

**3M Advanced Materials Division** 

# 3M<sup>™</sup> Silicon Carbide Thermocouple Protection Tubes

#### Introduction

Thermocouple protection tubes made of 3M<sup>™</sup> Silicon Carbide Grade F (SSiC) show an excellent performance under corrosive and abrasive conditions and very high temperatures. 3M silicon carbide thermocouple protection tubes provide both absolute gas impermeability and high purity of >99% SiC at the same time.

### **Advantages**

- Extreme temperature resistance up to 1,600°C in oxidizing atmospheres and 2,000°C under protective gas/vacuum
- Excellent oxidation resistance
- Fast response due to high thermal conductivity
- Good thermal shock behavior
- No gas permeability
- Pure  $\alpha$ -SiC matrix
- Excellent corrosion resistance against aggressive media
- High abrasion and erosion resistance

## **Applications**

- Furnaces and combustion chambers under harsh conditions (corrosive and abrasive media, high gas velocities)
- Desulfurization units



3M<sup>™</sup> Silicon Carbide Thermocouple Protection Tubes for extreme environments



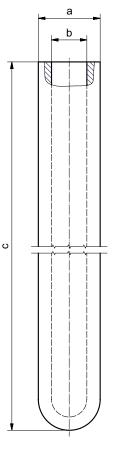
Outside diameter, a (mm)	Inside diameter, b (mm)	Length, c* (mm)
16	8	550
22	12	1050
28	16	1200

\*Up to listed value

## **Typical Material Properties**

(Not for specification purposes)

Property	Unit	3M <sup>™</sup> Silicon Carbide Thermocouple Protection Tubes
Phase Composition		α-SiC
Density	g/cm³	>3.10
Porosity Open	vol %	0
Porosity Total	vol %	<3
Flexural Strength, 4-pt Bending	MPa	400
Compressive Strength	MPa	>2,500
Vickers-hardness HV1	GPa	24.5
Young's Modules	GPa	430
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion		
25 – 500 °C	10⁻ <sup>6</sup> /K	3.8
500 – 1.000 °C	10⁻ <sup>6</sup> /K	5.1
Thermal Conductivity at 25°C	W/m K	130



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