

# PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# **K-FLEX<sup>®</sup> CORK TAPE** Self-adhesive insulation tape

## Description

K-FLEX<sup>®</sup> Cork Tape is a cork-filled (55% by volume), rubber-based mastic material that has a grainy, rubber-like consistency.

K-FLEX® Cork Tape is sufficiently soft and pliable and can be applied to all diameter pipes, fittings and connections by spiral winding (removing the release paper as the tape is wrapped). Stretching should be avoided, edges may be butted or overlapped, and seams should be sealed with proper pressure. The product adheres well to most clean, dry surfaces and to itself, making it possible to apply more than one layer without the use of adhesives. Two layers can be achieved on one pass by overlapping the previous wind by 50%. Three layers can be achieved by butting the edges together on the first wind and then following the two-layer procedure on the second wind.

## Applications

K-FLEX® Cork Tape is recommended for applications with service temperatures ranging from -20°F (-29°C) to +190°F (+88°C). The product is used to retard heat gain/loss on below-ambient to medium hot applications.

It is ideal for insulating short runs of pipes or valves and fittings where it is impractical to install tubing insulation. The tape can be applied in multiple layers to meet various service conditions.

## Installation

K-FLEX<sup>®</sup> Cork Tape is flexible (even at low temperatures), durable (non-fracturing and resistant to tearing from handling and environment), safe to handle (non-dusting and non-abrasive), and lightweight for an efficient installation.

K-FLEX recommends that insulation is installed on non-operational systems with clean, dry surfaces in ambient conditions between 40°F and 100°F.

## Packaging

Code	Size	Qty. per Case	Lbs. per Case	Cubic Ft per Case
83040	2" x 1/8" x 30'	12	36	.11



### **Characteristics | Features**

- Flexible
- Fits all diameter pipes, fittings and connections
- Rubber-based mastic material

## **Technical Data**

Physical Properties	K-Flex Cork Tape	Test Methods	
Main Composition	Polymer-based material containing butyl rubber, asphalt, and granulated cork (55% by volume)		
Specific Gravity	75±.05	ASTM D71	
Solids Content	99.8%	ASTM C771	
Thermal Conductivity (Btu/Ft2-hr-°F/in)	1.26	ASTM C177	
Operating Temperature Range	-20°F (-29°C) to +190°F (+88°C)		
Water Vapor Permeability (Procedure C)	<0.21 perms	ASTM E96	
Water Absorption (% by volume)	0.02%	ASTM D1056	
Flash Point	>+390°F (+199°C)	DIN 1988	
Ozone Resistance	Excellent		
Flexibility	Excellent		
Odor	Slight Odor of Asphalt		
Freight Classification	Class 55, Item #149610, NOIBN		
Elongation	50% minimum	Internal test method	
Direct Tension Adhesion	12 psi minimum	ASTM C987	
Peel off Force	30 N (6.75 lbs) minimum	Internal test method	

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