches [76 mm] for lap).
2. Strip off 3 inches (76 mm) of the fiber glass leaving the jacket intact.
3. Physically apply to the pipe the first section cut of any size to verify dimensional fit.
4. You now have a section that will cover a 3-foot (0.92 m) section of 20-inch (500 mm) pipe.

In order to determine the length for pipe sizes not in the table:

1. Add twice the thickness of the insulation to the outside diameter of the pipe.
2. Multiply this value by 3.14.
3. Add 2 to 4 inches (51 mm to 102 mm) for a lap.



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