PROTO FITTING COVERS

25/50 RATED
PER ASTM E-84 — LoSMOKE® PVC

SUBMITTAL SHEET

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LoSMOKE® PVC JACKETING

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PVC FITTING COVERS, PRE-MOLDED, INSULATED
WHITE GLOSS FINISH — INDOOR OUTDOOR GRADE

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DESCRIPTION

The Proto Fitting Cover System consists of one piece and two piece pre-molded high impact LoSMOKE® PVC fitting covers with fiberglass inserts and accessories, which include elbows, tee/valves, end caps, mechanical line couplings, specialty fittings, white and indoor color jacketing, Protop® Tank End Panels, tack fasteners, tapes and specialty items.

APPLICATIONS

The Proto Fitting Cover System is used to insulate mechanical piping systems at fitting locations and provide a PVC jacketing for straight run piping. Both give a quality appearance and have excellent durability.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

25/50 Rated. All Proto PVC Fittings are made of LoSMOKE® grade PVC. Roll Jacketing is available in either 25/50 rated or regular PVC Grade (not 25/50 rated). The 25/50 products meet fire and smoke safety requirements of federal, state and local building codes.

Excellent Appearance. Bright high-gloss white coloring adds a distinct quality appearance to the system. The standard line of Proto Fitting Covers are made in LoSMOKE® PVC designed for indoor and outdoor use. Virtually all sizes pass 25/50 when made of LoSMOKE® PVC. Colored PVC is manufactured from a LoSMOKE® formula that is suitable for indoor use only.

Easy To Clean. Due to the smooth, high gloss finish on Proto PVC Fittings, the product cleans easily with soap and water. This makes the system ideal for food and drug facilities.

Low Cost Installation. Significant cost savings vs. conventional cement, molded sections, and mitered sections.

Fast and Easy. At fitting locations, wrap the fiberglass insert around the pipe fitting, apply the Proto PVC Fitting over the insert and tack or tape in place. Do not use tacks where a vapor retarder is applied.

Wide Temperature Range. May be used for mechanical piping systems operating from -20°F to +140°F surface temperature of insulation. Variety: LoSMOKE®, Indoor/Outdoor, Exod®, Exotuff®. Proto products are also available in LoSMOKE® Indoor colors. Exod® is CPVC, GOOD TO 225° F.

Long Lasting. Can be used more than once on retrofit projects, general maintenance.

Excellent Thermal Value. K value of .26 at 75°F (.037 W/m °C at 24°C) of fiberglass insert, mean temperature assures better thermal efficiency than conventional cement fittings.

Resistance To Fungi and Bacteria. (ASTM G 21, ASTM G 22) Does not promote growth of fungi or bacteria.

U.V. Resistant. Can be used on indoor or outdoor applications, for both (White) LoSMOKE® PVC and Regular PVC. Extra thick fitting covers should be used outdoors. (All Std. Proto Fitting covers are made of LoSMOKE® PVC.)

TECHNICAL PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF PVC LoSMOKE® MATERIALS

Specific Gravity (ASTM D-792) 1.41
Tensile Modulus, PSI (ASTM D-638) . . . . . .361,000 (25,380 kg/cm²)
Tensile Strength, PSI (ASTM D-638) 6,011
Flexural Strength, PSI (ASTM D-790) 9,396
Izod Impact (1/4") ft. lb./in (ASTM D-256) 3.7
Heat Deflection Temp. (ASTM D-648) . . . . . .157°F (70°C)
at 264 PSI (8.95 kg/cm²), °F
VICAT Softening Temp. (ASTM D-1525) . . . . . .198°F (92°C)

Water Vapor Transmission
ASTM E 96-95
70°F & 50% Relative Humidity
.015" thick = .058
.020" thick = .047
.030" thick = .027

Surface Burning Characteristics of All Fitting Covers and Jacketing
LoSMOKE® PVC . . . . . .passes 25/50 ASTM-E 84
Up to .030" Thk.
Puncture Resistance (ASTM D 781) . . .006" thick = 178 Beach Units
.015" thick = 221 Beach Units

FEDERAL SPECIFICATIONS COMPLIANCE—

POLY VINYL CHLORIDE — ASTM 1784-92

LP-1035A Type II Grade GU and Type III

LP-535E Type II Grade GU and Type III

United States Department of Agriculture Authorized
Agriculture Canada Authorized
New York City MEA 243-84-M, Chicago, Los Angeles ASTM C-585-76 (sizes)
Canada CAN/CGSB - 51.53-95

TECHNICAL PROPERTIES OF FIBERGLASS INSERT MATERIAL

Thermal Conductivity (ASTM C 177)

Mean Temperature –	°F	"k" — BTU in/hr. Ft.2 °F
HH-I-558 Form B	75° 1(24°C)	.26 (.037 W/m. °C)
Type 1 Class B	150° 1(66°C)	.33 (.048 W/m. °C)
	250° (121°C)	.44 (.063 W/m. °C)

APPLICATION AND SPECIFICATION GUIDELINES

A. STORAGE

Protect cartons from water damage or other abuse. Proto Fitting Cover cartons are not designed for outside storage.

B. PREPARATION

Proto Fitting Covers should be applied on clean, dry surfaces.

C. APPLICATION

1. **General:** The matching fiberglass insert shall be wrapped completely around the metal fitting leaving no voids. Loose wrappings of twine is helpful in shaping difficult surfaces. The Proto Fitting Cover shall then be applied over the fitting and insert, and the throat secured by either tack fastening or taping.

2. **Cold Pipe:** Fitting systems below ambient temperature must have a continuous vapor retarder or vapor retardant mastic as specified by the engineer. When using Proto PVC Tape, a 2" (51mm) minimum downward overlap is recommended for optimum performance. Care should be taken not to stretch the last 2" (51mm) of Proto PVC Tape, to avoid stretching or creeping.

3. **Hot Pipe:** Insulate as per General Instructions given above. Due to PVC softening point at approximately 159°F (70.6°C), care should be taken to ensure sufficient insulation thicknesses are applied.

For hot piping which requires Pipe Insulation over 1 1/2" (38 mm) wall thickness, an extra fiberglass insert shall be applied for each additional inch of pipe insulation wall thickness. Proto recommends the surface temperature of the Pipe Insulation and PVC to be no higher than 125°F (52°C). To complete application of Proto PVC Fittings on hot piping, the throat seam shall be tack fastened or taped. Seal all laps outdoors and in wash down areas.

CAUTION: During initial heat-up to operating temperatures above 350°F, (177°C) an acrid odor and some smoke may be given off as a portion of the bonding material used in the insulation begins to undergo a controlled decomposition. If natural convection is not adequate in confined areas, forced ventilation should be provided in order to protect against any harmful fumes and vapors that might be generated.

4. **Outdoor Pipe:** Insulate as per above instructions.

Minimum Proto PVC Jacketing thickness for outdoor applications should be .030" (.7 mm). Over 15" O.D., .040 is recommended. Under 3 1/8" O.D., .020 is permitted. The PVC Jacketing shall be overlapped a minimum of 2" (51 mm) on the down side so as to shed water. All long and round joints shall be completely weather sealed with caulk adhesive.

On all piping, insulation shall be of sufficient thickness to keep the surface temperature below 125°F (52°C). Additionally, a slip type expansion joint of 8" (202 mm) minimum width shall be applied at least every 25 lineal feet (6.1 lineal meters) and between fittings.

Indoor Painting: Painting must be done only after priming the PVC surface with a suitable primer, such as X-1-M 400W Primer, or a similar, approved product. Test paint a section before proceeding.

Outdoor Painting: Only over White Exotuff® 195°F deflection temp. (modified PVC) or EXOD™ 225°F deflection temp. CPVC after X-1-M primer, or a similar, approved product. Use PVC compatible paints without strong solvents. Test paint a section before proceeding.

5. **CAUTION:** Fiberglass may cause temporary skin irritation. Wear long-sleeved, loose-fitting clothing, head covering, gloves and eye protection when handling and applying material. Wash with soap and warm water after handling. Wash work clothes separately and rinse washer. A disposable mask designed for nuisance type dusts should be used where sensitivity to dust and airborne particles may cause irritation to the nose or throat.

D. HEAVY INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS OUTDOORS

Use .030" or higher PVC Jacketing. Use "heavy duty" two piece fitting covers made from minimum .030" thick to .050" thick PVC sheet depending on size of fitting cover. Jacketing to be cut and oven precurled

E. FIRE TEST RESULTS: PROTO LoSMOKE® — PVC

USA: E-84 25/50 Rated up to .035" thick (The Best Rated PVC)

CANADA: Conforms to CAN 4-S102.2

LoSMOKE® fitting covers conform to virtually all city, state and federal codes, for use in hotel, commercial and industrial buildings.

LoSMOKE® fitting covers will be labeled on the box "Passes ASTM E-84." Flame spread 25; smoke developed 50".

All E-84 ratings shown here were tested on flat sheets from which fitting covers are made.

Virtually all Proto LoSMOKE® fitting covers will pass E-84 25/50 flame spread and smoke development rating requirements.

SUGGESTIONS

Slide Joints: Do not apply PVC Jacketing too tightly. Slide joints plus PVC thickness must work together to prevent cracks and puckering.

Vapor Retarder: A vapor retarder is required under all fitting covers for systems operating below ambient temperatures, such as chilled water lines, and is recommended for all outdoor applications. The fitting vapor retarder should provide a continuous seal with the adjacent pipe vapor retarder.

Outdoor Fitting Covers: Use extra thick, plastic heavy duty covers.

Outdoor and Indoor Washdown Areas: Use EXOD™ (CPVC) by Proto, for its higher deflection temperature (225°F). It is light grey.

PVC Outdoor Thickness (Reg. PVC Jacketing): Use .030" thick cut and oven precurled jacketing. Use "heavy duty" plastic fitting covers formed from minimum .030" to .050" thick PVC sheet depending on size of fitting cover. On pipe insulation larger than 15" O.D. use .040" thick PVC.

PVC Indoor Thickness: Use white or indoor color LoSMOKE® on piping. Use .020" thick with standard one piece fitting cover, .030" jacketing can also be used.

Vessels and Tank Tops: Use .050" or .060" thick tank panels for outdoor applications and .030" or .040" for indoor tanks. Use .050" thick Protop® segments for tank heads. (Only Proto Corp. has them.) Made of LoSMOKE® PVC.

Pipe Insulation End Caps: Use on all outdoor, indoor washdown areas, and all vapor sealed systems. End caps will be PVC, metal, or gasket materials appropriate for the metal pipe temperatures. Silicone rubber (500°F) can be applied (min. 1/16" thick) as an end cap outdoors.

Indoor hot piping need not be sealed to the end cap. Cap will be sealed or taped to the jacket.

Two-Ply Waterproofing System: Use .010" thick PVC with self-sealing long lap tape, as the first waterproof layer. Overlap ends 3" and PVC tape over. Caulk all openings with Celulon® or similar, approved product. The finished jacketing material should employ staggered joints with at least a .010 mil thick first layer. Recaulk again over last layer. Install slide joints every 25', caulk shut all other seams, openings, or end overlaps with PVC tape or caulk. Use vapor seal jacketing (instead of .010" thick PVC first layer) where a vapor seal system is required.

CPVC-High Chemical Resistance and High Deflection Temperature: Use "Exod®" CPVC jacketing and fitting covers for 225°F deflection temperature and maximum chemical resistance. Offered only by Proto Corp. as a substitute for stainless steel.

Regular PVC Jacketing Outdoors: Use regular PVC jacketing outdoors. It is less expensive, does the same job as LoSMOKE® PVC. Regular PVC has very good fire (self-extinguishing) properties — not as good as the LoSMOKE® PVC used in confined people areas (buildings), however much better than common plastics used outdoors.

Vessels with ends 24" O.D. or larger: Use .040" thick jacketing up to 48" O.D. On sides of vessels larger than 48" O.D. See Protop® brochure for instructions requiring a suspended band system, to hang panels from, (Gerrard & Company or equal). Use thick PVC panels on Outdoor Tanks not PVC Roll Jacketing. See Tank Tops above for end segments.

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