

SECTION 260523 – WIRE AND CABLE, 31V TO 2000V

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE

- A. Power and control systems, A-C or D-C, for voltages from 31 volts to 2000 volts line-to-ground.
- B. Does not apply to instrumentation or communication signal conductors, or other signal systems where special conductors are required.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 GENERAL

- A. Underwriters Laboratory labeled.
- B. Comply with ANSI C33.80 (UL-83).
- C. All copper shall be soft annealed per ASTM B 33-81, stranded per ASTM B 8-81.

2.2 SINGLE CONDUCTOR (600 volts)

- A. Power, No. 12 and No. 10 AWG
 - 1. Materials: Stranded copper conductor, RHW insulation.
 - 2. Colors: Neutral-white, phase A-Black, phase B-red, phase C-blue. Other colors permissible by the NEC for special identification.
- B. Power, No. 8 to No. 4 AWG
 - 1. Materials: Stranded copper conductor, RHW insulation.
 - 2. Color: Black. (Identify phases or other distinctions with colored tape.)
- C. Power, No. 2 AWG and Larger
 - 1. Materials: Stranded copper conductor. RHW insulation.
 - 2. Color: Black. (Identify phases or other distinctions with colored tape.)
- D. Control, above 30 volts
 - 1. Material: Stranded copper, No. 14 AWG, or as otherwise indicated. THWN-THHN insulation.
 - 2. Colors: Any colors other than green, black, red, blue, white, or other color selected for power.

- E. Multi-Conductor Assemblies: Where indicated, type MC or non-metallic jacketed of the above specified conductors as noted on the Drawings.

2.3 TERMINATIONS AND SPLICES

- A. Lighting and Receptacle Circuits: Splices in No. 14, No. 12, and No. 10 AWG wire sizes may be insulated screw-on type connectors (wire nuts), with square-edge live-action spring. Ideal 451 or 452, or equal.
- B. All Others: Crimp or bolted compression type connectors, terminal lugs, and splices with insulating covering.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 CONNECTIONS AND TERMINATIONS

- A. General: Install splices and taps only in junction boxes or access enclosures.
- B. Outdoor Connections: Wrap or seal cable connection with insulating tape or other means to prevent moisture entering cable.
- C. Tape Insulation: Where tape is used as the splice or connector insulation, wrap tape to 1 1/2 times the thickness of the conductor insulation.

3.2 IDENTIFICATION

- A. Identify all conductors at each terminal or splice location using pre-printed sleeves or tape for wire number or terminal number as follows:
 - 1. Single Phase Power: Panel and circuit number; label neutrals when more than one neutral is carried in the same conduit.
 - 2. Three Phase Branches and Motor Leads: L1, L2, L3, or T1, T2, T3, as applicable.
 - 3. Control: Cable or terminal number.

END OF SECTION 260523