

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

HANDLING AND MANAGEMENT OF ABF FIBER BUNDLES

FIBER BUNDLE DO's and DON'T's

DO - Check for Bundle Overlap
DO - Avoid Bundle Accumulation of Slack
DO - Secure Bundle to Reel when not in use
DO - Double-Check Before Blowing Begins

DON'T - Transit/Store - Reel Side Down
DON'T - Allow Bundle to Overlap or Loop
DON'T - Transit/Store w/o Clamshell
DON'T - Neglect to Check Before Blowing
DON'T - Be the Cause for Project Delays



Important Note: Except during an active Blowing Operation, the Fiber Bundle should always be protected from Dust and Debris by using the Clamshell. More Importantly the Fiber Bundle must always be secured to the Reel so that it cannot become unwrapped and or tangled during transit. Never transit or store the Fiber Bundle reel-side down.

Important Note: Before attempting to load the Fiber Bundle into the Blowing Head it is very important to make sure that the Fiber Bundle has not overlapped itself and is wound evenly across the spool. If the Fiber Bundle is overlapped prior to starting the blowing operations, the overlap can cause the Fiber Bundle to become tangled on the Reel and at some point during the blow will create a binding condition that may prevent the Fiber Bundle from freely feeding off the Reel. For this reason, the Blowing Head Operator must ensure the Fiber Bundle has not become looped around itself. Failure to perform this step could result in Damage to the Fiber Bundle, Halting the Blowing Operations and impacting the cost of materials and labor while creating delays to the project schedule. Do not begin blowing operations without ensuring the Fiber Bundle has not overlapped onto itself.

Important Note: This same rule must be adhered to when blowing operations have stopped "for any reason" in the event that the reel continues to spin and the Fiber Bundle continues to feed off the Reel. This scenario can cause the slack Fiber Bundle to become overlapped or tangled in itself. For this reason, the Operator must pay close attention to the reel at all times to avoid the accumulation of slack. The Blowing Head Operator must always ensure no overlapping has occurred to the Fiber Bundle before trying to install it.