

# 3M™ Electrical Spring Connectors 512

## Data Sheet

### Application

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### Wire Range

AWG Range: Solid or stranded copper conductors only. No. 20 thru No. 8 (0,75 mm<sup>2</sup> thru 6,0 mm<sup>2</sup>).

### Construction

Spring - Spring Steel, Corrosion-Resistant Coating  
 Insulator - Flame-Retardant Nylon  
 Color - Red

### Weight

.006 lb. (2,7 gm)

### Engineering Specification

3M Electrical Spring Connector 512 shall be capable of connecting wires within the range of No. 20 thru No. 8 solid or stranded copper conductors in a pigtail application. The connector shall be constructed of an active (live) spring and covered by a flame-retardant nylon insulator. The spring shall have a corrosion resistant coating. The connector shall be UL Listed as a pressure cable connector and be CSA Certified. The connectors shall be voltage rated 600 volts maximum, building wire,

1000 volts maximum signs, fixtures, and luminaires. The connector shall have a maximum operating temperature of 105°C.

### Regulatory Agencies

**UL Listed** as a Pressure Cable Connector  
 Tested per UL Standard 486C  
 UL File No. E23438

**CSA Certified**-CSA Standard C22.2 No. 0, 188-M1983  
 CSA File No. LR15503

Operating Temperature: 105°C (221°F)  
 Voltage Rating: 600 volts max. building wire  
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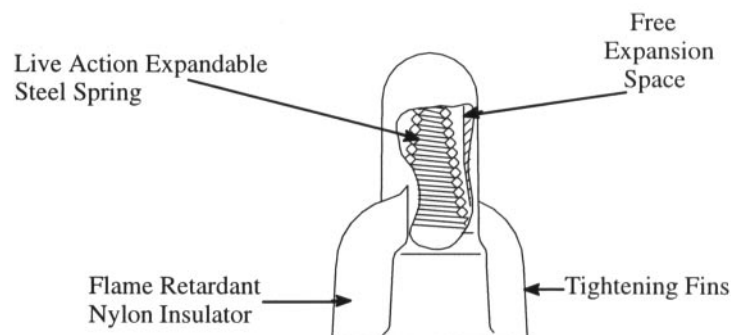
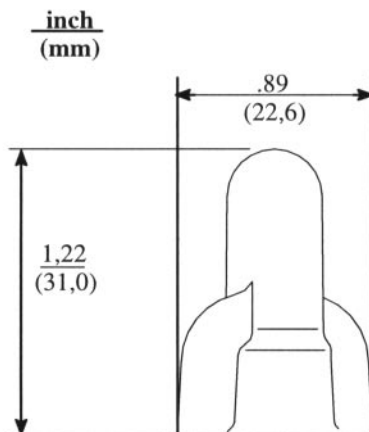
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### Federal Specification W-S-610:

“Commercial package only”

Type	Class	Kind	Style
1	1	cu	G



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## AWG Wire Combinations Copper to Copper Conductors



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All wire combinations are 600 volt UL Listed when using conductors with insulation thickness such as TW and THHN.

UL Listed single wire terminations:  
No: 10, 12 and 14 AWG



All wire combinations are 600 volts CSA Certified

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**How to read this chart:**

**Example 1:**  
1 No. 14 sol  
+ 6 No. 16 sol (7)

**Example 2:**  
1 No. 12 sol  
+ 4 No. 12 str (5)

## Installation Instructions

### WARNING

Turn power off before installing or removing terminal. All electrical work should be done according to appropriate electrical codes.

1. Strip wire insulation to length specified in chart to the right, according to conductor size.
2. Firmly grasp wires, making sure insulation ends are even and tightly bundled. (wires may be twisted or untwisted). Slip connector over wire tips.
3. Turn connector onto wires in a clockwise direction until secure.
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## Metric Wire Combinations

International Electrotechnical Commission



Rated Capacity: 2,0-16,0 mm<sup>2</sup>

Voltage Rating: 600 volts maximum

Reusability: Reusable for same capacity or larger

Wire Type: Copper only

See installation instructions for conductor strip lengths.

I.E.C. Metric Wire Matrix:

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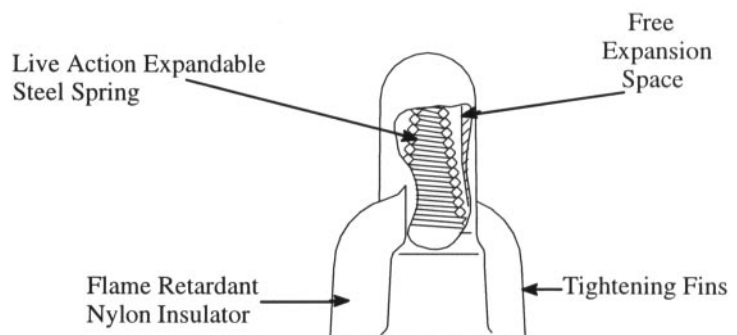
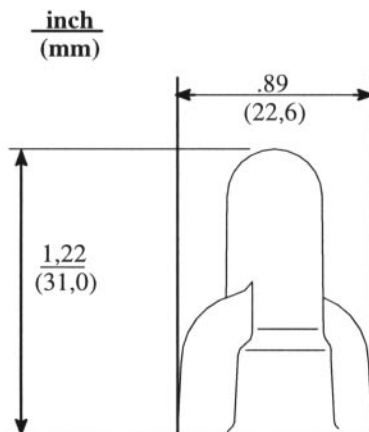
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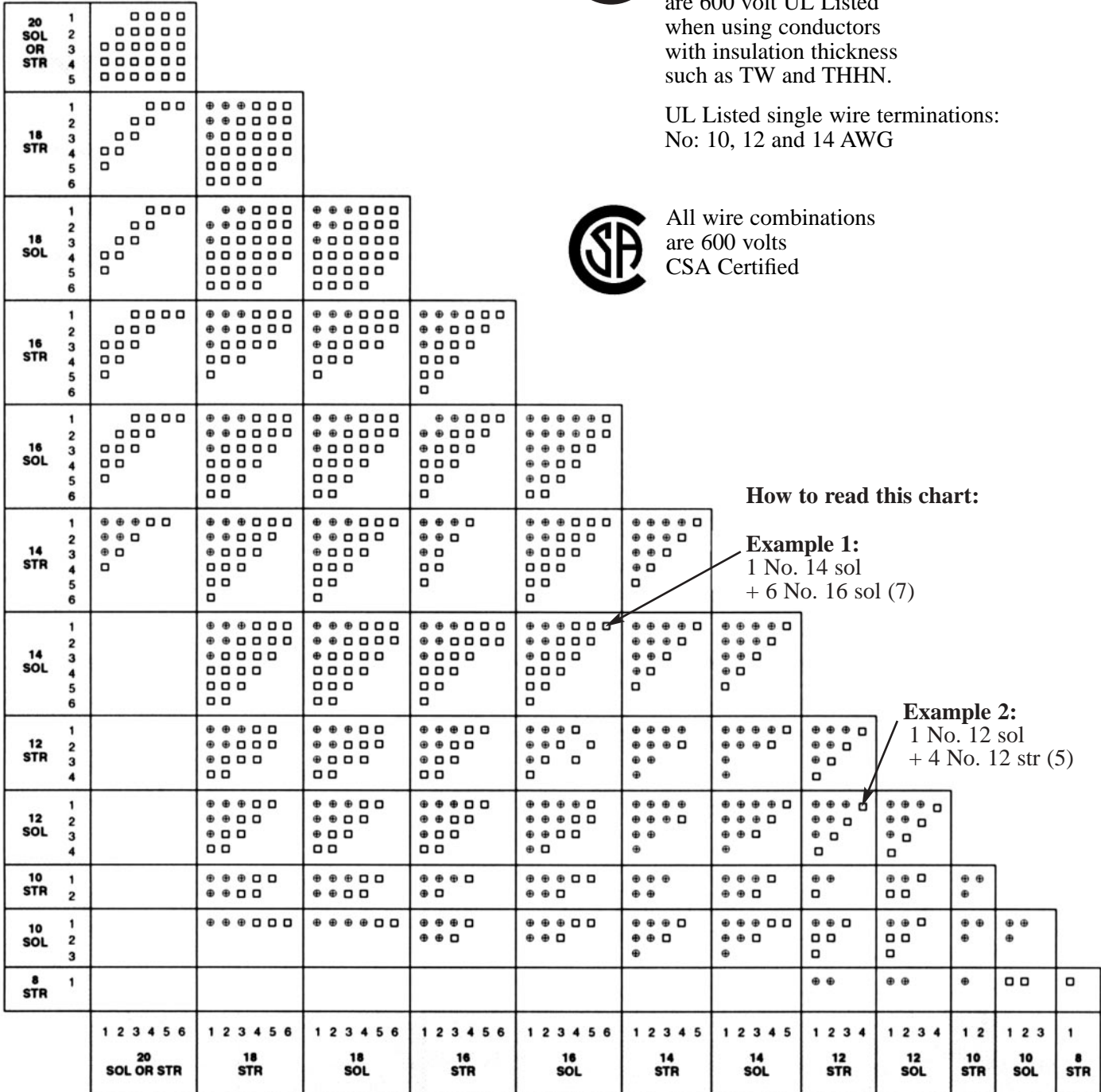
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