



FLEXWELL® elliptical waveguide is constructed of longitudinally continuous seam welded, highly conductive copper tube, corrugated and precision formed into an elliptical cross section. It is manufactured in continuous lengths using a special seam welding process developed by the RFS organization.

The corrugation design achieves high transverse stability, flexibility and crush strength for superior handling and forming at an installation. The inherent strength and flexibility of FLEXWELL® waveguide allows on location, a continuous length of waveguide to be run directly from a tower-mounted antenna to the equipment building.

A FLEXWELL® elliptical waveguide feeder requires less planning and reduces installation costs when compared to a feeder system using a rigid rectangular waveguide.

FLEXWELL® waveguide is available cut to length with factory attached connectors or in continuous lengths for termination in the field.

FEATURES / BENEFITS

- Designed for optimum system performance
- Excellent electrical performance
- Low loss and low VSWR (low return loss)
- Electrical test made on every waveguide during manufacturing
- Every waveguide undergoes 24 hour pressure test
- Reduced installation cost compared to rigid rectangular waveguides due to flexibility
- No need of flange joints, twist section and bends
- Easy transportation in coils or on drums
- Cutting at exact length and connectorizing in the field



Technical features

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Performance		Standard
Jacket		J (Polyethylene black)

ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Typical Operating Band	GHz	17.3 - 19.7
Max. VSWR / Return Loss	dB	1.15 / 23.1@ - GHz
Cut-off Frequency	GHz	11.06

MECHANICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Dimension over Jacket	mm (in)	21 x 13 (0.8 x 0.5)
Weight	kg/m (lb/ft)	0.23 (0.15)
Minimum Bending Radius E Plane, Single Bend	mm (in)	130 (5)
Minimum Bending Radius H Plane, Single Bend	mm (in)	280 (11)
Minimum Bending Radius E Plane, Repeated Bends	mm (in)	130 (5)
Minimum Bending Radius H Plane, Repeated Bends	mm (in)	300 (12)
Maximum Twist	degree/m (degree/ft)	8 (2.4)
Max. Operating Pressure	bar (psi)	0.5 (7)
Max. Pulling Length per Hoisting Grip	m (ft)	100 (305)
Standard Hanger Spacing	m (ft)	0.6 (2)

**TEMPERATURE SPECIFICATIONS**

Installation Temperature	°C (°F)	-40 to 60 (-40 to 140)
Storage Temperature	°C (°F)	-70 to 85 (-94 to 185)
Operation Temperature	°C (°F)	-50 to 85 (-58 to 185)

ATTENUATION AND POWER RATING

Frequency (GHz)	Attenuation dB/100m	Attenuation dB/100ft	Average Power (KW)	Group velocity (%c)	Group Delay (ns/100m)	Group Delay (ns/100ft)
17.3	20.25	6.17	0.49	76.9	433.8	132.2
17.4	20.17	6.15	0.49	77.2	432.1	131.7
17.5	20.09	6.12	0.50	77.5	430.4	131.2
17.6	20.01	6.10	0.50	77.8	428.8	130.7
17.7	19.94	6.08	0.50	78.1	427.2	130.2
17.8	19.86	6.05	0.50	78.4	425.7	129.8
17.9	19.80	6.03	0.50	78.6	424.2	129.3
18	19.73	6.01	0.51	78.9	422.8	128.9
18.1	19.66	5.99	0.51	79.2	421.4	128.4
18.2	19.60	5.97	0.51	79.4	420	128
18.3	19.54	5.96	0.51	79.7	418.7	127.6
18.4	19.48	5.94	0.51	79.9	417.4	127.2
18.5	19.43	5.92	0.51	80.2	416.1	126.8
18.6	19.37	5.90	0.51	80.4	414.9	126.5
18.7	19.32	5.89	0.52	80.6	413.7	126.1
18.8	19.27	5.87	0.52	80.9	412.5	125.7
18.9	19.22	5.86	0.52	81.1	411.4	125.4
19	19.17	5.84	0.52	81.3	410.2	125
19.1	19.12	5.83	0.52	81.5	409.1	124.7
19.2	19.08	5.82	0.52	81.7	408.1	124.4
19.3	19.04	5.80	0.52	82	407	124.1
19.4	18.99	5.79	0.52	82.2	406	123.8
19.5	18.95	5.78	0.53	82.4	405	123.4
19.6	18.91	5.76	0.53	82.6	404	123.2
19.7	18.88	5.75	0.53	82.8	403.1	122.9

External Document Links**Notes**

VSWR values include connectors and are valid for frequency band of connectors.

Max. Operating Band: 13.70 - 19.70 GHz