Order Number 200218-1700





Application Tooling Specification

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. 63816-0270 (110 V) or 63816-0280 (220 V), with the use of the 63816-0800 Crimp Head
- This tool is IPC/WHMA-A-620 Class 2 compliant, as indicated on page 2

SCOPE

Products: Mini-Fit TPA Male and Female Crimp Terminals, 16 AWG, large and small insulation grips.

Terminal Series No.		Terminal	Wire Size	Insulation Maxim		Strip Length				
	Loose	Piece	* R	eel	AWG	mm	In.	mm	In.	
172718	172718-1112	172718-1122	172718-1111	172718-1121	16	2.55	.100			
1/2/10	172718-2112	172718-2122	172718-2111	172718-2121	10	3.14	.124			
202988	172718-1142	172718-1242	202988-1141	202988-1241	16	2.55	.100		.120150	
202900	172718-2142	172718-2242	202988-2141	202988-2241	10	3.14	.124	2 20 2 90		
172765	172765-1122		172765-1121		16	2.55	.100	3.20-3.60	.120150	
	172765-2122		172765-2121		10	3.14	.124			
203070			203070-1141	203070-1241	10	2.55	.100			
			203070-2141	203070-2241	16	3.14	.124		ĺ	
*Customer to cut off terminal from reel: 0.20mm (.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 the following:

Terminal	Wire Size		Conductor Crimp			Insulation Crimp				Pull Force		+ Profile			
Part No.			Height		Width (Ref.)		Height (Ref.)		Width (Ref.)		Minimum		+ FIOINE		
	AWG	mm²	mm	In.	mm	In.	mm	In.	mm	In.	Ν	Lb.	Α	В	С
172718-11xx 172718-21xx							2.35	.093	2.50	.098					x
202988-11xx 202988-12xx	16	_	1.28-1.38	.050054	1.83	.072	2.70	.106	2.80	.110	88	19.8	x		
202988-21xx 202988-22xx							3.35	.132	3.20	.126				x	
172765-11xx 172765-21xx							2.35	.093	2.50	.098					x
203070-11xx 203070-12xx	16	_	1.28-1.38	.050054	1.83	.072	2.70	.106	2.80	.110	88	19.8	X		
203070-21xx 203070-22xx							3.35	.132	3.20	.126				x	
+ To achiev	 To achieve IPC/WHMA-A-620 Class 2 Crimps, the following overall wire insulation diameter ranges are recommended: Profile A: 2.30-2.50mm (.091098") or UL1007 Profile B: 2.85-3.05mm (.112120") or UL1015 Profile C: 1.95-2.15mm (.077085") or UL1061 														

Tool Qualification Notes

- 1. (Ref) means that the dimension provided is approximate because of the wide range of wires, conductor stranding, insulation diameter and insulation hardness.
- 2. An occasional conductor crimp height measurement should be performed. It must lie between the minimum and maximum crimp height specification.
- 3. Pull force should be measured with no influence from the insulation crimp. To ensure this, strip the wire long enough so the terminal insulation grips do not contact the wire insulation.

Notes

- 1. This tool should only be used for the terminals and wire gauges specified on this sheet.
- 2. Variations in tools, terminals, wire stranding and insulation types may affect crimp height.
- 3. This tool is intended for AWG conductor sizes. It may not give good insulation crimp support for insulation sizes outside of the specified range.
- 4. Molex does not repair hand tools. See warranty on page 6. The replacement parts listed are the only parts available for repair. If the handles or crimp tooling become damaged or worn, a new tool must be purchased.
- Conductor crimp height should be used as the final criterion for an acceptable crimp. Refer to Molex Quality Crimping Handbook 63800-0029 for additional information on crimping and crimp testing.
- 6. Molex does not certify crimp hand tools.

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. The pull force value must exceed the minimum pull force specifications listed.

▲ Insulation Crimp Note

Due to the terminal's insulation grip design or insulation diameter range, this tool uses the overlap form geometry in the insulation punch. This produces an overlap insulation crimp (A-620-compliant). Although the insulation punch profile may appear lopsided, this is a normal condition for this tool. See figure to the right. Some tools with multiple crimp pockets may not have the overlap profile on all pockets.

OPERATION

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 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.

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.

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- 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.

Note: The tamper-proof ratchet action will not release the tool until it has been fully closed.

- 8. Remove the crimped terminal from the terminal locator by pulling on the wire.
- 9. Visually inspect the crimped terminal for proper crimp location.
- 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.



TOOLING PARTIALLY

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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 hand crimp 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 locator's top hooks (2) into the hand tool's top slots.



Figure 6

Hand Crimp Tool for Mini-Fit TPA Male and Female Crimp Terminals

 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-Handed Operation

This hand tool has an added feature that can be converted from a right-handed application to a lefthanded 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 that is holding the upper tooling.
- 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 Figures 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 a 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 troublefree 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 the hand tool, particularly from the crimping area. Oil transferred from the crimping area onto certain terminations may affect the electrical characteristics of an application.
- 5. When the 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.



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TOOLING

PULL OPEN

Figure 8

PUSH ON

TOOLING

M3 BHCS

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 pounds 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:

- Hold the hand tool in the palm of your hand as shown in Figure 12. Using your index finger, squeeze the link toward the top of the hand tool frame. This will release the preload adjustment wheel.
- Rotate the setting wheel counterclockwise (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, Molex 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 use 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. To re-certify, crimp a terminal to a wire that has been stripped 12.7mm (.50") long so there is no crimping of the insulation. Pull the terminal and wire at a rate no faster than 25mm (1.00") per minute. See the Molex website 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 should be 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	200218-1700	Hand Crimp Tool	Figure 13		
1	200218-1775	Locator Assembly	1		
2	63810-0104	Spring, Return	1		
3	63810-0105	Spring, Ratchet	1		



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