Frequently Asked Questions

Q: *"How do convolute wound and braided composites compare?"*

A:

In general, convolute wound and braided composite materials can be considered equivalent materials. Both materials are composed of e-glass fiberglass filaments and a U.L. listed G-10 epoxy resin system. The primary difference between materials is the method of manufacturing each.

With respect to technical specifications, basic comparative data is as follows:

	Convolute Wound Composites	**Braided Composites**
Specification		
NEMA Grade	G-10	G-10
ID Range: Minimum Maximum	 0.110 16.5	 0.50 30.0
Wall Thickness: Minimum Maximum	 0.031 1.000	 0.031 1.000
Water Absorption, % 24 Hours – Wall Thickness of 1/16"	0.13	0.16
Density GMS/CC	1.88	2.0
Tensile Strength – Up to 2" OD	43,000	50,000
Compressive Strength, PSI, Axial All Sizes	32,000	42,000
Dielectric Strength – Short Time – Wall Thickness: 1/16" 1/8"	 540 385	 540 385
Dissipation Factor – 10^6 Cycles	0.013	0.009
Dielectric Constant – 10^6 Cycles	4.8	4.15

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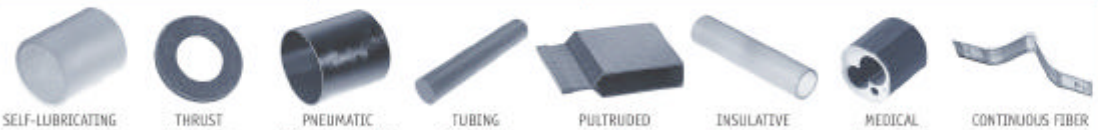

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