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THIN WALL HEAT SHRINK TUBING ENABLES MEDICAL DEVICE DESIGNERS TO DEVELOP COMPLEX HIGH-PERFORMANCE PRECISION COMPONENTS

Problem-solving heat shrink tubing permits the manufacture of stronger, thinner, more flexible medical devices

Croydon, PA: Thin wall and ultra thin wall PVC and PET heat shrink tubing from Gilbreth enables medical device designers to develop smaller, thinner, complex multi-component products that offer greater durability, improved flexural strength, leak resistant and space-saving characteristics that provide innovative solutions for manufacturing processes and in-patient placement difficulties.

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Ultra thin Gilbreth PVC and PET shrink film can be selected in a variety of thicknesses to improve levels of stiffness and flexibility control desired in a catheter. As a fast and economical way to join dissimilar materials or to provide low-profile encapsulation for electrical insulation, the uniform, non-conductive thin gauge tubing can be applied over metal or braided shafts to eliminate the risk of pinholes that sometimes occur when curing traditional liquid coatings.

Gilbreth thin film tubing can be used to cover sharp edges; bundle multiple plastic and/or metal tubes and wires; contain optical fibers or multi-strand braided components; cover spring coils and mask radio-opaque areas. In addition, the thin, seamless tubing can be slipped over a balloon catheter or other product assembly to provide extra reinforcement for medical devices within pressure applications.

Gilbreth heat shrink tubing can be pre-printed with any color and graphic to feature accurately calibrated placement depth marks or provide product identification and labeling information.

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Gilbreth, a pioneer in shrink film applications for over 40 years, offers a broad range of heat activated PVC and PET shrink tubing, tamper-evident packaging bands and sleeves and anti-counterfeit sleeve labels.

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