# FP-00C-US0 FP-00C-VS0 Simplex Friction Plug



## Datasheet



## DESCRIPTION

The Firecomms simplex friction plug offers a fast and secure link providing a moderate retention force using plastic optical fiber (POF). The simplex friction plug is available in both grey and blue colours. The simplex friction plug is compatible with horizontal, vertical and tilted housings.



## **FEATURES**

- Cost-effective, rugged optical links
- Compatible with RedLink<sup>®</sup> and Versatile Link fiber optic transmitters and receivers

Ordering information					
Part Number	Name	Description			
FP-00C-US0	RedLink Simplex Friction Plug, Blue	<ul><li>2.2 mm Blue friction simplex plug and crimp ring with 1 mm core</li><li>2.2 mm Grey friction simplex plug and crimp ring with 1 mm core</li></ul>			
FP-00C-VS0	RedLink Simplex Friction Plug, Grey				

#### **Ordering Information**



## **SPECIFICATIONS**

Plug Specifications							
Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typical	Max	Unit		
Storage Temperature	T <sub>stg</sub>	-40		+85	°C		
Operating Temperature	T <sub>op</sub>	-40		+85	°C		
Installation Temperature	T	0		+70	°C		
Retention Force, Connector to Transceiver (+25°C)	F <sub>R</sub>		8		N		
Retention Force, Connector to Transceiver (-40°C + 85°C)	F <sub>R</sub>	3			N		
Insertion Force, Connector to Transceiver (+25°C)	F <sub>R</sub>		8		N		
Durability, Mating Cycles		500					
Fixing Method	Crimp						

## **MECHANICAL DIMENSIONS**





## CONNECTOR AND CABLE ASSEMBLY AND POLISHING

#### **Cable Stripping**

Strip off approximately 3 mm of the outer jacket from the 2.2 mm POF cable.



Figure 1. Jacket Strip Length

In order to strip the jacket from the POF, insert the cable into the hole at the bottom of the Firecomms POF cutter (PC-220F-410). After insertion, twist the cutter 360 degrees to cut the jacket and pull out the cable to reveal the exposed POF core.



Figure 2. Jacket Stripper on POF cutter

#### **POF Insertion**

Insert the stripped POF cable into the backside of the connector until the mechanical stop is reached. Approximately 1.5 mm of the POF internal core should protrude from the top of the connector.



Figure 3. Cable and Connector Positioning



#### **Crimping Plug**

Place the plug into a suitable crimp tool (e.g. FF-HTCRMP-1) with hexagonal crimp of 4.85 mm across flats. Use crimp tool to fasten the cable onto the plug. Ensure the crimp ring is tight and the simplex friction plug is undamaged after crimping.



Figure 4. Secure Simplex Connector

#### Polishing

Insert the connector fully into a polishing disc. Press the disc on polishing paper (600 grit) and polish the fiber until it is flush with the connector. Rotate in a figure of 8 format which will erode the core material of the cable. Use a hard and plain support plate (e.g. glass plate).

After polishing, wipe the connector with a clean tissue removing foreign particles. Using 3µm grit, polish again for a smooth surface and wipe clean again. Best attenuation values are achieved applying wet polishing.



Figure 5. Polishing Disc

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