

TE's Raychem Cable Accessories



Installation Instruction EPP-1697-7/18

Outdoor Termination with Composite Insulator for Polymeric Insulated Corrugated Metal Sheath

Up to $U_m = 170 \text{ kV}$

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General Instructions

Before Starting

- Check the kit label and the title of the installation instructions to prove that the cable accessory you are going to use matches the cable.
- Make sure the cable is properly sealed.
- Make sure the cable is in the final installation position.
- Make sure the cable is straight at the jointing position.
- Check the position of the cables to be in alignment to the final position of the accessories.
- Make sure the joint bay/installation area provides adequate space for the cable components to be parked on either cable for later use during the installation.
- The joint bay/Installation area must be kept clean and dry during installation. For outdoor installation use tent or other appropriate shelter.
- Carefully read and follow the steps in the installation instructions. Components or working steps may have been changed/improved since you last installed this product.
- All tools, PPE and apparatus used must be kept clean during the installation.
- Obey relevant and local security and safety rules during the installation.

Shrinking Heat-Shrink Tubing

Use a propane (preferred) or butane gas torch.

Ensure the torch is always used in a well-ventilated environment.

Adjust the torch to obtain a soft blue flame with a yellow tip. Pencil-like blue flames should be avoided.

Keep the torch aimed in the shrink direction to preheat the material.

Keep the flame moving continuously to avoid scorching the material.

Clean and degrease all parts that will come into contact with adhesives.

If a solvent is used follow the manufacturer's handling instructions.

Start shrinking the tubing at the position recommended in the instructions.

Ensure that the tubing is shrunk smoothly all around before continuing along the cable.

Tubing should be smooth and wrinkle free with inner components clearly defined.

Stripping the Cable

Use appropriate stripping tools for smooth and even insulation diameter.

Adjust the stripping tool to the thickness of the semi-conductive layer. Avoid removing too much of the insulation. Polish the stripped surface by hand using the supplied abrasive paper beginning with the lowest grid size, or by an appropriate sanding machine and abrasive paper and grades. The surface of the insulation must be even and free of all traces of conductive material.

Cables with Segmented Conductors

All cut back dimensions and information given in this instructions document refer to cables with non-segmented conductors only. In case of cables with segmented conductors, all insulation or conductive materials have to be removed from the conductor. If the removal of these materials require a longer cut back of the cable insulation, this length needs to be added to the cable cut back dimensions mentioned in the instructions. NOTE: Special instructions for segmented conductors are available on request.

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A Straightening and Heating the Cable

In the case of cables with corrugated metal sheath, the straightening and heating of the cable will be carried out after removing the outer jacket and metal sheath.

For this reason, continue with step B.

B. Marking Reference Lines

Temporarily fix the support insulators (7) to the base plate (6) with the larger screws.

Position the support insulators and base plate on the support rack.

NOTE

If necessary, check and adjust the bores on the support rack: The support insulators have to be installed in a plane. If there is a gap between the support rack and any of the support insulators, use the inserting noncorrosive metal spacers to adjust it.

Firmly fix the support insulators to the support rack with the shorter screws.

Place the cable gland (8) into the base plate. Make sure it fits properly (see **detail a**).



Mark on the cable the upper mark (UM) next to the uppermost edge and the lower mark (LM) next to the lowermost edge of the cable gland (8) using a marking pen or PVC tape as shown. Make sure that the remaining cable length above UM is greater than L.



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Measure the length L of the insulator (5) as shown.

Remove the cable gland and base plate. Leave the support insulators.

Remove the graphite coating or seminconductive layer, if any, up to 400 mm **below** the **lower mark**. If the cable has no graphite coating, clean the outer jacket up to 400 mm **below** the **lower mark**.

Cover the cable with crepe paper below the cleaned surface for protecting the long tube.

Slide the long tube (**11**) over the covered cable surface.



C. Removing the Outer Jacket



Remove the outer jacket (**110**) and bedding 100 mm below the lower mark (**LM**).

Remove the CCS/CAS (108) at the upper mark (UM).



Apply spacers of crepe paper on the semicon layer (**104**) in the positions shown.

Train the cable end in the straight installation position and fix it. Heat the entire cable by applying a heating device to the outer jacket as shown in the table. Before stripping to the required dimensions the cable needs to be cooled down to ambient temperature using slide rails.

Remove the aluminium tube.

Cable cross section	Heating time/ temperature
Up to 400 mm ²	4h/80° C
Up to 1200 mm ²	5h/80° C
Up to 2500 mm ²	6h/80° C



The inner diameter of the Al-tube should not be more than 10 mm bigger then the outer diameter of the semicon outer layer.

D ≤ d + 10 mm

Slide the aluminium tube over the cable until it is positioned on the metal sheath rim.



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D. Preparations of the Cable Screen/Sheath



445 mm above the lower mark (**LM**), apply a 50 mm wide packing of textile tape (**21**) as shown. 100 mm above the lower mark, wrap a second 50 mm wide packing of textile tape starting as shown.

D = Inner diameter of the gland

E. Mounting the Cable Gland





Mount the base plate (6).

Fasten the screws on the base plate with a maximum torque of 90 Nm.

Mount the cable gland (8).

NOTE

Make sure the cable gland plate fits properly in the base plate at any spot (see detail a).

Abrade, degrease and clean the cable outer jacket (**110**), the cable gland (**8**) and the corrugated metal sheath (**108**).

Wrap two contact bands (18) around the cable gland and fix them with two to three layers of copper mesh tape (15).

Arrange the copper braids (**19**) on the cable gland as shown in the drawing and fix them temporarily with PVC tape. Fasten the copper braids with a armour clamp (**20**).

Cable with corrugated aluminium sheath:

Wrap two contact bands (18) around the corrugated metal sheath and fix them with two to three layers of copper mesh tape (15). Remove the PVC tape and bend down the copper braids (19). Fasten the copper braids with a second armour clamp on the cable gland (8).

Connect the copper braids to the corrugated metal sheath using another armour clamp.

Make sure the copper braids are loose so that the last armour clamp does not pull them back when tightened.



Cable with corrugated copper sheath:

Remove the PVC tape and bend down the copper braids (**19**). Fasten the copper braids with a second armour clamp on the cable gland (**8**).

Connect the copper braids to the corrugated metal sheath using another armour clamp.

Make sure the copper braids are loose so that the last armour clamp does not pull them back when tightened.



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Fasten the copper braids (**19**) with the last armour clamp (**20**) as shown.







Preheat the gland stud (8).



Wrap 1 layer of black mastic (**22**) around the gland above the textile tape.

Position the long tube (**11**) on the gland stud and shrink it into place. Start shrinking at the top and move downwards.



The tube is fully shrunk when the outer surface is smooth, has a glossy appearance and a flow of sealant is visible at each open end. Intimate surface contact should be made along the whole tube length, conforming to the profile of the components underneath. The tubing should be smooth and wrinkle free.



Cover the hose clamps with textile tape (21).

Wrap 1 layer of black mastic tape (**22**) around the outer jacket cut below the textile tape.

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H. Cutting the Cable to Length



Straighten the cable carefully.

If the cable is bent while you are measuring, you may cut the cable to the wrong length. **Make sure the cable is straight.**



Protect the base plate (6) with plastic foil.

Table 2		
I (mm)	125	160
a (mm)	85	70

Measure the bottom part I of the cable lug as shown.





Measure the height L of the composite insulator (5).

Starting out from the base plate (6) as shown, measure and mark L on the cable.

NOTE

Make sure you measure from the mounting area of the base plate (see detail).

Cut the cable according to the length a in table 2 below L.

I. Stripping the Semicon Layer



Remove the outer semicon layer (104) to within 290 mm from the base plate (6).

Make sure the cutting depth of the stripping tool is adjusted accurately so it removes the outer semicon layer entirely but does not cut into the insulation (**103**).

The insulation must be free from all traces of conductive material.

NOTE

Polish the insulation. See "General Instructions". **Do not damage the insulation.**

Chamfer the outer semicon layer on the cut between 20 - 30 mm.

Polish the insulation up to 300 mm above the screen cut. Check dimension **D** as in **Table 1**. **D** must be within the given tolerances.

Make sure that the transition from the outer semicon layer to the insulation corresponds in terms of shape and max. height with the wave shown in the detail.

Table 1

Application range of the stress cone sizes

Tyco description	Cable Core D* (mm)
HVCA-XHVT145-SCONE-34/44	34 - 44
HVCA-XHVT145-SCONE-43/52	43 - 52
HVCA-XHVT145-SCONE-50/58	50 - 58
HVCA-XHVT145-SCONE-56/66	56 - 66
HVCA-XHVT145-SCONE-64/74	64 - 75
HVCA-XHVT145-SCONE-72/83	72 - 84
HVCA-XHVT145-SCONE-81/97	81 - 97
HVCA-XHVT145-SCONE-95/108	95 - 108

*The limit values are valid for the finally prepared cable (after peeling and grinding). For peeling it must be considered that subsequent grinding will reduce the diameter by 0.5 - 1 mm.

J. Preparing the Conductor



Measure the bottom part I of the cable lug as shown.



Table 3		
l (mm)	125	160
b (mm)	90	135

According to the measured length **I** remove the cable insulation (**103**) for the length of dimension **b** as shown in table **3**.

Chamfer the insulation and deburr the edges with sandpaper.

Remove all insulation or conductiv materials from the conductor.

Clean the cable insulation thoroughly using the supplied cable cleaner.

NOTE

Removal of waterblocking materials must be carried out.

Check if the diameter over cable conductor is within the application range of cable lug according to packaging label.

Protect the conductor with PVC tape (**23**).

K. Installing the Sealing System and Stress Cone



Do not interrupt the following installation steps until the termination has been completed.



Wrap one layer of yellow mastic with an overlap of 50% onto the cable. Stretch the tape by 50% during wrapping. Wrap the mastic starting 20 mm from the base plate to 180 mm above the base plate (see drawing).

NOTE

Ensure that the diameter of yellow mastic over the gland is less than the diameter of MWTM provided (see detail).

NOTE

Put aside 2 strips of yellow mastic (used later for cable lug installation).

Mark 50 mm on the outer semicon layer (**104**) measured down from the highest point of the wave.



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Slide the short **uncoated** heat-shrink tube (**length 200 mm**) over the cable down to the base plate and shrink it into place.

Start shrinking at bottom and move upwards.

Thoroughly lubricate the cable insulation up to 150 mm above the mark. Lubricate the inner part of the stress cone by using the supplied PVC stick.

NOTE

Wash and clean your hands before. Push the stress cone with twisting movement onto the cable core until its collar reaches the ungreased cable insulation 150 mm above the mark. Remove the piled up silicone grease at the collar of the stress cone.





Push the stress cone with a twisting movement until its collar reaches the mark on the outer semicon layer.

Measure the distance $\mathbf{L}_{\mathrm{s}}.$ Note the dimension down to the installation protocol.



Clean the cable and all parts installed.

Temporarily apply several layers of transparent tape around the cable insulation above the stress cone (**12**). Wrap the tape tightly in order to keep the stress cone in place.



Wrap all silicone tape with an overlap of 50 % onto the heat-shrink tube, the cable and stress cone.

Starting 20 mm on the heat-shrink tube, move up and cover the stress cone collar. Do not apply tape onto the stress cone shoulder.



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L. Installing the Cable Lug



Remove the PVC tape from the conductor (**101**).

Temporarily place the lug (1) including the support nut (4) on the conductor.

NOTE

Do not shear off the bolts.



Check the distance between the base plate (6) and the top of the support nut (4). Adjust the distance exactly to the height of the composite insulator (5). If this is not possible, rework the cable.

NOTE

Make sure you measure from the highest point of the base plate (see detail). Check all dimensions before you continue with step L3.

NOTE

Make sure the support nut is placed on the lug between 75 mm and 85 mm measured from the top of the thread (see detail).

Tighten the bolts of the lug.

Shear off the bolts starting with the lower one. Use a common box spanner or spanner.





Degrease and clean the lug (1) and the cable insulation (103).

Remove the support nut.



Preheat the lug (1).

Fill the gap between the lug (1) and the cable insulation (103) with yellow mastic tape (13).

Apply one layer of yellow mastic on the cable lug. Start 10 mm above the upper bolt and stop 20 mm below the lug on the insulation.



Position the short tube (**10**) on the lug (**1**) as shown. Shrink the tube in place starting from the top 10 mm below the edge as shown.



The tube is fully shrunk when the outer surface is smooth, has a glossy appearance and a flow of sealant is visible at each open end.

Let the tube cool down.



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M. Mounting the Insulator



Remove the transparent tape from above the stress cone.



Remove the protection materials from the stress cone (**12**).

Clean and degrease all parts installed using a cleaning tissue.

Check L_s and compare with the value taken before. The difference has to be within the tolerance of ± 10 mm.



Don't use other cleaning liquid or solvent to clean the prepared area.

Place the O-ring into the groove of the cable gland $(\mathbf{8})$ as shown.





Thoroughly clean the composite insulator (5) inside and outside.

NOTE

Make sure that all parts are clean and free from any contamination.



Carefully slide the composite insulator (5) over the cable assembly, the larger bottom flange first.

Grease the bolts with silicone grease. Fix the composite insulator (5) to the base plate (6) as shown. Tighten the bolts cross-wise (see detail).

Torque = 55 Nm.



Clean the nozzles of the containers full of filling compound (9) before opening. Carefully fill the filling compound into the composite insulator (5) (see General Instructions).



Check the filling level. Make sure the filling compound level is 100 mm below the top of the composite insulator (5).

See installation drawing for inclination up to 45° .



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N. Installing the Top Plate



Grease the support nut (4). Slide the support nut over the lug (1).



Adjust the support nut (4) temporarily so its surface **is flush with** the top of the composite insulator (5).



Screw up the support nut by 3 turns.

Slide the 2 O-rings over the lug (1). Position the O-rings in the lug grooves as shown and lubricate them with silicone grease.



Place the sealing ring in the groove of the housing flange. Grease the O-rings.



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Make sure the pins of the support nut fit into the 2 holes in the top plate (see detail).

Fix the top plate (3) to the composite insulator (5) as shown in the detail. Use a torque of 55 Nm.



Grease the top nut (2) inside with silicone grease. Slide the top nut over the lug (1) and fix it firmly to the top plate (3).



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Screw the top plate (**3**) and sealing ring down until the top plate touches the flange of the composite insulator (**5**). Turn the top plate one more turn. Make sure its holes are in line with the holes of the composite insulator. Grease the O-ring.

Slide the O-ring over the lug and position it in the groove between the lug and the the top plate.

Termination completed.

Connect the base plate (6) of the termination to the grounding system of the electric unit, considering the cross section of the cable screen.

Please regard the local requirements.

Please dispose of all waste according to environmental regulations.



