# **UNITHERM**<sup>TM</sup> Engineering Design Guide For Electric Traced Products

 Parallel Circuit Self-Regulating Heating Element (CPD) Heater
 2256 / 2266

## Engineering Design Guide Parallel Circuit Heater UNITHERM TM

# UNITHERM TM 2256/2266 Parallel Circuit Self-Regulating

#### Principal of Operation

Unitherm 2256/2266 selfregulating electric trace tubing is comprised of a self-regulating heating element laid parallel to the process tubes, a heat reflection foil wrap, moisture resistant, non-wicking, inorganic fibrous glass thermal insulation, and a 105°C black PVC jacket. The highly efficient LTM design will provide freeze protection (40°F, 4.4°C) at ambient temperatures down to -40°F (-40°C). The HTM design will provide a minimum process tube temperature of 100°F (38°C) at -40°F (-40°C) ambient. Designs are approved for Class I, Division 2, Groups B, C & D; Class II, Division 2, Groups F & G; Class III, Division 2 areas.

#### Features

Self-regulating heating element
Pre-insulated and prefabricated for fast, easy installation.

- Consistent and predictable thermal characteristics.

#### **Applications**

- Analyzer and instrument lines
- Small diameter process lines

- Impulse lines

### How to Specify Example: 2266-20A30

Unitherm self-regulating LTM electric trace tubing (2) 1/4" O.D. x .035" wall 316-Welded S/S tube; (1) 5 watts/ft @ 120 VAC self-regulating heating element; moisture resistant, non-wicking, inorganic fibrous glass thermal insulation; 105°C black PVC jacket; MTR\*\*= 185°F

\* \*Maximum Temperature Rating is the design condition for which this product is manufactured. Temperatures in excess of this rating may result in deterioration of the components or changes in the operational characteristics.





#### **Electrical Specifications**

The heating element is composed of two parallel stranded nickel-plated copper bus wires uniformly connected with an extruded semi-conductive web, having a positive temperature resistance coefficient. The element is covered with a protective plastic jacket to provide electrical protection and an outer metallic braid is added to provide a fault current path to ground.

Bus Wires	.16 AWG stranded nickel-plated copper
Jacket	.18 mill minimum thickness plastic composite or
	Fluoropolymer
Metallic Braid	.34 AWG tinned copper
Operating Voltage	120 or 240 volts depending upon heater rating

Rating	Maximum Circuit Length	Maximum	
	(Ft.) 120V / 240V	Temperature Rating	
5 watts/ft. Low Temp	270/540	185ºF / 85ºC	

180/280

5 watts/ft. Low Temp 10 watts/ft. High Temp

The 2256 and 2266 products are approved by Factory Mutual for use in the following hazardous locations:

(1) Class I, Division 2, Groups B, C, and D

(2) Class II, Division 2, Groups F& G

(3) Class III, Division 2

These locations are as defined by the National Electrical Code – National Fire Protection Association No. 70, articles 500 through 503.

366ºF / 185ºC

## Performance Curves 2256/2266

#### How to use Graphs

The graphs plot the expected process tube temperature vs. ambient for the size and the three standard bundle tube sizes and the two standard heaters.

To determine the process tube temperature, draw a line vertically upward from the ambient temperature until it intersects the tube size line for the given bundle.

Then, draw a line horizontally to the left until it intersects the process tube temperature axis and read the temperature.

Circuit breaker sizing should be based upon the circuit breaker selection chart for the lowest temperature condition at which the system may be energized. The 2256/2266 products, using the SR heater should be controlled with an ambient sensing thermostat. The thermostat should be set to close approximately 5°F higher than the lowest allowable process tube temperature. Load requirements of the thermostat should be based upon the circuit breaker selection.

2256/66 Low Temp

Breaker	r Sizing vs	Max Circ	uit Length	i (feet)
if	15A	20A	30A	40A
started	120V 240V	120V 240V	120V 240V	120V 240V
@50°F	230 460	270 540		
@ 0°F	150 300	200 400	270 540	
@-20°F	130 260	175 345	260 520	270 540

#### 2256/66 High Temp

Breaker Sizing vs Max Circuit Length (feet)								
if	15/	4	20	)A	30	)A		
started	120V 2	40V	120V	240V	120V	240V		
@50°F	90	140	120	190	180	280		
@ 0°F	85	130	110	175	165	260		
@-40°F	80	125	105	170	160	250		

Due to imaging and distortion chart points can only be used for approximations. Process Tube Temperature Vs. Ambient Temperature for:



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