Mechanical Tubing Bundle Bender

Installation Procedures for use with Thermon TubeTrace®, ThermoTube®, & SafeTrace® Products





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Receiving, Storing and Handling . . .

- 1. Inspect materials for damage incurred during shipping. Report damages to carrier for settlement.
- 2. Identify correct tubing bender for the tubing bundle being installed. See Table 1 for bend radius details.
- 3. Determine lengths and number of fittings prior to uncoiling Thermon tubing bundle since repeated uncoiling and recoiling may "work harden" the tubing or damage the bundle.



- 4. Position reel such that tubing bundle may be pulled from the reel allowing installation to begin at an end-point working back toward the reel.
- 5. To uncoil and straighten tubing bundles, anchor the loose end of the tubing on a flat surface and roll the hand coil or shipping reel. If additional straightening is needed, apply moderate tension to the tubing bundles.
- 6. Wooden reels or spools of Thermon tubing bundles can be placed on a pay-off tray as shown in Illustration A. To "pay-off" tubing bundles, place the reel containing the tubing bundle on one tray allowing the tubing to freely unspool from the bottom of the reel.
- 7. Straighten tubing bundle by utilizing a counterspool located in front of the reel containing the tubing (see Illustration A). The counterspool should be located at a distance of 2-1/2 times the diameter of the tubing bundle's shipping reel. Include a vertical offset of 8" to 10" (200 to 250mm) between the reel elevations.

Bending Procedure . . .

Thermon tubing bundles should be installed so there is no strain on any fittings after the installation is complete. The cross-sectional area of the tubing bundle should not be flattened, kinked or wrinkled. Refer to Table 1 for the minimum acceptable bend radius for each type of Thermon tubing bundle. Use a properly sized Thermon mechanical tubing bender to assure constant radius bends where possible. For bend radius greater than 10 inch, use wooden reel or spool as shown below.

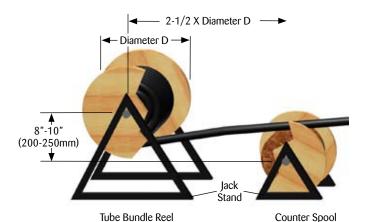




Table 1: Bend Radius

Nominal Bundle O.D. inch (mm)	Minimum Bend Radius inch (mm)
1.3 (33)	6 (152)
1.4 (36)	7 (178)
1.5 (38)	7 (178)
1.7 (43)	8 (203)
1.8 (46)	9 (228)
1.9 (48)	10 (254)
2.1 (53)	11 (279)
2.2 (56)	12 (305)
2.3 (58)	12 (305)
3.0 (76)	16 (406)
3.5 (89)	20 (508)
3.1 (79)	16 (406)

Illustration A: Tubing Payout





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