



ViegaPEX™ Barrier Hydronic Radiant Heat Tubing

Scope

This specification designates the requirements for ViegaPEX Barrier cross-linked polyethylene (PEX) tubing for use in hydronic radiant heating systems. ViegaPEX Barrier includes an oxygen barrier layer that helps restrict the passage of oxygen through the wall of the tubing. All ViegaPEX is manufactured and tested to the requirements of ASTM F876 and F877 and is CTS-OD (copper tube size outer dimension controlled) with an SDR - (standard dimension ratio) 9 wall thickness. ViegaPEX Barrier is compatible with both Viega PEX Press fittings and F1807 PEX Crimp fittings. Viega has no control over the quality of other manufacturers, therefore, we do not extend any warranty to those components that are not supplied by Viega.

Materials

ViegaPEX Barrier tubing is produced from cross-linkable, high density polyethylene resin. This cross-linkable resin is produced by grafting organo-silane molecules onto a base polyethylene chain. A catalyst that initiates the cross-linking process is blended with the resin before extrusion. Cross-linking is conducted after extrusion by exposing the tubing to heat and moisture (steam). ViegaPEX Barrier includes 4 layers. The first layer is the cross-linked, high density polyethylene. The second layer is an adhesive for the third layer, the ethylene vinyl alcohol layer (EVOH oxygen barrier). The fourth layer is another very thin layer of polyethylene, put on the outside to protect the EVOH layer from damage. EVOH is highly resistant to the passage of oxygen.

Marking and Certification

Tubing is marked with manufacturer, ViegaPEX Barrier, nominal size, rating, codes and standards, approvals, date, material code and location of production (i.e., 0000FT Viega ViegaPEX Barrier™ 5/16" SDR-9 100 PSI @ 180°F [NSF-pw U.P. Code ASTM F876/F877] ICBO ES ER-5287 PEX1006 Date Code Material Code Made in the USA 0002FT). Tubing is third party tested to the requirements of the stated ASTM standards. Tubing includes incremental footage markings to assist with loop layout. ViegaPEX Barrier is certified to NSF 61 and 14 for use as part of, or connected to a potable water system.

Recommended Uses

ViegaPEX Barrier tubing is recommended for hydronic radiant heating, cooling, and snow melting systems utilizing water or a water/glycol mix as the heat or cold transfer media. Tubing may be installed in concrete, gypsum based lightweight concrete, sand, asphalt (in accordance with special guidelines) in or under wood flooring or behind wallboard or plaster. ViegaPEX Barrier may also be used as transfer lines for baseboard heating systems with a maximum operating temperature of 200°F @ 80 psi.

Handling and Installation

Install ViegaPEX Barrier in accordance with installation manuals provided by manufacturer and applicable code requirements. Water or air can be used to pressure test the system. Please follow manufacturer's requirements on pressure and length of time. ViegaPEX Barrier comes with a 90 day UV protection. For information on the suitability for other applications, contact your Viega representative.

Property	ASTM Test Method	Typical Values	
		English Units	SI Units
Density	D 792	-	0.952 g/cc
Melt Index ¹	D 1238	-	2.0 g/10min
Flexural Modulus ²	D 638	150,000 psi	1000 MN/m ²
Tensile Strength @ Yield (2 in/min)	D 638	3,900 psi	26 MN/m ²
Coefficient of Expansion @ 68° F	D 696	8 x 10 ⁻⁴ /°F	1.4 x 10 ⁻⁴ /°C
Hydrostatic Design Basis @ 73°F (23°C)	D 2837	1,250 PSI	8.6 MPA
Hydrostatic Design Basis @ 180°F (82°C)	D 2837	800 PSI	5.5 MPA
Vicat Softening Point	D 648	255°F	124°C
Thermal Conductivity	C 177	2.7 Btu/hr/ft ² /°F	1.1x10 ⁻³ cal/sec/cm ² /°C

1. Before Crosslinking 2. 73°F



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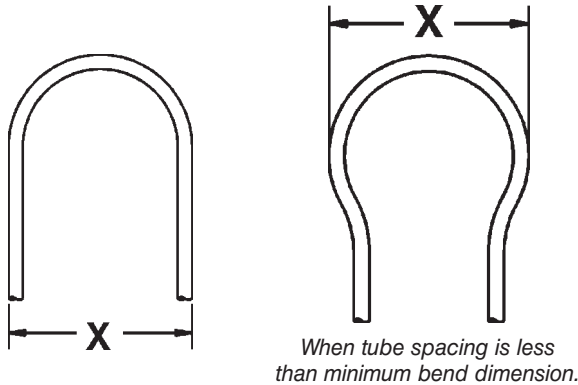
ViegaPEX Barrier

Quality Assurance

ViegaPEX Barrier tubing is manufactured and tested to the requirements of ASTM F876 and F877. The degree of cross-linking of finished tubing is determined by method ASTM D2765.

Certifications

NSF-pw - tested for health effects to ANSI/NSF 61 and performance to ANSI/NSF standard 14.



When the tube spacing is less than the minimum recommended bending dimension, the loop ends should be swept out to at least the dimensions shown.

Otherwise, if tube spacing is equal or greater than "X", a standard loop may be used.

Dimension X Tubing Size	With the Coil
5/16"	7"
3/8"	8"
1/2"	10"
5/8"	12"
3/4"	14"
1"	18"
1-1/4"	22"
1-1/2"	26"

ViegaPEX Barrier Oxygen Permeation:
All sizes have less than 0.1 grams/m³/day

Note: ViegaPEX Barrier tubing meets DIN 4726 requirement for oxygen tight pipes.

PRESSURE DROP TABLE

Expressed per/ft.

GPM	SIZE							
	5/16"	3/8"	1/2"	5/8"	3/4"	1"	1-1/4"	1-1/2"
	PSI Head Loss	PSI Head Loss	PSI Head Loss	PSI Head Loss	PSI Head Loss	PSI Head Loss	PSI Head Loss	PSI Head Loss
.1	.002	.005	.001	.001				
.2	.009	.021	.004	.008				
.3	.018	.042	.008	.017	.002	.004		
.4	.031	.072	.013	.030	.003	.007		
.5	.047	.109	.020	.045	.004	.010		
.6	.066	.152	.027	.063	.006	.014	.003	.003
.7	.088	.203	.036	.084	.008	.019	.003	.008
.8			.047	.108	.011	.024	.004	.010
.9			.058	.134	.013	.030	.005	.012
1			.070	.1626	.016	.037	.007	.015
1.5					.034	.078	.014	.032
2					.058	.133	.024	.055
3							.050	.116
4							.085	.197
6							.181	.417
8								.140
10							.211	.487
12							.296	.683
14								.042
16								.053
18								.065
20								.078
22								.093
24								.108
26								.052
28								.060
30								.067
32								.075

SDR-9 PEX Tubing

ASTM F876/F877/CTS-OD SDR-9

TUBING SIZE	O.D.	WALL THICKNESS	NOM. I.D.	WEIGHT PER FT	VOLUME (GAL)/ 100 ft
5/16"	.430±.003	.064+.010	0.292	.0340	0.34
3/8"	.500±.003	.070+.010	0.350	.0413	0.50
1/2"	.625±.004	.070+.010	0.475	.0535	0.92
5/8"	.750±.004	.083+.010	0.574	.0752	1.34
3/4"	.875±.004	.097+.010	0.671	.1023	1.82
1"	1.125±.005	.125+.010	0.863	.1689	3.04
1-1/4"	1.375±.005	.153+.015	1.053	.2523	4.52
1-1/2"	1.625±.006	.181+.019	1.243	.3536	6.30

NOTE: Dimensions are in English units. Tolerances shown are ASTM requirements. ViegaPEX Barrier is manufactured to within these specifications.

ViegaPEX Barrier tubing is available in both straight lengths and coils.



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