

# ALPHA<sup>®</sup> EXACTALLOY<sup>®</sup> PREFORMS

Tape and Reel Packaging; Rectangles - Use with Solder Paste

## DESCRIPTION

**ALPHA Exactalloy Preforms** in tape and reel packaging provide an easy to implement method for controlling or increasing solder volume. Tape and reel preforms are specifically targeted at electronic assembly applications. These solder rectangles do not contain flux but rely on paste flux dispensed during the assembly process; or in the case of PCB assembly rely on flux present in solder paste to support reflow. Solder rectangles in tape and reel packaging are placed with standard pick and place equipment. The wide selection of sizes provides maximum flexibility and cost effectiveness since a single preform can usually be chosen to provide exactly the solder volume needed.

READ ENTIRE TECHNICAL DATA SHEET BEFORE USING THIS PRODUCT

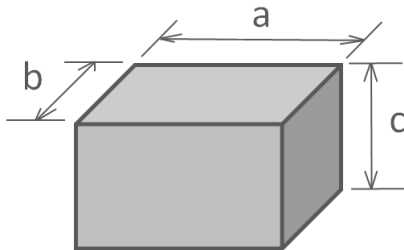
## FEATURES & BENEFITS

### Features

- Rectangles available in chip capacitor sizes including: 0603, 0402, 0201, and many others
- Do not contain flux, but rely on the flux from solder paste or paste flux for reflow
- Wide alloy flexibility, including common lead free and lead containing alloys used in PCB assembly
- Fast placement utilizing standard equipment
- IEC 60286 Tape and Reel Packaging
- Low Temperature Alloy – Sn42Bi57.6Ag0.4

### Benefits

- Precisely defines solder volume
- Ideal for pin in hole applications – and the elimination of wave soldering
- Reduces flux residues and solder spatter by reducing flux-solder ratio of standard solder paste
- Eliminate the use of step stencils
- Compatible with standard library pick and place routines
- Compatible with standard nozzle sizes
- Preforms available in all standard solder paste alloys

**PRODUCT INFORMATION**

**Legend**

a = length  
b = width  
c = thickness

S = Symmetrical  
H = "Half-height"  
B = Customized

Tolerance (mm)	a	b	c	x
Regular	± 0.05	± 0.05	± 10%	
Symmetrical (S)	± 0.03	± 0.01	± 0.01	

Size		Dimensions			Volume	Dimensions			Volume	Pb-Free	Sn-Pb	SnBiAg
inch	mm	a	b	c		a	b	c				
		mm			mm <sup>3</sup>	mil			mil <sup>3</sup>			
<b>0201H</b>	0503H	0.51	0.25	0.10	0.013	20	10	4	800	✓		
<b>0201</b>	0503	0.47	0.28	0.28	0.037	19	11	11	2,249	✓	✓	✓
<b>0202</b>	0505	0.51	0.51	0.25	0.065	20	20	10	3,968	✓	✓	
<b>0402H</b>	1006H	1.00	0.60	0.25	0.125	39	24	10	9,154	✓	✓	✓
<b>0402</b>	1005	1.00	0.50	0.50	0.250	39	20	20	15,256	✓	✓	✓
<b>0603H</b>	1608H	1.60	0.80	0.50	0.640	63	31	20	39,055	✓	✓	✓
<b>0603</b>	1608	1.60	0.80	0.80	1.024	63	31	31	62,488	✓	✓	✓
<b>0805H</b>	2013H	2.01	1.30	0.40	1.045	79	51	16	63,782	✓	✓	✓
<b>0805</b>	2013	2.01	1.30	0.76	1.986	79	51	30	121,186	✓	✓	✓
<b>0805S</b>	2013S	2.01	1.30	1.30	3.397	79	51	51	207,292	✓	✓	*
<b>1406</b>	3515	3.56	1.52	0.77	4.167	140	60	30	254,263	✓	✓	*

\* Production will depend on market demand, please check with your local sales representative for availability.

**APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

ALPHA Exactalloy Tape and Reel Preforms Rectangles, when placed in solder paste or paste flux, precisely control solder volume. They can be used in a variety of electronic assembly applications including, increasing solder volume on both PCB pads and plated through holes.

Only a portion of the preform needs to be in contact with the solder paste, providing significant implementation flexibility. Lead-free preforms should contact the solder paste with at least 25% of the preform. Lead containing parts should contact the solder paste with at least 10% of the preform.

As a quick reference, the preform can be up to **4 times** the volume of the solder paste without diluting the flux excessively in AIR reflow or a stretch up to **10 times** under N2 reflow environment.

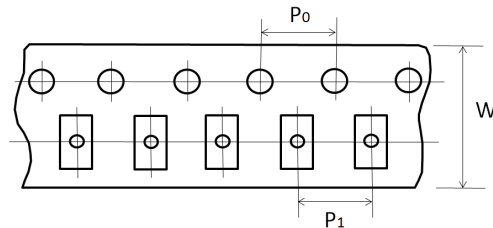
**TECHNICAL DATA**

Standard	Alloy Designation		Melting or Solidus / Liquidus Temp °C
J-STD-006B	Pb-free	SAC305 / 387 / 357 / 405	217 to 221
	Low-temp	Sn42Bi57.6Ag0.4	138 / 139
	High-Reliability	Innotot	206 to 218
	Sn-Pb	Sn63Pb37 / Sn62Pb36Ag2	179 to 183
Proprietary	Low Silver	SACX Plus 0307	217 to 228

\* Also available in other or special alloys on request.

**Packaging (IEC-60286-x)**

Carrier Tape Width		8 mm	
Pitch	P0	4 mm	
	P1	≤ 0402	2 mm
		≥ 0402	4 mm
Reel Size		7" & 13"	



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Our service collects solder dross, solder scrap, and various forms of solder paste waste. Please contact your local sales representative for recycling capabilities in your area or [link here](#).



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**STORAGE**

The parts are packaged in ESD safe reels. When properly stored (ambient temperatures and dry), the warranty period is 2 years.

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