

## **RECOMMENDED SPLICING PROCEDURE**

- 1. Locate wire to be spliced into.
- 2. Cut wire at least 1-1/2" from any other splice, connector, or terminal. If wires are covered by tubing or braid, remove enough of it to achieve the minimum clearance required.
- 3. Strip away 5/16" of the insulation from the ends of the wires to be spliced.
- 4. Slide two wires into one end of the supplied parallel splice.
- Place a piece of heatshrink tubing (3/16" x 1-1/4" long) over the remaining wire to be spliced. Cut tubing into 1-1/4" lengths if required.
- Insert wire into the open end of the splice and crimp using an appropriate crimp tool. One or two crimps may be necessary to ensure a good connection. No wire strands should be visible outside of the splice.
- 7. Preheat a soldering tool for at least one minute to help promote even solder flow.
- 8. Apply heat to the splice. Avoid heating too close to the insulation. Apply solder to the wires. Use just enough solder to produce an even flow through the splice. Use rosin core solder ONLY. Do not use acid core solder.

NOTE: Avoid using an excessive amount of solder as it can result in wicking. Wicking occurs when solder travels up the wire core. This may cause the wire to become stiff or brittle which could lead to a broken or open circuit.

- 9. Check circuits for continuity.
- 10. Cover the splice with heatshrink tubing. The tubing should extend beyond the splice on both sides.
- 11. Using a hot air source, starting in the center and working to either side, apply heat until the tubing recovers and glue can be seen around the edges. Allow the tubing to cool before handling.

NOTE: The splices supplied will accommodate 18-gauge wires as shown. For larger gauge wires, cut the wire, strip the ends 3/8" to 1/2", and twist together. Apply solder to the splice and cover with heatshrink tubing.



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