Armored Corrugated Conduit for Railway Communication



Overview

If corrugated tubes have to be guided safely in rail vehicles, e.g. through the roof or wall, the new UNI corrugated conduit transit from PFLITSCH is used.

Key Takeaways

Armored corrugated conduits provide robust mechanical protection, fire resistance, and environmental sealing for railway communication and electrical systems.

Overview

Armored corrugated conduits are designed to protect cables in rail vehicles and infrastructure from mechanical stress, vibration, moisture, and fire hazards. They are commonly used for railway communication, signaling, and control systems, where reliability and safety are critical. These conduits combine flexibility with high-strength materials to withstand harsh operating conditions, including extreme temperatures, shocks, and exposure to chemicals or UV radiation.

Materials and Construction

Metallic Armor: Stainless steel, galvanized steel, or aluminum is often used to form a corrugated sheath around the cable, providing high mechanical strength and electrical shielding. Systems like Gardex® use a continuous metallic armor that is impervious to gas and moisture, ideal for substation and rail applications.

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Polyamide or HDP

E Jackets: Flexible, durable plastics such as polyamide or high-density polyethylene (HDPE) are used for outer jackets, offering resistance to UV, weathering, and low temperatures. Dura-Line's Armor Guard integrates a corrugated steel armor with an HDPE jacket for superior protection in direct burial or aerial installations. Sealing and Fire Protection: Specialized sealing inserts and fire-resistant silicone allow conduits to meet IP68 ratings and fire protection standards like EN 45545 HL3, covering temperatures from -55°C to +180°C.

Key Features for Railway Applications

Flexibility: Corrugated design allows bending and routing through tight spaces, including rooftops, walls, and undercarriages of rail vehicles. Mechanical Protection: Armored conduits resist crushing, impact, and vibration, ensuring cable integrity in dynamic environments. Environmental Resistance: Conduits are resistant to moisture, dust, UV, and chemical exposure, maintaining performance in outdoor and harsh conditions.

Fire Safety: Many conduits comply with flame, smoke, and toxicity standards, making them suitable for passenger compartments and critical communication lines. Ease of Installation: Modular fittings, cable glands, and “on block” assembly systems simplify installation while maintaining IP68 sealing and mechanical protection.

Applications

Rail Vehicles: Routing communication, signaling, and power cables through car rooftops, walls, and inter-car jumpers. Rail Infrastructure: Protecting control and communication cables in substations, tunnels, and trackside installations. Dynamic and Static Environments: Suitable for both moving components (bogies, couplers) and fixed installations.

Standards and ComplianceIP68/IP69K: Ensures dust-tight and water-resistant performance.

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N 45545 HL3: Fire protection for railway vehicles. Mechanical and Environmental Ratings: Conduits are tested for impact, crush resistance, and temperature extremes to meet railway industry requirements.

Conclusion

Armored corrugated conduits are essential for reliable railway communication systems, offering a combination of mechanical strength, flexibility, fire resistance, and environmental protection. Solutions from providers like PFLITSCH, Dura-Line, AerosUSA, and Gardex® provide tailored options for both interior and exterior railway applications, ensuring long-term durability and compliance with international safety standards.

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In addition to rigid armoured conduit made of plastic or metal, flexible corrugated tubing is also frequently used. It is primarily characterised by its high bending capacity, which allows tight radii for

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The trackside conduit

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DEVELOPMENT SPECIFICATION OF CONDUIT SYSTEM FOR

1.2 The conduit system of cable management shall comprise polyamide flexible conduit and end fittings with threaded ends (both metric and Pg thread) provided with gaskets, O-rings and metallic lock nuts

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Corrugated conduit

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