MINING REELING CONTROL CABLE · MOBILE MACHINERY | 300/500 V | 4 sizes | CSP rubber

FC-MCR-S 8G 300/500 V

Mining Reeling Control Cable 300/500 V – 8-core reeling control cable, CSP rubber sheath. Complete technical data sheet: construction, dimensions, weights, current ratings, standards and installation guidance for 4 sizes.

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01 Application and Product Overview

FC-MCR-S 8G is a 8-core reeling control cable rated 300/500 V for cable reels on drill rigs, LHD machines, shuttle cars and mobile mining plant. It has fine-wire class 5 copper cores with halogen-free EPR/HEPR rubber insulation, an inner sheath and an outer sheath of chlorosulfonated polyethylene (CSP) rubber, resistant to weather, ozone and oil. Core cross-sections: 0.5 – 1.5 mm².

Design

8 cores in concentric layers with a short lay length and polyester binder tape. Black cores carry white numbers; the green-yellow protective core lies in the outer layer. The cores are bound with halogen-free filler and covered by an inner sheath before the outer sheath is applied.

Typical applications

- Control, signal and measuring circuits of drill rigs, LHD machines, shuttle cars and mobile crushers supplied through a cable reel
- Spring-driven and motor-driven cable reels on mining machines, cable handlers and conveyor take-up systems
- Operation with repeated winding, unwinding and bending within the permitted bending radius
- Wet, muddy, oily and abrasive environments typical of underground headings and open pits
- Control cabinets, junction boxes and remote-control stations of mining machinery
- Open-pit and surface duty that calls for a rubber sheath with proven weather, ozone and oil resistance

4 sizes	300/500 V	+90 °C	CSP rubber
Cross-section 0.5 – 1.5 mm²	Rated voltage U_0/U	Maximum conductor temperature	Sheath: CSP rubber

Key features

- Fine-wire class 5 copper cores with insulation thickness to 300/500 V for reliable operation on a reel
- Cores laid in concentric layers with a short lay length and polyester binder tape
- Number-printed black cores; green-yellow protective core in the outer layer (G types)
- CSP rubber sheath with proven weather, ozone and oil resistance
- Flame retardant to IEC 60332-1-2

Service notes for mining duty

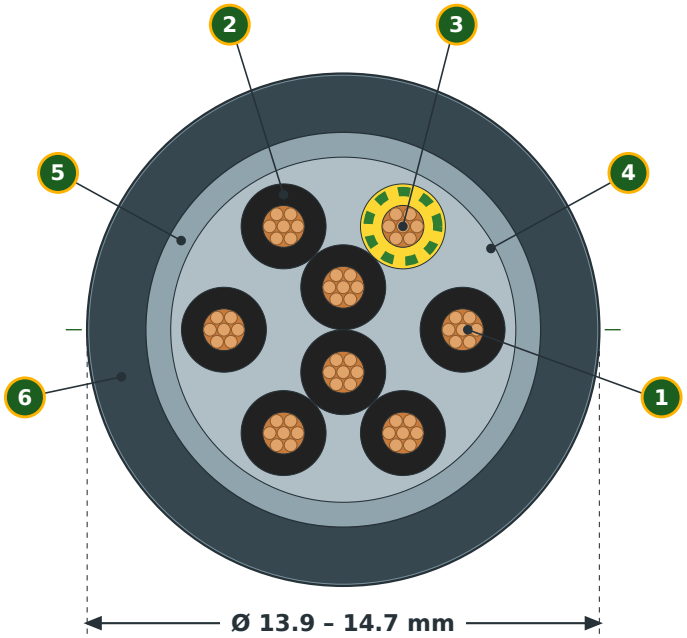
- Route control cables on the reel in a separate channel from MV or unscreened power cables, or use the screened version.
- Strip the outer sheath only as far as required for termination and seal the cable entry against water.

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02 Construction

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No.	Component	Material
1	Conductor	Bare annealed fine-wire copper, class 5 to IEC 60228
2	Insulation	Halogen-free EPR/HEPR rubber
3	Protective (PE) core	Class 5 copper, green-yellow insulation
4	Filler and binder tape	Halogen-free compound, polyester tape
5	Inner sheath	Halogen-free polymer compound
6	Outer sheath	Chlorosulfonated polyethylene (CSP) rubber, resistant to weather, ozone and oil

The drawing shows size 8G0.75. Other sizes have the same construction with scaled dimensions.

Construction details

Conductor	Bare annealed fine-wire copper, class 5 to DIN EN 60228 / IEC 60228 / VDE 0295
Insulation	Halogen-free EPR/HEPR rubber to IEC 60502-1, maximum conductor temperature 90 °C
Core identification	Black cores with white numbers; green-yellow protective core in the outer layer
Stranding	Cores stranded in concentric layers with a short lay length; polyester binder tape
Inner sheath	Halogen-free polymer compound, extruded tightly over the stranded cores
Outer sheath	Chlorosulfonated polyethylene (CSP) rubber, resistant to weather, ozone and oil

Sheath material

The chlorosulfonated polyethylene (CSP) rubber sheath is a proven heavy-duty trailing-cable material: excellent resistance to weather, ozone, heat and mineral oil, good mechanical robustness and low-temperature flexibility to −30 °C in motion. CSP contains halogen; where halogen-free cables are specified, select the PUR version of the same construction.

03 Electrical, Thermal and Mechanical Characteristics

Electrical data

Rated voltage U_0/U	300/500 V AC
Test voltage	2 kV AC, 5 min
Maximum operating voltage, DC	0.45/0.83 kV
Current-carrying capacity	To DIN VDE 0298-4 at 30 °C ambient; the table gives rated design values
Conductor resistance	Maximum at 20 °C, class 5 to IEC 60228

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Thermal and mechanical data

Maximum conductor temperature	+90 °C
Maximum temperature at short circuit	+250 °C
Ambient temperature, fixed installation	−40 °C to +90 °C
Ambient temperature, in motion	−30 °C to +90 °C
Minimum bending radius	Fixed: 4 × D (D ≥ 8 mm), 3 × D (D < 8 mm); moving or reeling: 6 × D (D ≤ 12 mm), 8 × D (D ≤ 20 mm), 10 × D (D > 20 mm)
Maximum tensile load	15 N/mm² continuous, on the total copper cross-section of the power cores
Maximum travelling speed	60 m/min on a cable reel; higher speeds on request
Flame propagation	IEC 60332-1-2 / DIN EN 60332-1-2
Halogen-free	No (CSP rubber sheath)
UV and ozone resistance	Resistant
Mineral oil resistance	Resistant, IEC 60811-404

04 Dimensions, Weights and Rated Data – 300/500 V (4 sizes)

Type designation cores × mm²	FeiChun article no.	Conductor Ø max mm	Outer Ø min mm	Outer Ø max mm	Min. bend radius mm	Weight approx. kg/km	Max. pull force N	R_{20} max Ω/km	Current per core A	I_k (1 s) kA
8G0.5	FC-MC312-001	1.0	13.0	13.8	110	196	60	39.0	7	0.071
8G0.75	FC-MC312-002	1.2	13.9	14.7	118	233	90	26.0	9	0.107
8G1	FC-MC312-003	1.4	14.6	15.5	124	267	120	19.5	10	0.143
8G1.5	FC-MC312-004	1.7	16.7	17.7	142	356	180	13.3	14	0.214

Current-carrying capacity: rated design values to DIN VDE 0298-4 for flexible cables, free air, 30 °C ambient; values per core include the derating factor for the number of cores; for other ambient temperatures, grouping or layered winding on a reel, apply the factors below. Pull force = 15 N/mm² × total copper cross-section of the power cores. Diameters, dimensions and weights are nominal design values and vary within manufacturing tolerances; confirm critical dimensions before dimensioning reels, guides or festoon systems. Other sizes and configurations are produced to order.

Ambient temperature factors (conductor 90 °C)

°C	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
Factor	1.08	1.04	1.00	0.96	0.91	0.87	0.82

Short-circuit current rating

I_k = 0.143 kA/mm² × cross-section of the power core (conductor 90 °C → 250 °C). For another short-circuit duration t: $I_{k,t} = I_{k,1s} / \sqrt{t}$ (0.1 s ≤ t ≤ 5 s).

05 Reeling Performance and Reel Design Data

The values below support the dimensioning of the cable reel: minimum reel core diameter, copper weight for earthing and loop-resistance calculations, cable weight, and the rated current for the number of layers wound on the reel.

Type designation cores × mm²	Outer Ø max mm	Min. bend radius on reel, mm	Min. reel core Ø mm	Copper weight kg/km	Cable weight kg/100 m
8G0.5	13.8	110	220	36	19.6
8G0.75	14.7	118	236	53	23.3
8G1	15.5	124	248	71	26.7
8G1.5	17.7	142	284	107	35.6

Reel design guidance

- Minimum reel core diameter = 2 × minimum bending radius = 2 × minimum bending radius (outer diameter D).
- Fit a guide or level-wind that keeps the cable parallel to the reel axis to prevent crossing turns.
- Rated current falls with the number of layers on the reel because heat is not dissipated; see the layer factors below.

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06 Selection Guide and Sizing Aid

FC-MCR-S 8G covers 4 sizes. The smallest, 8G0.5, has an outer diameter of up to 13.8 mm and weighs about 196 kg/km; the largest, 8G1.5, has an outer diameter of up to 17.7 mm and weighs about 356 kg/km, 1.8 times as much. Across the range the rated current per core rises from 7 A to 14 A at 30 °C, and the minimum bending radius from 110 mm to 142 mm.

Example 1. A circuit carries 8 A per core at an ambient temperature of 40 °C. Required table current = 8 / 0.91 = 9 A per core. The smallest suitable size is 8G0.75 with 9 A per core.

Example 2. A circuit carries 9 A per core at an ambient temperature of 35 °C. Required table current = 9 / 0.96 = 10 A per core. The smallest suitable size is 8G1 with 10 A per core.

Type designation cores × mm²	Total copper mm²	Cable weight kg/100 m	Winding capacity m	Free-hanging length m (vertical)
8G0.5	4	19.6	22,560	31
8G0.75	6	23.3	20,250	39
8G1	8	26.7	17,770	45
8G1.5	12	35.6	13,560	51

Winding capacity is an indicative value for a reel with 2,500 mm flange diameter, 1,000 mm traverse width, core diameter equal to the minimum reel core diameter and 90 % fill; it is not a substitute for the reel manufacturer’s calculation. Free-hanging length = permissible pull ÷ (weight × 9.81); it is the length at which the cable’s own weight reaches the rated pull, without any safety factor for hoisting.

07 Engineering Profile by Size

Each size of FC-MCR-S 8G with the values that matter when sizing a circuit: dimensions, weight, copper share, heat and voltage drop at rated current, and the permissible pull. Voltage drop is for 100 m of cable at rated current with conductors at 90 °C (single-phase AC or DC round trip).

Choose 8G0.5 when the load is near 7 A: the conductor resistance is 39.00 Ω/km, the overall size is Ø 13.8 mm and the weight 196 kg/km. The minimum reel core is 220 mm and the 1 s short-circuit rating 0.07 kA. Per 100 m, 8G0.5 contains 3.6 kg of copper and 16.0 kg of insulation, filler and sheath material, which sets the scrap value and the recycling split.

8G0.75: Ø 14.7 mm; bend radius 118 mm; weight 233 kg/km. Voltage drop at rated current (9 A) is 59.7 V per 100 m, loss 5.4 W/m, and the cable can support 39 m of its own length vertically at the rated pull of 90 N. Handling 8G0.75: 23.3 kg per 100 m, bending radius 118 mm; two people can lift a 20 m piece of about 4.7 kg.

For 8G1 the design values are: Ø 15.5 mm, 267 kg/km, 120 N permissible pull, 10 A rated current. The copper accounts for 27% of the weight, and 5.0 W/m is dissipated at full load, so heat-sensitive reel layers should be derated as shown in section 04. A 500 m length of 8G1 weighs about 134 kg; with a 248 mm minimum core the drum must be sized for that load.

For 8G1.5 the design values are: Ø 17.7 mm, 356 kg/km, 180 N permissible pull, 14 A rated current. The copper accounts for 30% of the weight, and 6.6 W/m is dissipated at full load, so heat-sensitive reel layers should be derated as shown in section 04. Reel and handling: at 8G1.5 the minimum reel core is 284 mm and the cable weighs 35.6 kg per 100 m, so a 500 m length weighs about 178 kg before the drum.

08 Configuration Guidance and Variant Comparison

Typical case: a drill rig that moves its control and sensor signals in a separate channel from the power reel. For this case FC-MCR-S 8G is a fit in the 8G0.75 size (Ø 14.7 mm).

CSP rubber suits open-pit and surface duty where heat, weather, ozone and oil dominate over abrasion, and where halogen content is acceptable.

Rated 300/500 V, the cable has thin insulation for control circuits up to 500 V; do not use it on power circuits.

In the drawn size 8G0.75 the cores fill 48% of the circle inside the inner sheath, the inner sheath is 0.7 mm thick and the outer sheath 1.6 mm, giving a total wall of 2.3 mm around a core bundle of Ø 9.6 mm.

FC-MCR-S 8G is one of 360 datasheets in the mining reeling control cable group and one of 953 in the library. The next smaller core count, FC-MCR-S 7G, has an outer Ø of 12.5 mm at 0.75 mm² against 14.7 mm here. The next larger core count, FC-MCR-S 10G, measures 14.9 mm and weighs 253 kg/km (this model: 233 kg/km).

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Element inventory and core layout

Element inventory of the drawn size 8G0.75: 8 elements with 6.0 mm² of copper in total. The 8 cores are stranded in 2 concentric layers (layer 1: 2 cores; layer 2: 6 cores), counted from the centre outwards, each layer with a short lay length and alternating lay direction. Keeping about 15 % of the cores as spare leaves 5 usable circuits plus the protective core; plan the core allocation before ordering because the number cannot be changed after manufacture.

Element	Quantity	Cross-section	Ø over insulation mm	Copper mm²
Power / main core	7	0.75 mm²	2.4	5.2
Protective (PE) conductor	1	0.75 mm²	2.4	0.8

Termination data (indicative)

Type designation cores × mm²	Outer Ø or W × H mm	Cable gland thread	Lug / ferrule bolt	Strip length mm	Terminal row mm	Gland-to-bend straight mm
8G0.5	13.8	M25	ferrule	12	41	55
8G0.75	14.7	M25	ferrule	12	41	59
8G1	15.5	M25	ferrule	12	41	62
8G1.5	17.7	M32	ferrule	12	41	71

Gland, lug and terminal-row values are planning guides computed from the dimensions above; confirm them with the accessory manufacturer.

Comparison with related variants at size 8G0.75

Variant	Differs in	Outer Ø / H mm	Weight kg/km	Pull N	Current A
This datasheet FC-MCR-S 8G	–	14.7	233	90	9
FC-MCR-U 8G 300/500 V	sheath	14.7 (+0%)	210 (-10%)	90 (+0%)	9 (+0%)
FC-MCR-S 7G 300/500 V	configuration	12.5 (-15%)	182 (-22%)	79 (-12%)	10 (+11%)
FC-MCR-S 10G 300/500 V	configuration	14.9 (+1%)	253 (+9%)	112 (+24%)	9 (+0%)
FC-MCR-S-C 8G 300/500 V	screen	15.6 (+6%)	290 (+24%)	90 (+0%)	9 (+0%)
FC-MCR-S 8G 0.6/1 kV	voltage class	15.6 (+6%)	255 (+9%)	90 (+0%)	9 (+0%)
FC-MCR-S 5G 300/500 V	configuration	11.7 (-20%)	152 (-35%)	56 (-38%)	12 (+33%)

Percentages show the change against this datasheet for the same cross-section; use them to judge what a change of sheath, voltage class, screen or tensile braid costs in size and weight.

09 Standards and Testing

Standard	Scope
DIN EN 60228 / IEC 60228 / VDE 0295	Conductors, class 5
IEC 60502-1	Insulation compound, power cables up to 1 kV
DIN VDE 0298-3	Application of cables – bending radii and tensile loads
DIN VDE 0298-4	Application of cables – current-carrying capacity
DIN EN 60332-1-2 / IEC 60332-1-2	Flame propagation, single cable
DIN VDE 0293-308	Core identification
IEC 60811-404	Mineral oil immersion test

Routine and type tests

- AC voltage test on every reel length (routine test): 2 kV AC, 5 min
- Conductor resistance and checks of dimensions, insulation thickness and sheath thickness
- Continuity of conductors and protective earth
- Bending, tensile tests (type test)
- Flame propagation (IEC 60332-1-2)

Test documentation: every delivery is accompanied by a test certificate from FeiChun’s own laboratory. Third-party witnessed tests can be arranged at the buyer’s cost.

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10 Installation, Marking and Delivery

Installation guidance

- Use a reel core diameter of at least twice the minimum bending radius; keep the cable free of loops and kinks while winding.
- Do not exceed the tensile load in the table; relieve the cable of tension at the reel hub and at the machine.
- Connect the protective core (G types) at both ends; terminate the screen 360° where fitted.
- Inspect the sheath regularly for abrasion and mechanical damage.

Sheath marking

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FEICHUN FC-MCR-S [cross-section] 300/500 V [year] [serial no.] [metre mark]
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Packing and delivery

Reel	Steel or fumigated wooden reels; cable ends sealed with heat-shrink caps
Delivery length	As ordered, in one continuous length without joints
Lead time	2–3 weeks after technical approval
Warranty	At least 3 years against manufacturing defects
Reel label	Type, cross-section, length, gross/net weight, batch no., reel no.

Ordering information

Order example: FC-MCR-S 8G0.75 300/500 V – 500 m on one steel reel. When requesting a quotation, state the cable type, configuration, cross-section, voltage, length per piece, required standards and installation conditions.

11 Certification and Quality

All cable is subject to FeiChun’s quality control, with routine testing over 100 % of the delivered length. Certificates, type tests and third-party tests (for example partial discharge or compatibility with cable accessories) are provided per project requirement; copies of the records are available on request.

Mine-specific approvals (for example coal-mine safety marks, MSHA, or ATEX / IECEx for gassy atmospheres) are not implied by this datasheet; they depend on the project, the machine and the country and are arranged with the end user.

12 Related Datasheets

Variants of this cable with a different sheath, configuration or voltage. All datasheets are in PDF format.

- FC-MCR-U 8G 300/500 V – 8-core reeling control cable, PUR
- FC-MCR-S 7G 300/500 V – 7-core reeling control cable, CSP rubber
- FC-MCR-S 10G 300/500 V – 10-core reeling control cable, CSP rubber
- FC-MCR-S-C 8G 300/500 V – 8-core reeling control cable with overall tinned-copper braid screen, CSP rubber
- FC-MCR-S 8G 0.6/1 kV – 8-core reeling control cable, CSP rubber
- FC-MCR-S 5G 300/500 V – 5-core reeling control cable, CSP rubber
- FC-MCR-S 12G 300/500 V – 12-core reeling control cable, CSP rubber
- FC-MCR-S 4G 300/500 V – 4-core reeling control cable, CSP rubber

Overview of all datasheets: Mining Reeling Control Cables 300/500 V and 0.6/1 kV

Frequently asked questions

What is FC-MCR-S 8G used for?
Typical applications include control, signal and measuring circuits of drill rigs, LHD machines, shuttle cars and mobile crushers supplied through a cable reel.

What are the outer diameter and minimum bending radius of 8G0.75?
The outer diameter is 13.9 to 14.7 mm and the minimum bending radius in moving or reeling operation is 118 mm (6 to 10 × D depending on diameter).

What minimum reel core diameter is needed for 8G0.75?
At least 236 mm, which is twice the minimum bending radius of 118 mm. A larger core diameter extends cable life.

What current can each core of 8G0.75 carry?
The table gives 9 A per core in free air at 30 °C ambient, already reduced for the number of cores; apply the ambient temperature factor and, on a reel, the layer factor.

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How much tensile load can 8G0.75 take, and how long can it hang freely?
The permissible pull force is 90 N. With a weight of about 233 kg/km this corresponds to a free-hanging vertical length of about 39 m before the rated pull is reached; apply your own safety factor for hoisting or suspended installations.

What is the voltage drop and heat loss of 8G0.75 at rated current?
At 9 A and a conductor temperature of 90 °C the voltage drop is about 59.7 V per 100 m and the conductor loss about 5.4 W per metre (maximum resistance 26.000 Ω/km at 20 °C).

Is this cable halogen-free?
No. The CSP rubber sheath contains halogen. If halogen-free cables are required, select the PUR version of the same construction.

Which cross-sections are available?
FC-MCR-S 8G: 0.5, 0.75, 1, 1.5 mm². Other sizes and special designs can be produced to order.

Does this datasheet include mine-specific approvals?
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