



Designation: D 3295 – 01

## Standard Specification for PTFE Tubing, Miniature Beading and Spiral Cut Tubing<sup>1</sup>

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### 1. Scope\*

1.1 This specification covers PTFE tubing, miniature beading and spiral cut tubing—manufactured from PTFE resin produced from dispersion specified in Specification D 4895.

NOTE 1—PTFE tube and rod manufactured from resin specified in Specification D 4894 are covered in Specification D 1710.

1.2 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as the standard. The inch-pound units given in parentheses are for information only.

1.3 The following hazard caveat pertains only to the test method portion, Section 8, of this specification: *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.4 As PTFE resin produced from dispersion is not a true thermoplastic material, any reuse for the specification referenced above is impossible. However, markets do exist for non-virgin PTFE as additives and fillers.

NOTE 2—There is currently no published ISO standard relating to this specification.

### 2. Referenced Documents

#### 2.1 ASTM Standards:

- D 618 Practice for Conditioning Plastics for Testing<sup>2</sup>
- D 792 Test Methods for Specific Gravity (Relative Density) and Density of Plastics by Displacement<sup>2</sup>
- D 883 Terminology Relating to Plastics<sup>2</sup>
- D 1600 Terminology for Abbreviated Terms Relating to Plastics<sup>3</sup>
- D 1675 Test Method for Polytetrafluoroethylene Tubing<sup>4</sup>
- D 1710 Specification for Extruded and Compression Molded Polytetrafluoroethylene PTFE Rod and Heavy Walled Tubing<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> This specification is under the jurisdiction of ASTM Committee D20 on Plastics and is the direct responsibility of Subcommittee D20.15 on Thermoplastic Materials (Section D20.15.12).

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<sup>2</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 08.01.

<sup>3</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vols 08.01 and 08.04.

<sup>4</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 10.01.

D 1898 Practice for Sampling of Plastics<sup>5</sup>

D 3892 Practice for Packaging/Packing of Plastics<sup>6</sup>

D 4894 Specification for Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) Granular Molding and Ram Extrusion Materials<sup>7</sup>

D 4895 Specification for Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) Resin Produced from Dispersion<sup>7</sup>

E 691 Practice for Conducting an Interlaboratory Study to Determine the Precision of a Test Method<sup>7</sup>

IEEE/ASTM SI 10 Standard for Use of the International System of Units (SI): The Modern Metric System<sup>8</sup>

### 3. Terminology

#### 3.1 Definitions:

3.1.1 The terminology given in Terminology D 883 is applicable to this specification.

#### 3.2 Description of Term Specific to This Standard:

3.2.1 *lot*—a single production run, or a uniform blend of two or more production runs.

### 4. Classification

4.1 This specification provides for five groups of PTFE tubing, miniature beading and spiral cut tubing, differentiated by size and type. The groups are further subdivided into classes based on wall thickness.

4.1.1 *Group 01*—Tubing based upon the American Wire Gage (AWG) sizes.

4.1.2 *Group 02*—Tubing based upon fractional inch sizes.

4.1.3 *Group 03*—Tubing specified by inner diameter and wall thickness in Table 6 referred to as “Custom or Metric.”

4.1.4 *Group 04*—Tubing cut to form spiral wrap as in Table 7.

4.1.5 *Group 05*—Miniature beading having diameters as listed in Table 8.

4.2 The types are further differentiated in accordance with increasing wall thickness as follows:

4.2.1 *Class 1*—Tubing having walls tabulated in Table 1 listed as light wall.

4.2.2 *Class 2*—Tubing having walls of greater thickness than Class 1 listed as thin wall.

<sup>5</sup> Discontinued; see 1997 Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 08.01.

<sup>6</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 08.02.

<sup>7</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 14.02.

<sup>8</sup> Available from ASTM International, 100 Barr Harbor Drive, C700, West Conshohocken, PA 19428–2959.

\*A Summary of Changes section appears at the end of this standard.



**TABLE 1 Dimensions and Tolerances for Group 01 PTFE Tubing, mm (in.) (Classes 1 and 2)**

AWG Size Grade	Inside Diameter			Class 1	
				Light Wall	
	min	max	nom	min	max
30	0.25 (0.010)	0.38 (0.015)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
28	0.33 (0.013)	0.46 (0.018)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
26	0.41 (0.016)	0.53 (0.021)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
24	0.51 (0.020)	0.66 (0.026)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
22	0.64 (0.025)	0.81 (0.032)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
20	0.81 (0.032)	1.01 (0.040)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
19	0.91 (0.036)	1.12 (0.044)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
18	1.02 (0.040)	1.25 (0.049)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
17	1.14 (0.045)	1.37 (0.054)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
16	1.30 (0.051)	1.55 (0.061)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
15	1.45 (0.057)	1.70 (0.067)	0.15 (0.006)	0.10 (0.004)	0.20 (0.008)
14	1.65 (0.064)	1.88 (0.074)	0.20 (0.008)	0.15 (0.006)	0.25 (0.010)
13	1.83 (0.072)	2.08 (0.082)	0.20 (0.008)	0.15 (0.006)	0.25 (0.010)
12	2.06 (0.081)	2.31 (0.091)	0.20 (0.008)	0.15 (0.006)	0.25 (0.010)
11	2.31 (0.091)	2.57 (0.101)	0.20 (0.008)	0.15 (0.006)	0.25 (0.010)
10	2.59 (0.102)	2.85 (0.112)	0.20 (0.008)	0.15 (0.006)	0.25 (0.010)
9	2.90 (0.114)	3.15 (0.124)	0.20 (0.008)	0.15 (0.006)	0.25 (0.010)
8	3.28 (0.129)	3.58 (0.141)	0.20 (0.008)	0.15 (0.006)	0.25 (0.010)
7	3.66 (0.144)	4.01 (0.158)	0.20 (0.008)	0.15 (0.005)	0.25 (0.011)
6	4.12 (0.162)	4.52 (0.178)	0.25 (0.010)	0.18 (0.007)	0.33 (0.013)
5	4.62 (0.182)	5.03 (0.198)	0.25 (0.010)	0.18 (0.007)	0.33 (0.013)
4	5.18 (0.204)	5.69 (0.224)	0.25 (0.010)	0.18 (0.007)	0.33 (0.013)
3	5.82 (0.229)	6.33 (0.249)	0.25 (0.010)	0.18 (0.007)	0.33 (0.013)
2	6.55 (0.258)	7.06 (0.278)	0.25 (0.010)	0.18 (0.007)	0.33 (0.013)
1	7.34 (0.289)	7.90 (0.311)	0.25 (0.010)	0.18 (0.007)	0.33 (0.013)
0	8.26 (0.325)	8.81 (0.347)	0.25 (0.012)	0.22 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)

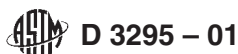
AWG Size Grade	Inside Diameter			Class 2	
				Thin Wall	
	min	max	nom	min	max
30	0.25 (0.010)	0.38 (0.015)	0.23 (0.009)	0.19 (0.007)	0.28 (0.011)
28	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)	0.23 (0.009)	0.18 (0.007)	0.28 (0.011)
26	0.41 (0.016)	0.56 (0.022)	0.23 (0.009)	0.18 (0.007)	0.28 (0.011)
24	0.51 (0.020)	0.69 (0.027)	0.25 (0.010)	0.18 (0.007)	0.33 (0.013)
22	0.64 (0.025)	0.81 (0.032)	0.25 (0.010)	0.18 (0.007)	0.33 (0.013)
20	0.81 (0.032)	1.01 (0.040)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
19	0.91 (0.036)	1.11 (0.044)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
18	1.02 (0.040)	1.25 (0.049)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
17	1.14 (0.045)	1.38 (0.054)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
16	1.30 (0.051)	1.55 (0.061)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
15	1.45 (0.057)	1.70 (0.067)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
14	1.63 (0.064)	1.88 (0.074)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
13	1.83 (0.072)	2.08 (0.082)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
12	2.06 (0.081)	2.31 (0.091)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
11	2.31 (0.091)	2.57 (0.101)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
10	2.59 (0.102)	2.85 (0.112)	0.31 (0.012)	0.23 (0.009)	0.38 (0.015)
9	2.90 (0.114)	3.15 (0.124)	0.38 (0.015)	0.31 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)
8	3.28 (0.129)	3.58 (0.141)	0.38 (0.015)	0.31 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)
7	3.66 (0.144)	4.01 (0.158)	0.38 (0.015)	0.31 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)
6	4.12 (0.162)	4.52 (0.178)	0.38 (0.015)	0.31 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)
5	4.62 (0.182)	5.03 (0.198)	0.38 (0.015)	0.35 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)
4	5.18 (0.204)	5.69 (0.224)	0.38 (0.015)	0.35 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)
3	5.82 (0.229)	6.33 (0.249)	0.38 (0.015)	0.35 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)
2	6.55 (0.258)	7.06 (0.278)	0.38 (0.015)	0.35 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)
1	7.34 (0.289)	7.90 (0.311)	0.38 (0.015)	0.35 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)
0	8.26 (0.325)	8.81 (0.347)	0.38 (0.015)	0.35 (0.012)	0.46 (0.018)

4.2.3 Class 3—Tubing having walls tabulated in Table 2 listed as standard wall.

4.2.4 Class 4—Tubing having walls tabulated in Table 3 listed as chemical tubing.

4.2.5 Class 5—Tubing having walls tabulated in Table 2 and Table 3 listed as heavy wall.

4.3 A one-line system may be used to specify materials covered by this specification. The system uses predefined cells to refer to specific aspects of this specification, as illustrated below.



**TABLE 2 Dimensions and Tolerances for Group 01 PTFE Tubing, mm (in.) (Classes 3 and 4)**

AWG Size Grade	Inside Diameter			Class 3	
				Standard Wall	
	min	max	nom	min	max
30	0.25 (0.010)	0.38 (0.015)	0.23 (0.009)	0.18 (0.007)	0.28 (0.011)
28	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)	0.23 (0.009)	0.18 (0.007)	0.28 (0.011)
26	0.41 (0.016)	0.56 (0.022)	0.23 (0.009)	0.18 (0.007)	0.28 (0.011)
24	0.51 (0.020)	0.67 (0.027)	0.31 (0.012)	0.25 (0.010)	0.36 (0.014)
22	0.64 (0.025)	0.81 (0.032)	0.31 (0.012)	0.25 (0.010)	0.36 (0.014)
20	0.81 (0.032)	1.02 (0.040)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
19	0.91 (0.036)	1.11 (0.044)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
18	1.02 (0.040)	1.25 (0.049)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
17	1.14 (0.045)	1.37 (0.054)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
16	1.30 (0.051)	1.55 (0.061)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
15	1.45 (0.057)	1.70 (0.067)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
14	1.63 (0.064)	1.88 (0.074)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
13	1.83 (0.072)	2.08 (0.082)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
12	2.06 (0.081)	2.31 (0.091)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
11	2.31 (0.091)	2.57 (0.101)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
10	2.59 (0.102)	2.85 (0.112)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
9	2.90 (0.114)	3.15 (0.124)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
8	3.28 (0.129)	3.58 (0.141)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
7	3.66 (0.144)	4.01 (0.158)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
6	4.12 (0.162)	4.52 (0.178)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
5	4.62 (0.182)	5.03 (0.198)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
4	5.18 (0.204)	5.69 (0.224)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
3	5.82 (0.229)	6.33 (0.249)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
2	6.55 (0.258)	7.06 (0.278)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
1	7.34 (0.289)	7.90 (0.311)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
0	8.26 (0.325)	8.81 (0.347)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)

AWG Size Grade	Inside Diameter			Class 5	
				Heavy Wall	
	min	max	nom	min	max
24	0.51 (0.020)	0.69 (0.027)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
22	0.64 (0.025)	0.81 (0.032)	0.41 (0.016)	0.33 (0.013)	0.48 (0.019)
20	0.81 (0.032)	1.02 (0.040)	0.46 (0.018)	0.38 (0.015)	0.53 (0.021)
19	0.91 (0.036)	1.12 (0.044)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
18	1.02 (0.040)	1.25 (0.049)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
17	1.14 (0.045)	1.37 (0.054)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
16	1.30 (0.051)	1.55 (0.061)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
15	1.45 (0.057)	1.70 (0.067)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
14	1.63 (0.064)	1.88 (0.074)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
13	1.83 (0.072)	2.08 (0.082)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
12	2.06 (0.081)	2.31 (0.091)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
11	2.31 (0.091)	2.57 (0.101)	0.51 (0.020)	0.41 (0.016)	0.61 (0.024)
10	2.59 (0.102)	2.85 (0.112)	0.64 (0.025)	0.51 (0.020)	0.76 (0.030)
9	2.90 (0.114)	3.15 (0.124)	0.64 (0.025)	0.51 (0.020)	0.76 (0.030)
8	3.28 (0.129)	3.58 (0.141)	0.76 (0.030)	0.64 (0.025)	0.89 (0.035)
7	3.65 (0.144)	4.01 (0.158)	0.76 (0.030)	0.64 (0.025)	0.89 (0.035)
6	4.12 (0.162)	4.52 (0.178)	0.76 (0.030)	0.64 (0.025)	0.89 (0.035)
5	4.62 (0.182)	5.03 (0.198)	0.81 (0.032)	0.69 (0.027)	0.94 (0.037)

Specification			
Standard Number: Block	Class:	Grade:	Special Notes
Example: Specification	Group:		
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For this example, the line callout would be Specification D 3295 - 01, 01124 and would specify tubing having walls listed as light wall that has all the properties listed for that group, class and grade in the appropriate specified properties, tables, or both, in the specification identified. These shall be based on AWG size within the group and class. Grade will be

the AWG size designation. Only Groups 01 and 02 shall have requirements for Class and no separator is needed.

### 5. Physical Properties

5.1 The tubing and miniature beading shall be made of PTFE meeting the requirements of Specification D 4895 and may contain a maximum of two mass percentage of additive.

5.2 The melting point for all Groups of tubing, and miniature beading shall be 327 ± 10°C (621 ± 18°F) when measured in accordance with 8.1.4.