



# Standard Specification for General-Purpose, Heavy-Duty, and Extra-Heavy-Duty Crosslinked Chlorosulfonated Polyethylene (CSM) Jackets For Wire and Cable<sup>1</sup>

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## 1. Scope

1.1 This specification covers crosslinked chlorosulfonated polyethylene compounds suitable for use as outer coverings or jackets on electrical cables for general-purpose, heavy-duty, and extra-heavy-duty service.

1.2 These jacket materials are not recommended for cables installed at a temperature lower than –25°C.

1.3 Whenever two sets of values are presented, in different units, the values in the first set are the standard, while those in parentheses are for information only.

## 2. Referenced Documents

### 2.1 ASTM Standards:

D 470 Test Methods for Crosslinked Insulations and Jackets for Wire and Cable<sup>2</sup>

D 1248 Specification for Polyethylene Plastics Extrusion Materials for Wire and Cable<sup>3</sup>

D 1711 Terminology Relating to Electrical Insulation<sup>2</sup>

## 3. Terminology

### 3.1 Definitions:

<sup>1</sup> This specification is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee D-9 on Electrical and Electronic Insulating Materials and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee D09.18 on Solid Insulations, Non-Metallic Shieldings and Coverings for Electrical and Telecommunications Wires and Cables.

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<sup>2</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 10.01.

<sup>3</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 08.03.

3.1.1 For definitions of terms used in this specification refer to Terminology D 1711.

### 3.2 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:

3.2.1 *aging (act of), n*—exposure of materials to air at 100°C for 168 h or oil at 121°C for 18 h.

## 4. Test Applicable for Sunlight and Weather-Resistant Materials

4.1 For jackets requiring sunlight- and weather-resistance testing, test in accordance with “Weatherability for Colored Materials” in Specification D 1248. Prepare the specimens in accordance with Test Methods D 470 for physical tests of insulations and jackets.

## 5. Physical Properties

5.1 The jacket shall conform to the requirements for physical properties prescribed in Table 1.

## 6. Sampling

6.1 Sample the jacket in accordance with Test Methods D 470.

## 7. Test Methods

7.1 Unless otherwise instructed, test the jacket in accordance with Test Methods D 470.

## 8. Keywords

8.1 crosslinked chlorosulfonated polyethylene jacket; crosslinked jacket; extra-heavy-duty jacket; general-purpose jacket; heavy-duty jacket; rubber jacket

**TABLE 1 Physical Properties<sup>A</sup>**

Physical Property	General-Purpose	Heavy-Duty	Extra-Heavy-Duty
<i>Unaged Requirements:</i>			
Tensile strength, min, psi (MPa)	1500 (10.3)	1800 (12.4)	2400 (16.5)
Tensile stress at 200 % elongation, min, psi (MPa)	...	500 (3.4)	700 (4.8)
Elongation at rupture, min, %	300	300	300
Tension set <sup>B</sup> , max, %	30	30	30
Tear, min, lb/in. (kN/m)	...	...	40 (7)
<i>Aged Requirements:</i>			
After Air Oven Test at 100 ± 1°C for 168 h:			
Tensile strength, min, % of unaged value	60	85	70
Elongation at rupture, min, % of unaged value	50	65	60
After Oil Immersion Test at 121 ± 1°C for 18 h			
Tensile strength, min, % of unaged value	60	60	60
Elongation at rupture, min, % of unaged value	60	60	60

<sup>A</sup> Values specified are applicable only to jackets having a nominal wall thickness of 0.030 in. (0.76 mm) or greater.

<sup>B</sup> Set in 2-in. (50-mm) gage length.

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