# DURATEST®



# WHEN FAILURE IS NOT AN OPTION AND COST IS A CONSIDERATION.

#### DuraTest™: Extra Durable Everyday Test Assemblies

When you need a general purpose test assembly that can be counted on for the long haul and won't bust the budget, you need a DuraTest assembly.

DuraTest<sup>™</sup> combines:

- The proven toughness of Teledyne Storm cable
- Captivated stainless steel connectors
- Proprietary Hard-To-Hurt<sup>™</sup> strain relief technology

#### Resulting in an **extra durable**, **precision test assembly** that:

- Has an average flex life of 25,000 flexures
- Is guaranteed for one year

#### FEATURES

- Extended frequency SMA plugs
- Combination hex/knurl type N coupling nuts
- Hard-To-Hurt<sup>™</sup> strain relief
- Stainless steel connector bodies

#### A D V A N T A G E S

- Allows testing to 26.5 GHz
- Easier to tighten, while still able to torque down
- Reduces strain at connector/cable interface
- ✤ Reduces interface wear

#### BENEFITS

- One cable for broadband testing
- Reduces fatigue; maintains repeatability
- Extends assembly life; reduces costs
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High value microwave and electronic interconnect solutions

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921		
0.176/4.47		
26.5		
0.17		
0.43		
0.61		
0.78		
0.875/22.2		
50/22.7		
-55 to +110		
25,000		
100		
1.15:1 @ 18 GHz		
1.25:1 @ 26.5 GHz		
±9° @ 18 GHz		

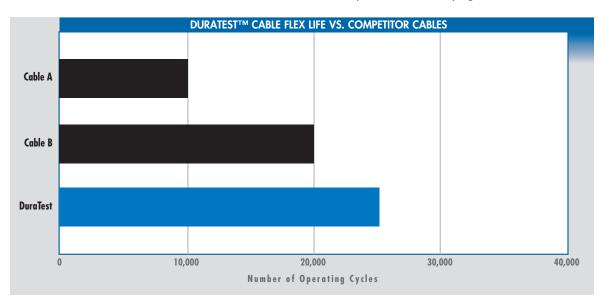
DuraTest<sup>™</sup> is RoHS compliant

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#### **FLEX LIFE**

The DuraTest<sup>™</sup> cable design incorporates Storm's proprietary Hard-To-Hurt<sup>™</sup> strain relief technology in order to extend product life under conditions of repeated flexure, especially right behind the connector.

For a look at how the Hard-To-Hurt<sup>™</sup> strain relief was developed, see the last page of this brochure.

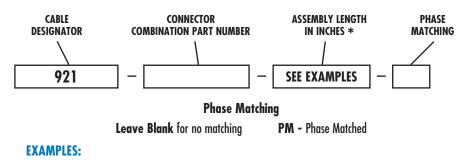




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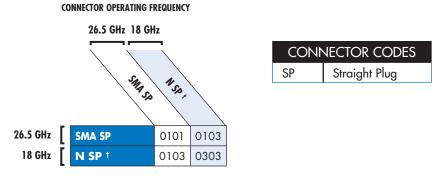
#### ORDERING INFORMATION: Part Number Designation



921-0101-**048** = DuraTest<sup>™</sup>, SMA SP to SMA SP (assembly operates to 26.5 GHz), **48 inches** 921-0103-**120** = DuraTest<sup>™</sup>, SMA SP to N SP (assembly operates to 18 GHz), **120 inches** 921-0303-**018**-PM = Phase Matched DuraTest<sup>™</sup>, N SP to N SP (assembly operates to 18 GHz), **18 inches** 

\* Minimum build length is 18 inches

#### **CONNECTOR COMBINATION PART NUMBERS**



<sup>t</sup> N plug not provided with interface gasket unless requested.

#### ■ ORDERING INFORMATION: DuraTest<sup>™</sup> Express

Express assemblies—in the lengths listed below and terminated with either 26.5 GHz SMA-SMA or 18 GHz N-N connector combinations—are available for next-day shipment. Express assemblies cannot be phase matched.

		10 GHz	18 GHz	26.5 GHz			10 GHz	18 GHz
		VSWR, Typical					VSWR,	Typical
Part Number	Length (in/mm)	1.10:1	1.15:1	1.25:1	Part Number	Longth (in (mm)	1.15:1	1.25:1
w/ SMA SP		Insertion Loss			w/ N SP	Length (in/mm)	Insertio	on Loss
921-0101-024	24.00/609.60	1.00	1.40	1.80	921-0303-024	24.00/609.60	1.00	1.40
921-0101-036	36.00/914.40	1.40	2.00	2.60	921-0303-036	36.00/914.40	1.40	2.00
921-0101-048	48.00/1219.20	1.80	2.60	3.40	921-0303-048	48.00/1219.20	1.80	2.60
921-0101-060	60.00/1524.00	2.30	3.20	4.20	921-0303-060	60.00/1524.00	2.30	3.20
921-0101-072	72.00/1828.80	2.70	3.90	4.90	921-0303-072	72.00/1828.80	2.70	3.90
921-0101-084	84.00/2133.60	3.10	4.50	5.70	921-0303-084	84.00/2133.60	3.10	4.50
921-0101-120	120.00/3048.00	4.40	6.30	8.00	921-0303-120	120.00/3048.00	4.40	6.30



# HARD-TO-HURT<sup>™</sup> STRAIN RELIEF

## Designing the Hard-To-Hurt<sup>™</sup> Strain Relief

Since no industry standard test exists, Teledyne Storm Products developed an accelerated life test to evaluate strain relief designs.

The 1st part of the test incorporated a cable flexing device. This flexer is capable of testing up to 6 cables simultaneously.

In use, the connectors are held static and the flexer deflects the cable behind the connectors  $30^{\circ}$  to the right and  $30^{\circ}$  to the left.

An integrated counter monitors the number of cycles ( $\pm$  30° per cycle) that the cables have been flexed.

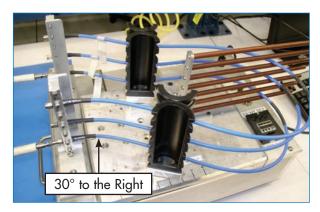
During flexing, the cables are connected to a Network Analyzer and monitored for Insertion Loss and VSWR so the technician knows when the cable is starting to develop instability.

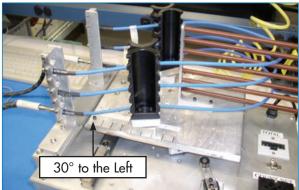
Periodically, the movement is stopped and each cable's performance is measured and recorded.

The flexing is continued until the cable being tested fails to meet the Insertion Loss or VSWR requirements.

To establish an initial design baseline, Teledyne Storm Products evaluated cable assemblies with standard strain reliefs.

With that in hand, alternate strain relief designs and materials were evaluated until the winning Hard-To-Hurt<sup>™</sup> design was selected.





Teledyne Storm Products Accelerated Life Testing

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