

QUASI-FLEX® hand-formable semi rigid substitute

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QUASI-FLEX® has been designed to replace semi-rigid cables whilst retaining similar electrical performances. The copper tube normally used on these cables has been replaced by an optimised tin soaked braided shield. QUASI-FLEX® cables are used to interconnect antennae and active elements, for example repeaters in the payload of a satellite.

QUASI-FLEX® cables have the following properties:

- Excellent memory properties.
- Easy to install hand-formable cable due to the optimised tin soaked shield.



Construction

Cable

- 1 - Inner conductor (SPCW or SPC).
- 2 - Dielectric: solid PTFE.
- 3 - Shield: tin soaked silver plated copper braid (2µm silver).

A protective jacket can be added over the braid.

The components used are manufactured according to ESCC-Q70-71A rev 1.

Operating temperature: -55°C/+150°C

Connection

QUASI-FLEX® cables are fully compatible with standard SMA connectors for semi-rigid cables. Installation procedures are identical.

CABLE REFERENCE	INNER CONDUCTOR		DIELECTRIC		SHIELDING	
	NATURE	Ø mm	NATURE	Ø mm	NATURE	Ø mm
QFX 086 S - P540264	SPCW	0.51	PTFE	1.65	SPC	2.20
QFX 141 S - P540262	SPC	0.92	PTFE	2.95	SPC	3.58

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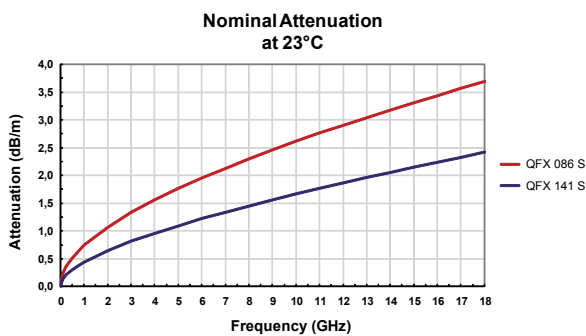
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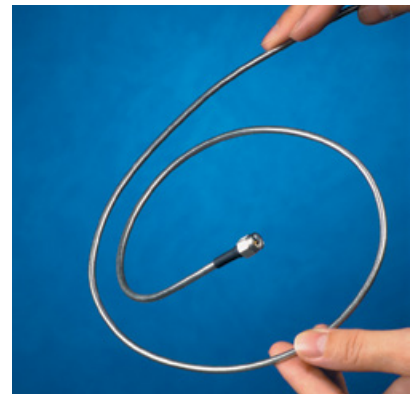
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Electrical characteristics

		QFX 086 S	QFX 141 S
IMPEDANCE (Ω)		50 ± 2	50 ± 2
CAPACITANCE (pF/m)		97	97
PROPAGATION VELOCITY (%)		69	69
WORKING VOLTAGE - MAX (V_{RMS})		1500	2500
INSULATION RESISTANCE		$10^5 M\Omega$	$10^5 M\Omega$
ATTENUATION (dB/m)	@ 1 GHz	0.74	0.44
(NOMINAL VALUES)	@ 3 GHz	1.33	0.81
	@ 5 GHz	1.76	1.09
	@ 10 GHz	2.61	1.66
	@ 18 GHz	3.69	2.42



QUASI-FLEX® WITH SMA CONNECTOR

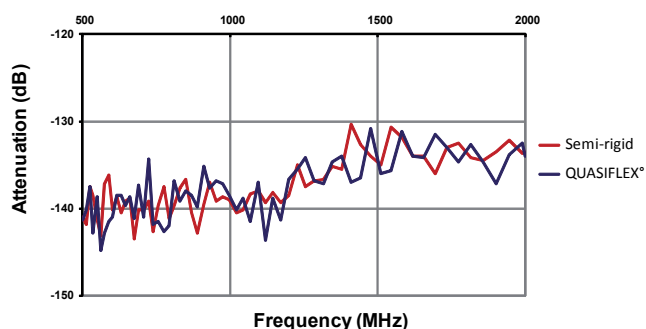


QUASI-FLEX® IS HAND-FORMABLE

Electromagnetic compatibility

The copper tube used for the shielding of semi-rigid cables ensures excellent shield efficiency properties. In order to replace these products, QUASI-FLEX® cables have to offer similar advantages. Tests have been carried out in a mode stirred chamber according to MIL-STD-1344. These tests show that the objectives have been achieved with results close to the limit of the test device sensitivity.

**Comparison of typical screen efficiency values
QUASI-FLEX® and semi-rigid cables**



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