

# 3M™ Wire Connector O/B+

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## Product Description

Use a 3M™ Wire Connector O/B+ to electrically connect two or more conductor ends in a pigtail application and insulate the connection.

## Agency Approvals & Self Certifications



Underwriters Laboratories  
Standard NO. UL 486C  
3M File NO. E23438



Canadian Standards  
Association  
Standard NO. 22.2  
NO. 188-M1983  
3M File NO. LR15503



IEC Publications  
685-1 and 685-2-4  
3M File NO. E95240

### UL Listed

As a Pressure Wire Connector tested per UL Standard 486C UL File No. E23438

Operating Temperature: 105°C (221°F) Voltage Rating: 600 volts max. Building wire 1000 volts max. signs and lighting fixtures (luminaries)

Flammability Rating: UL94 V-2

### CSA Certified

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Flammability Rating: C22.2 No. 0.6 V-2

### Federal Specification W-S-610

“Commercial Package Only”

Type	Class	Kind	Style
1	1	cu	G

## Applications

AWG Range: COPPER conductors only, No. 22 thru No. 12 solid and/or stranded.

METRIC Range: COPPER conductors only, 0,5 mm<sup>2</sup> thru 2,5 mm<sup>2</sup>, ridged (solid or stranded) and flexible (See wire matrix for specific wire combinations.)

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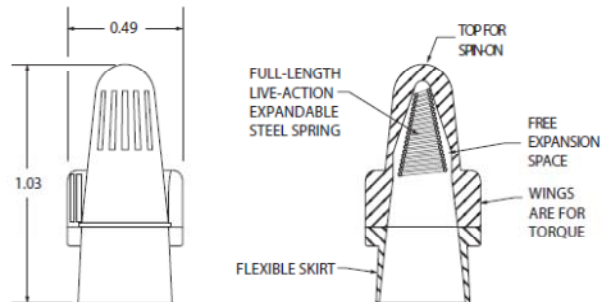
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Weight: 0.0025 lbs. (1,13 gm)

Construction:

Spring: Spring steel, corrosion-resistant coating

Insulator: Flame retardant, polypropylene and thermoplastic elastomer, color coded; orange/blue



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### Specifications – Engineering/ Architectural

3M™ Wire Connector O/B+ is capable of connecting two or more wires in a pigtail application, in the wire range of No. 22 thru No. 12 AWG solid and/or stranded copper conductors. The connector shall be constructed with an active (live) spring with a corrosion resistant coating.

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## Typical Physical and Electrical Properties

Performance Test (The following tests were performed to the specifications of UL Standard 486C and CSA Standard C22.2 No. 188-M1983.) unless stated	
Test	Typical Value
Static -Heating	Pass
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Dielectric Voltage Withstand	Pass
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Salt Spray (Per MIL-STS-1344A Method 1001.1)	Pass
Vibration (Per MIL-STS-1344A Method 2005.1)	Pass
UV Exposure (Per ASTM G-53-77)	Pass

## Fluid Immersion Test

Typical Reagents and Materials From ASTM D 543-87 and MIL-STD-1344A (Connectors were immersed in the following chemicals for seven days at 23°C ±2°C.	
Acetic Acid	Pass
Acetone	Pass
Detergent Solution, Heavy Duty	Pass
Ethyl Alcohol (95%)	Pass
Ethyl Alcohol (50%)	Pass
Heptane	Pass
Hydrogen Peroxide Solution 28%	Pass
Methyl Alcohol	Pass
Sodium Hydroxide Solution	Pass
Mineral Sprit	Pass
Lubricating Oil	Pass

## Installation Techniques

### CAUTION

Turn power off before installing or removing connector. All electrical work should be done according to appropriate electrical codes.

1. Strip wire insulation:  
22–16 AWG = 5/8" 14–12 AWG = 1/2"
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Wire Matrix

		Conductor Combinations		Quantity	Size	Type
				2-6	0,5 mm <sup>2</sup>	sol./str.
				2-5	0,75 mm <sup>2</sup>	sol./str.
				2-4	1,0 mm <sup>2</sup>	sol./str.
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				3	2,5 mm <sup>2</sup>	sol.

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**Shelf-Life & Storage**

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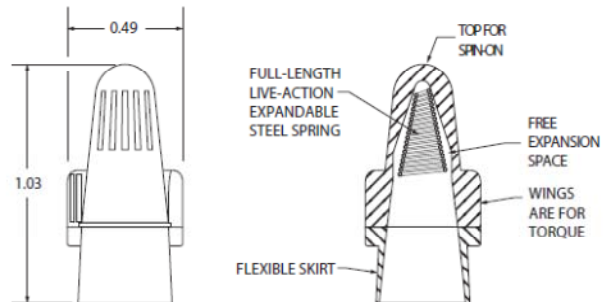
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