

Carlton® Rigid Nonmetallic Conduit (RNC), Fittings & Accessories

Carlton® manufactures the most complete line of nonmetallic conduits and fittings in the electrical industry. Carlton Schedule 40 and Schedule 80 conduits are designed for use aboveground and underground as described in the National Electrical Code. Specify only Carlton conduits and fittings to insure raceway system integrity.

Features

Ease of Installation Nonmetallic conduits are 1/4 to 1/5 the weight of metallic systems, can be installed in less than half the time, and are easily fabricated on the job.

Safety Nonmetallic conduits are nonconductive, assuring a safe system.

Impact Resistant Carlton Schedule 40 and Schedule 80 nonmetallic conduits are resistant to sunlight and are listed for exposed or outdoor usage. The use of expansion fittings allows the system to expand and contract with temperature variations.

Corrosion Resistant Carlton conduits and fittings are nonmetallic and will not rust or corrode.

Carlton nonmetallic Schedule 40 and Schedule 80 conduits and elbows are manufactured to NEMA TC-2, Federal specification WC1094A and UL 651 specifications. Fittings are manufactured to NEMA TC-3, Federal specification WC1094A and UL514B. Both conduit and fittings carry respective UL or ETL Listings and UL or ETL labels.

Schedule 40 PVC Rigid Nonmetallic Conduit (RNC). (Heavy Wall EPC)

Listed for underground applications encased in concrete or direct burial. Also for use in exposed or concealed applications aboveground.

- Sunlight resistant
- Rated for use with 90°C conductors
- Superior weathering characteristics



RUS Listed

Schedule 40 Heavy Wall

With Integral Bell*



Part No.		Nom. Size	Std. Crate Qty.		Wt. Per 100'	Dimensions		
10'	20'		10'	20'		O.D.	I.D.	Wall
49005-010		1/2"	6000'		17	.840	.622	.109
49007-010	49007-020	3/4"	4400'	8800'	23	1.050	.824	.113
49008-010	49008-020	1"	3600'	7200'	34	1.315	1.049	.133
49009-010	49009-020	1 1/4"	3300'	6600'	46	1.660	1.380	.140
49010-010	49010-020	1 1/2"	2250'	4500'	55	1.900	1.610	.145
49011-010	49011-020	2"	1400'	2800'	73	2.375	2.067	.154
49012-010	49012-020	2 1/2"	930'	1860'	124	2.875	2.469	.203
49013-010	49013-020	3"	880'	1760'	163	3.500	3.068	.216
49014-010	49014-020	3 1/2"	630'	1260'	196	4.000	3.548	.226
49015-010	49015-020	4"	570'	1140'	232	4.500	4.026	.237
49016-010	49016-020	5"	380'	760'	315	5.563	5.047	.258
49017-010	49017-020	6"	260'	520'	409	6.625	6.065	.280

Rigid nonmetallic conduit is normally supplied in standard 10' lengths, with one belled end per length. For specific requirements, it may be produced in lengths shorter or longer than 10', with or without belled ends.

Use RNC Fittings with Schedule 40 and Schedule 80 Conduit.

- Notes:**
1. Special fittings and conduit sizes will be quoted on request.
 2. DON'T FORGET TO ORDER CEMENT.
 3. Carlton reserves the right to ship to the nearest unitized quantity.

Schedule 80 PVC Rigid Nonmetallic Conduit (RNC) (Extra Heavy Wall EPC-80)



RUS Listed

Listed for use in aboveground and belowground applications that are subject to physical damage.

- Sunlight resistant • Rated for use with 90°C conductors • Superior weathering characteristics
- For use in areas subject to physical damage

With Integral Bell*



Schedule 80 Extra Heavy Wall

Part No.			Std. Crate Qty. Wt. Per			Dimensions		
10'	20'	Nom. Size	10'	20'	100'	O.D.	I.D.	Wall
49405-010	49405-020	1/2"	6000'	12000'	21	.840	.546	.147
49407-010	49407-020	3/4"	4400'	8000'	30	1.050	.742	.154
49408-010	49408-020	1"	3600'	7200'	44	1.315	.957	.179
49409-010	49409-020	1 1/4"	3300'	6600'	60	1.660	1.278	.191
49410-010	49410-020	1 1/2"	2250'	3600'	72	1.900	1.500	.200
49411-010	49411-020	2"	1400'	2800'	101	2.375	1.939	.218
49412-010	49412-020	2 1/2"	930'	1880'	154	2.875	2.323	.276
49413-010	49413-020	3"	880'	1760'	210	3.500	2.900	.300
49415-010	49415-020	4"	570'	1140'	308	4.500	3.826	.337
49416-010	—	5"	380'	—	428	5.563	4.813	.375
49417-010	49417-020	6"	260'	520'	588	6.625	5.761	4.32

Rigid nonmetallic conduit is normally supplied in standard 10' lengths, with one belled end per length. For specific requirements, it may be produced in lengths shorter or longer than 10', with or without belled ends.

Use RNC Fittings with Schedule 40 and Schedule 80 Conduit.

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Support of Carlon Rigid Nonmetallic Conduit in Aboveground Installations

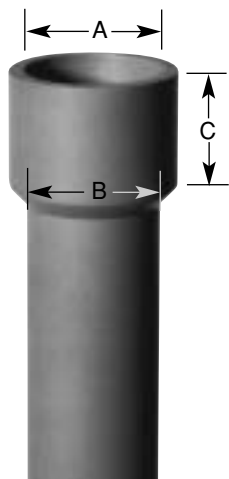
Table 352.30(B) NEC shows the support requirements for Schedule 40 and Schedule 80 rigid PVC nonmetallic conduit.

Plastic conduit should always be installed away from steam lines, etc. Support straps should allow for lineal movement caused by expansion and contraction.

Maximum ambient temperature is 122°F (50°C).

Table 352.30(B), NEC

Trade Size	Maximum Spacing Between Supports (feet)
1/2 - 1	3
1 1/4 - 2	5
2 1/2 - 3	6
3 1/2 - 5	7
6	8



Acceptable Dimensions in Inches of Integral Bell per UL 651

Trade Size	A At Entrance (in.)		B At Bottom (in.)		C Nominal Bell Depth (in.)
	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	
1/2	0.860	0.844	0.844	0.828	1.375
3/4	1.074	1.054	1.056	1.036	1.500
1	1.340	1.320	1.320	1.300	1.750
1 1/4	1.689	1.665	1.667	1.643	1.875
1 1/2	1.930	1.906	1.906	1.882	2.750
2	2.405	2.381	2.381	2.357	3.250
2 1/2	2.905	2.875	2.883	2.853	3.250
3	3.530	3.500	3.507	3.477	3.875
3 1/2	4.065	3.965	4.007	3.977	3.875
4	4.565	4.465	4.506	4.476	4.625
5	5.643	5.543	5.583	5.523	5.625
6	6.708	6.608	6.644	6.584	6.375

Expansion and Contraction

Temperature Considerations for Rigid Nonmetallic Conduit Compensation for Linear Expansion

Like all construction materials, PVC will expand or contract with variations in temperatures. The coefficient of linear expansion in PVC conduit is 3.38×10^{-5} in./in./°F as compared to 1.2×10^{-5} for aluminum and 0.6×10^{-5} for steel. An expansion coupling is needed whenever the change in length due to temperature variation will exceed 1/2 in.

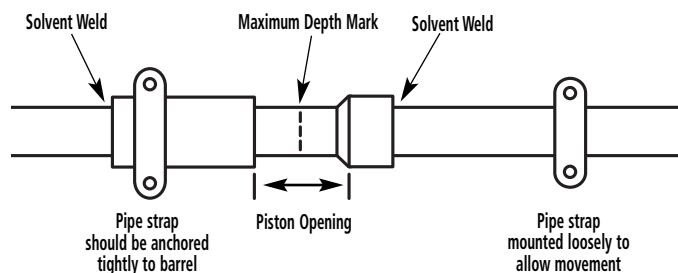
Add 30°F to the estimated temperature range when conduit is installed in direct sunlight to allow for radiant heating.

An expansion coupling consists of two sections of conduit, one telescoping inside another. When installing expansion couplings, alignment of piston and barrel is important. Be sure to mount expansion joint level for best performance.

For a vertical run, the expansion coupling must be installed close to the top of the run with the barrel jointing down, in order that rain water does not run into the opening. The lower end of the conduit run must be secured at the bottom so that any length change due to temperature variation will result in an upward movement.

Expansion Characteristics of PVC Rigid Nonmetallic Conduit Coefficient of Thermal Expansion = 3.38×10^{-5} in./in./°F

Temperature Change in Degrees F	Length Change in inches per 100 Ft. of PVC Conduit	Temperature Change in Degrees F	Length Change in inches per 100 Ft. of PVC Conduit	Temperature Change in Degrees F	Length Change in inches per 100 Ft. of PVC Conduit	Temperature Change in Degrees F	Length Change in inches per 100 Ft. of PVC Conduit
5	0.2	55	2.2	105	4.2	155	6.3
10	0.4	60	2.4	110	4.5	160	6.5
15	0.6	65	2.6	115	4.7	165	6.7
20	0.8	70	2.8	120	4.9	170	6.9
25	1.0	75	3.0	125	5.1	175	7.1
30	1.2	80	3.2	130	5.3	180	7.3
35	1.4	85	3.4	135	5.5	185	7.5
40	1.6	90	3.6	140	5.7	190	7.7
45	1.8	95	3.8	145	5.9	195	7.9
50	2.0	100	4.1	150	6.1	200	8.1



Determine the Piston Opening

The expansion joint must be installed to allow both expansion and contraction of the conduit run. The correct piston opening for any installation condition should use the following formula:

$$O = \left[\frac{T_{\max} - T_{\text{installed}}}{\Delta T} \right] E$$

Where:

- O = Piston opening (in.)
- T max = Maximum anticipated temperature of conduit (°F)
- T inst. = Temperature of conduit at time of installation (°F)
- Δ T = Total change in temperature of conduit (°F)
- E = Expansion allowance built into each expansion coupling (in.)

Example

380 ft. of conduit is to be installed on the outside of a building exposed to the sun in a single straight run. It is expected that the conduit will vary in temperature from 0°F in the winter to 140°F in the summer (this includes the 30°F for radiant heating from the sun.) The installation is to be made at a conduit temperature of 90°F. From the table, a 140°F temperature change will cause a 5.7 in. length change in 100 ft. of conduit. The total change for this example is $5.7 \times 3.8 = 21.67$ " which should be rounded to 22". The number of expansion couplings will be $22 \times$ coupling range (4" for Carlon trade sizes 1/2" through 1-1/2", and 8" for sizes 2" through 6"). If the E945D coupling is used, the number will be $22 \times 4 = 5.50$ which should be rounded to 6. The coupling should be placed at 62 ft. intervals (380 x 6). the proper piston setting at the time of installation is calculated as explained above.

$$O = \left[\frac{140 - 90}{140} \right] 4.0 = 1.4 \text{ in.}$$

Insert the piston into the barrel to the maximum depth. Place a mark on the piston at the end of the barrel. To properly set the piston, pull the piston out of the barrel to correspond to the 2.1 in. calculated above. See drawing at lower left.

Summary

1. Anticipate expansion and contraction of PVC conduit in aboveground, exposed installation.
2. Use an expansion coupling when length change due to temperature variation will exceed 1/2".
3. PVC conduit expands 4.1" for each 100 feet of run and a 100°F temperature change.
4. Align expansion coupling with the conduit run to prevent binding.
5. Follow the instructions to set the piston opening.
6. Rigidly fix the outer barrel of the expansion coupling so it cannot move. Mount the conduit connected to the piston loosely enough to allow the conduit to move as the temperature changes.

Corrosion Resistance of Carlon Schedule 40 and Schedule 80 PVC Conduit and Fittings

Carlon Schedule 40 and Schedule 80 are generally acceptable for use in environments containing the chemicals below. These environmental resistance ratings are based upon tests where the specimens were placed in complete submergence in the reagent listed. Schedule 40 and Schedule 80 can be used in many process areas where

chemicals not on this list are manufactured or used because worker safety requirements dictate that any air presence or splashing be at a very low level.

If there are any questions for specific suitability in a given environment, prototype samples should be tested under actual conditions.

Acetic Acid 0-20%	Butyl Alcohol	Fluorine Gas – Wet	Mercurous Nitrate	Sodium Arsenite
Acetic Acid 20-30%	Butyl Phenol	Fluorine Gas – Dry	Mercury	Sodium Benzoate
Acetic Acid 30-60%	Butylene	Fluoroboric Acid	Methyl Sulfate	Sodium Bicarbonate
Acetic Acid 80%	Butyric Acid	Fluorosilicic Acid	Methylene Chloride	Sodium Bisulfate
Acetic Acid – Glacial	Calcium Bisulfite	Formaldehyde	Mineral Oils	Sodium Bisulfite
Acetic Acid Vapors	Calcium Carbonate	Formic Acid	Naphthalene	Sodium Bromide
Acetylene	Calcium Chlorate	Fructose	Nickel Chloride	Sodium Chlorate
Adipic Acid	Calcium Chloride	Gallic Acid	Nickel Nitrate	Sodium Chloride
Alum	Calcium Hydroxide	Gas – Coke Oven	Nitric Acid, Anhydrous	Sodium Cyanide
Aluminum Chloride	Calcium Hypochlorite	Gas – Natural (Dry)	Nitric Acid 20%	Sodium Dichromate
Aluminum Fluoride	Calcium Nitrate	Gas – Natural (Wet)	Nitric Acid 40%	Sodium Ferricyanide
Aluminum Hydroxide	Calcium Sulfate	Gasoline – Sour	Nitric Acid 60%	Sodium Ferrocyanide
Aluminum Oxychloride	Carbonic Acid	Gasoline – Refined	Nitrobenzene	Sodium Fluoride
Aluminum Nitrate	Carbon Dioxide Gas – Wet	Glucose	Nitrous Oxide	Sodium Hydroxide
Aluminum Sulfate	Carbon Dioxide – Aqueous Solution	Glycerine (Glycerol)	Oils and Fats	Sodium Hypochlorite
Ammonia-Dry Gas	Carbon Monoxide	Glycol	Oils – Petroleum – (See Type)	Sodium Nitrate
Ammonium Bifluoride	Caustic Potash	Glycolic Acid	Oleic Acid	Sodium Nitrite
Ammonium Carbonate	Caustic Soda	Green Liquor (Paper Industry)	Oxalic Acid	Sodium Sulfate
Ammonium Chloride	Chloracetic Acid	Heptane	Palmitic Acid 10%	Sodium Sulfide
Ammonium Hydroxide 28%	Chloral Hydrate	Hexanol, Tertiary	Perchloric Acid 10%	Sodium Sulfite
Ammonium Metaphosphate	Chlorine Gas (Dry)	Hydrobromic Acid 20%	Phenylhydrazine Hydrochloride	Sodium Thiosulfate (Hypo)
Ammonium Nitrate	Chlorine Gas (Moist)	Hydrochloric Acid 0% - 25%	Phosgene, Gas	Stannic Chloride
Ammonium Persulfate	Chlorine Water	Hydrochloric Acid 25% - 40%	Phosphoric Acid – 0-25%	Stannous Chloride
Ammonium Phosphate – Neutral	Chlorosulfonic Acid	Hydrocyanic Acid or Hydrogen Cyanide	Phosphoric Acid – 25-50%	Stearic Acid
Ammonium Sulfate	Chrome Alum	Hydrofluoric Acid 10%	Phosphoric Acid – 50-85%	Sulfur
Ammonium Sulfide	Chromic Acid 10%	Hydrofluorosilicic Acid	Photographic Chemicals	Sulfur Dioxide – Gas Dry
Ammonium Thiocyanate	Chromic Acid 30%	Hydrogen Phosphide	Plating Solutions	Sulfur Trioxide
Amyl Alcohol	Chromic Acid 40%	Hydrogen Sulfide – Dry	Potassium Bicarbonate	Sulfuric Acid – 0-10%
Antraquinone	Chromic Acid 50%	Hydrogen Sulfide – Aqueous Solution	Potassium Bichromate	Sulfuric Acid – 10-75%
Antraquinonesulfonic Acid	Citric Acid	Hydroquinone	Potassium Borate	Sulfuric Acid – 75-90%
Antimony Trichloride	Copper Chloride	Hydroxylamine Sulfate	Potassium Bromide	Sulfurous Acid
Aqua Regia	Copper Cyanide	Iodine	Potassium Carbonate	Tannic Acid
Arsenic Acid 80%	Copper Fluoride	Kerosene	Potassium Chloride	Tanning Liquors
Arylsulfonic Acid	Copper Nitrate	Lactic Acid 28%	Potassium Chromate	Tartaric Acid
Barium Carbonate	Copper Sulfate	Lauric Acid	Potassium Cyanide	Titanium Tetrachloride
Barium Chloride	Cottonseed Oil	Lauryl Chloride	Potassium Dichromate	Triethanolamine
Barium Hydroxide	Cresylic Acid 50%	Lauryl Sulfate	Potassium Ferricyanide	Trimethyl Propane
Barium Sulfate	Crude Oil – Sour	Lead Acetate	Potassium Ferrocyanide	Trisodium Phosphate
Barium Sulfide	Crude Oil – Sweet	Lime Sulfur	Potassium Fluoride	Turpentine
Beet – Sugar Liquor	DeminerIALIZED Water	Linoleic Acid	Potassium Hydroxide	Urea
Benzene Sulfonic Acid 10%	Dextrin	Linseed Oil	Potassium Nitrate	Vinegar
Benzoic Acid	Dextrose	Lubricating Oils	Potassium Perborate	Whiskey
Bismuth Carbonate	Diglycolic Acid	Magnesium Carbonate	Potassium Perchlorate	White Liquor (Paper Industry)
Black Liquor (Paper Industry)	Disodium Phosphate	Magnesium Chloride	Potassium Permanganate 10%	Wines
Bleach – 12.5% Active CL ₂	Ethyl Alcohol	Magnesium Hydroxide	Potassium Persulfate	Zinc Chloride
Borax	Ethylene Glycol	Magnesium Nitrate	Potassium Sulfate	Zinc Chromate
Boric Acid	Fatty Acids	Magnesium Sulfate	Propane	Zinc Cyanide
Brine	Ferric Chloride	Maleic Acid	Propyl Alcohol	Zinc Nitrate
Breeder Pellets – Dane. Fish	Ferric Nitrate	Malic Acid	Silicic Acid	Zinc Sulfate
Bromic Acid	Ferric Sulfate	Mercuric Chloride	Silver Cyanide	
Bromine – Water	Ferrous Chloride	Mercuric Cyanide	Silver Nitrate	
Butane	Ferrous Sulfate		Silver Plating Solutions	
Butadiene			Sodium Acetate	

Suggested Format for Specifying Carlon Nonmetallic Conduit, Conduit Fittings and Junction Boxes

- A.** The Carlon rigid nonmetallic conduit system shall be installed as indicated on the drawings and as specified herein.
- B.** All wiring shall be installed in Carlon rigid nonmetallic conduit. All conduit shall be secured by means of proper fittings. All fittings shall be Carlon.
- C.** Carlon outlet boxes, fittings and junction boxes shall be used for all outlets, pull boxes and junction points. (Lighting fixtures shall not be supported or hung from PVC junction boxes but be supported in position by other means.)
- D.** Exposed conduits shall be mounted securely by suitable hangers or straps with the maximum spacing of points of supports not greater than indicated by Section 352.30 of the NEC.
- E.** Except where embedded in concrete or direct buried, Carlon conduit shall be supported to permit adequate lineal movement to allow for expansion and contraction of conduit due to temperature change.
- F.** For aboveground installations where temperature change in excess of 14°C (25°F) is anticipated, expansion joints shall be installed. See Table 352.44(A) NEC for expansion characteristics.
- G.** Proper care shall be taken when field bending is employed to maintain the internal diameter and wall thickness of the conduit.

