

HAND CRIMP TOOL

Application Tooling Specification Sheet



Order No. 200218-0100

FEATURES

- A full-cycle ratcheting hand tool ensures complete crimps
- Ergonomic soft grip handles for comfortable crimping
- A precision user-friendly terminal locator holds terminals in the proper crimping position
- Right or left-handed operation
- Dies and Locator from this tool can be used in the Battery Powered Tool Order No.63816-0200 (110 V) or 63816-0250 (220 V), with the use of the 63816-0800 Crimp Head
- This tool is IPC/WHMA A-620 Class 2 compliant
- For 20 AWG crimps, use hand tool 200218-2100

SCOPE

Products: Mini-Fit[™] TPA Male and Female Crimp Terminals, 18-20 AWG, large and small insulation grips.

Terminal Series	Terminal Order No.					Wire Size		Insulation Diameter Maximum+		Strip Length		
No.	Loose Piece		*Reel		AWG	mm²	mm	mm In. mm		In.		
172718	172718-3112	172718-3122	172718-3111	172718-3121	10	NA	1.42	0.056	3.2 – 3.8	0.12 – 0.15		
	172718-4112	172718-4122	172718-4111	172718-4121	10		2.85	0.112				
172765	172765-3122		172765-3121		10	NA	1.42	0056				
	172765-4122		172765-4121		10		2.85	0.112				
*Customer to cut off terminal from reel: 0.2mm (.008") maximum Cut-off Tab.												
+ See conditions on page 2												

DEFINITION OF TERMS



The above terminal drawing is a generic terminal representation. It is not an image of a terminal listed in the scope.

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CONDITIONS

After crimping, the crimped terminal should measure as follows:

Terminel	Wire Size		Conductor Crimp				Insulation Crimp				Pull Force		+ Drofile		
Part No.			Height		Width (Ref.)		Height (Ref.)		Width (Ref.)		Minimum		+ FIOIIIe		
	AWG	mm ²	mm	ln.	mm	In.	mm	In.	mm	In.	Ν	Lb.	Α	В	С
172718-31xx							2.14	0.084	2.06	0.081					Χ
172718-31xx	18	NA	1.05 – 1.15	0.041 – 0.045	1.52	0.060	2.50	0.098	2.40	0.094	89	20.0	Х		
172718-41xx							3.10	0.122	3.10	0.122				Х	
172765-31xx							2.14	0.084	2.06	0.081					Χ
172765-31xx	18	NA	1.05 – 1.15	0.041 – 0.045	1.52	0.060	2.50	0.098	2.40	0.094	89	20.0	Χ		
172765-41xx							3.10	0.122	3.10	0.122				Χ	
+ To Achieve IPC-A-620 Class 2 Crimps, the following over-all wire insulation diameter ranges are recommended:															
Profile A: 1.93 – 2.03mm (0.076 – 0.080 inch) or UL1007															
Profile B: 2.59 – 2.79mm (0.102 – 0.110 inch) or UL1015															
Profile C: 1.58 – 1.78mm (0.062 – 0.070 inch) or UL1061															

Tool Qualification Notes:

- 1. Pull Force should be measured with no influence from the insulation crimp.
- The above specifications are guidelines to an optimum crimp. 2.

▲ Note:

The crimp height chart is provided with this document as Reference Only. Due to the wide range of wires, strands, insulation diameters, and insulation hardness available, actual crimp height measurements may vary slightly. An occasional, destructive, pull force test should be performed to verify the conductor crimp. Pull Force value must exceed the Minimum pull force specifications LOCATOR listed. IN DOWN

HANDLE WILL

OPERATION

LOCATOR

PUSHED THRU

TOOLING



CAUTION: Crimp only the Molex terminals listed in the scope for this tool. Do not crimp hardened objects as damage can occur to the tool frame and/or crimp dies.

Open the tool by squeezing the handles together. At the end of the closing stroke, the ratchet mechanism will release the handles and the hand tool will spring open. See Figure 1.



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TERMINAL

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Crimping Terminals

- 1. Select the desired terminal listed in the preceding charts.
- 2. Make sure the center of the locator is in the down position. With the locator attached, push the locator button on the back of the hand tool to bring the locator forward through the tooling. See Figure 2.
- 3. While holding the locator button in, load the terminal into the proper nest opening in the locator based on the wire gauge or terminal type markings on the hand tooling. See Figure 3.
- 4. Release the locator button, allowing the locator to return to the crimping position.
- 5. Close the tool handle until the first ratchet position engages. See Figure 4.
- 6. Insert the properly stripped wire through the terminal and against the wire stop. See Figure 5.
- 7. Crimp the terminal by squeezing the tool handles until the ratchet mechanism cycle has been completed. Release the handles to open the jaws.



TOOLING

PARTIALLY

CLOSED

Figure 4

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PARTIALLY

CLOSE HANDLE

OPEN POSITION

FIRST RATCHE

POSITION

10. On some large O.D. wires, it may not be possible to insert the wire with the tool partially closed. Those wires should be inserted with the hand tool in the open position. Insert the wire above the terminal in the punch and against the wire stop then close the tool. See Figure 6.

Locator Replacement

See the parts list on the last page of this document for the proper locator order number. Follow the steps below to replace the locator.

- 1. Open the crimp hand tool.
- 2. Squeeze gently on the lower area shown in Figure 7A with your thumb and index finger. The lower tabs of the locator should disengage from the hand tool.
- 3. Lift and pull away from the hand tool. The top locator hooks should slip out of the top slots easily. See Figure 7A.
- 4. To reinstall the new locator, make sure the hand tool is in the open position.
- 5. Press the red insert down as far as it will go as shown in Figure 7B.
- 6. Holding onto the lower part of the locator with your thumb and index finger, insert the locators top hooks (2) into the hand tool top slots.
- 7. Rotate the locator down and press the lower tabs into the two bottom slots of the hand tool. To secure the locator into place, the lower tabs must snap into place on the hand tool frame.

Right or Left Hand Operation

This hand tool has an added feature that can be converted from a right handed application to a left handed application. It is necessary to reverse the tooling if using the left handed application along with the locator. Follow the steps below:

- 1. The locator must be removed before reversing the tooling.
- 2. Remove the M3 BHCS which is holding the upper toolina.
- 3. Flip the upper tooling to the opposite side and replace the M3 BHCS. Make sure the small markings on the front and back of the hand tool frame, match up and are on the outside of the hand tool frame. See Figure 8 and 9.



- 4. Do the same thing with the lower tooling and tighten the M3 screws. Be sure the small markings line up.
- 5. Reinstall the locator by following the Instructions in the locator replacement section.



Maintenance

It is recommended that each operator of the tool be made aware of, and responsible for, the following maintenance steps:

- 1. Remove dust, moisture, and other contaminants with a clean brush, or soft, lint free cloth.
- 2. Do not use any abrasive materials that could damage the tool.
- 3. Make certain all pins; pivot points and bearing surfaces are protected with a thin coat of high quality machine oil. Do not oil excessively. The tool was engineered for durability but like any other equipment it needs cleaning and lubrication for a maximum service life of trouble free crimping. Light oil (such as



30 weight automotive oil) used at the oil points, every 5,000 crimps or 3 months, will significantly enhance the tool life.

- 4. Wipe excess oil from hand tool, particularly from crimping area. Oil transferred from the crimping area onto certain terminations may affect the electrical characteristics of an application.
- 5. When tool is not in use, keep the handles closed to prevent objects from becoming lodged in the crimping dies, and store the tool in a clean, dry area.

Miscrimps or Jams

Should this tool ever become stuck or jammed in a partially closed position, **do not** force the handles open or closed. The tool will open easily by pressing up on the ratchet release lever in the movable handle. See Figure 11.

How to Adjust Tool Preload (See Figure 12)

This hand tool is factory preset to 25-45 LBS. preload. It may be necessary over the life of the tool to adjust tool handle



preload force. Listed below are the steps required to adjust the crimping force of the hand tool to obtain proper crimp conditions:

- 1. Hold the hand tool in the palm of your hand as shown in Figure 12. Using the index finger squeeze the link towards the top of the hand tool frame. This will release the preload adjustment wheel.
- 2. Rotate the setting wheel counter-clockwise (CCW) to increase handle force. The numbers will display higher. To decrease handle force rotate the setting wheel clockwise (CW).
- 3. Release the link to lock the setting wheel in place.
- 4. Check the crimp specifications or conduct a pull test after tool handle preload force is adjusted.

Warranty

This tool is for electrical terminal crimping purposes only. This tool is made of the best quality materials. All vital components are long life tested. All tools are warranted to be free of manufacturing defects for a period of 30 days. Should such a defect occur, we will repair or exchange the tool free of charge. This repair or exchange will not be applicable to altered, misused, or damaged tools. This tool is designed for hand use only. Any clamping, fixturing, or use of handle extensions voids this warranty.

CAUTION: Molex crimp specifications are valid only when used with Molex terminals and tooling.

CAUTIONS:

- 1. Manually powered hand tools are intended for low volume or field repair. This tool is NOT intended for production use. Repetitive use of this tool should be avoided.
- 2. Insulated rubber handles are not protection against electrical shock.
- 3. Wear eye protection at all times.
- 4. Use only the Molex terminals specified for crimping with this tool.

Certification

Molex does not certify or re-certify hand tools but rather supplies the following guidelines for customers to re-certify hand tools.

- This tool is qualified to pull force only. See the Molex web site for the Quality Crimp Handbook for more information on pull testing.
- If the tool does not meet minimum pull force values, handle preload should be increased and the pull test rerun. (See How to Adjust Preload).
- When the hand tool is no longer capable of achieving minimum pull force, it should be taken out of service and replaced.

PARTS LIST

Item Number	Order Number	Description	Quantity		
REF	200218-0100	Hand Crimp Tool	Figure 13		
1	200218-0175	Locator Assembly	1		
2	63810-0104	Spring, Return	1		
3	63810-0105	Spring, Ratchet	1		



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