

CONFLEX Conducting Spring Materials

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Product Overview

Conflex conducting spring materials offer cost and performance advantages over traditional current-carrying spring materials, such as solid copper, beryllium copper, and phosphor bronze, by combining the strength and spring properties of steel with the conductivity of copper. Virtually any combination of strength, elasticity, and conductivity is achievable with the proper material selection and placement in the clad composite. Typical applications include electrical contact blades, carrier strips, switch components, sliding contact fingers, pressure diaphragms, grounding strips, terminals, fuse clips and many other applications requiring structural strength combined with electrical and thermal conductivity.





Product Description

EMS Material Designation	CONFLEX 326
Composition	Copper / 1065 Steel / Copper
Ratio	10 / 80 / 10

Chemical Composition

UNS	Grade Eur	<u>Chemistry (%)</u>
C10200	OF-Cu	Cu+Ag 99.95 min., O 0.0010 max.
G10650	DIN 1.123	C 0.60-0.70, Mn 0.60-0.90, P 0.04 max., S 0.05 max.
Physical Properties	ENGLISH	METRIC

Density	0.291	lb / in ³	8.05	g / cm ³
Electrical Conductivity	26	%IACS	0.151	μS / cm
Electrical Resistivity	39.9	cir mil ohm / ft	6.6	µohms-cm
Modulus of Elasticity	22,000	Kpsi	152	GPa
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion	7.30	µin /in-°F	13.1	μm / m- °C
Maximum Service Temperature	200 - 300	°F	93 - 150	°C

Mechanical Properties (Typical) (Annealed) See table for other tempers	ENGLISH		METR	RIC
Yield Strength 0.2%offset	58	Kpsi	400	MPa
Tensile Strength	68	Kpsi	469	MPa
Elongation 2" gage length	30	%	30	%
Hardness (Steel layer)	170	HV	87	Rockwell B

Formability



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The high carbon steel core produces a clad composite with good formability and excellent spring properties.

Process Design

CONFLEX is typically provided fully annealed or with a cold rolled temper. If a heat treated temper is required, it is normal to perform this after parts fabrication. Standard heat treatment procedure is to anneal the product between 1,500 - 1,550 °F (815 - 840 °C) for 2 - 5 minutes, quench, and then heat treat for 30 minutes at the target tempering temperature.

System	System Components Ratio		Condition	Tensile Strength		0.2% Yield Strength		Elongation	Hardness (Steel)	
				KPsi	MPa	KPsi	MPa	(% in 2")	Vickers	Rockwell
			Annealed	68	469	58	400	30	170	B87
OF Copper 1		21% Cold Work Temper	98	676	88	607	8	257	C24	
	10%	37% Cold Work Temper	118	814	107	738	6	302	C30	
226	1065 Steel	80%	60% Cold Work Temper	138	951	129	889	3	340	C35
OF Copper	10%	Heat Treat Temper, 900°F	150	1034	130	896	7	390	C40	
			Heat Treat Temper, 700°F	190	1310	170	1172	6	485	C48
			Heat Treat Temper, 500°F	220	1517	200	1379	4	610	C56

Availability	
Gauge	0.0030 - 0.0600 inches (0.08 - 1.5 mm)
Width	Widths up to 20 inches (508 mm) available.
Ratio	Others available upon request
Surface	Bright (polished) or matte
Temper	Annealed, cold rolled, and heat treated tempers available.
Form	Coils or sheets

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