

DANFOSS RX-C SELF-REGULATING HEATING CABLE SPECIFICATION FOR ROOF AND GUTTER DE-ICING

1.0 GENERAL

Supply and install a complete system comprised of heating cables, accessories and controls for keeping roof eaves, gutters and downspouts from being clogged by ice and snow

2.0 MATERIAL

- 2.1 Shall be Danfoss RX-C self-regulating heating cable.
- 2.2 The self-regulating heating cables shall consist of two (2) 16 AWG nickel-plated copper bus wires embedded in parallel in a radiation-cross linked polymer core that varies its power output in response to temperature all along its length, allows the heating cable to be cut in the field.
- 2.3 The heating cable shall be covered with a radiation cross-linked polyolefin dielectric jacket and protected by a tinned-copper braid and a polyolefin outer jacket.
- 2.4 The heating cable shall operate on line voltage of (select: 120V, 240V, 208V or 277V).
- 2.5 The heating cable shall have a nominal power output of 12W per foot in snow and ice and 5 watts per foot in air.
- 2.6 Power connection, end seal, splice, and tee connection kit, shall be able to be applied on site.
- 2.7 Shall be approved to applicable UL and CSA standards.
- 2.8 Heating cable circuit shall be protected by a ground fault device in accordance with section 426 of the NEC.

3.0 SYSTEM CONTROL

Option 1: Automatic Snow Controller

The system shall be controlled by Danfoss GX850 control panel with external digital temperature and moisture sensors either directly or through an appropriate contactor.

Option 2: Snow Switch Control

The system shall be controlled by Danfoss DS-8 temperature and moisture sensor either directly or through an appropriate contactor.

Option 3: Thermostat

The system shall be controlled by an ambient sensing thermostat Danfoss 088L3422 either directly or through an appropriate contactor.

Option 4: Manual Switch

The system shall be controlled by a manual switch either directly or through an appropriate contactor.

- 3.1 Automatic Snow Controller shall be microprocessor based to provide effective, economical automatic control.
- 3.2 Automatic Snow Controller shall have dual zone capability.
- 3.3 Automatic Snow Controller shall have an adjustable timer providing up to 10 hours of system operation after snowfall ceases.
- 3.4 Automatic Snow Controller shall have the following modes
 - a. Automatic
 - b. Constant OFF
 - b. Constant ON (manual timer)
- 3.5 Automatic Snow Controller shall have adjustable parameters
 - a. Melting temperature (32 °F to 49 °F).
 - b. Moisture sensibility (5 to 95).
- 3.6 Automatic Snow Controller shall be able to indicate the actual temperature and moisture levels for sensors.
- 3.7 Automatic Snow Controller shall have info-button for help/information.
- 3.8 Automatic Snow Controller shall have self-diagnosis program, which will detect faults and give an alarm.

- 3.9 Automatic Snow Controller shall have individual LEDs to provide indication of alarm and heater operation.
- 3.10 Automatic Snow Controller shall be capable of accepting four roof sensors.
- 3.11 Automatic Snow Controller shall have multi-language capabilities (English, Spanish and French).
- 3.12 Sensors shall include 50' lead.

4.0 EXECUTION

4.1 Installation

- a. The heating cable should be laid in gutters; shall be suspended in downspouts either as a loop or a single length and held in place by a downspout hanger (edge protection plate); and shall be attached to the roof using the roof clip.
- b. The heating cable shall be protected from damage and installed according to manufacturer's instructions.
- c. Inspect the cable and controls upon receiving the shipment. Note any damage and ensure materials received match the order and shipping documents.

4.2 Tests

- a. After installation, the dielectric jacket's insulation resistance from the conductors to the shield shall be greater than 1000 megohms.