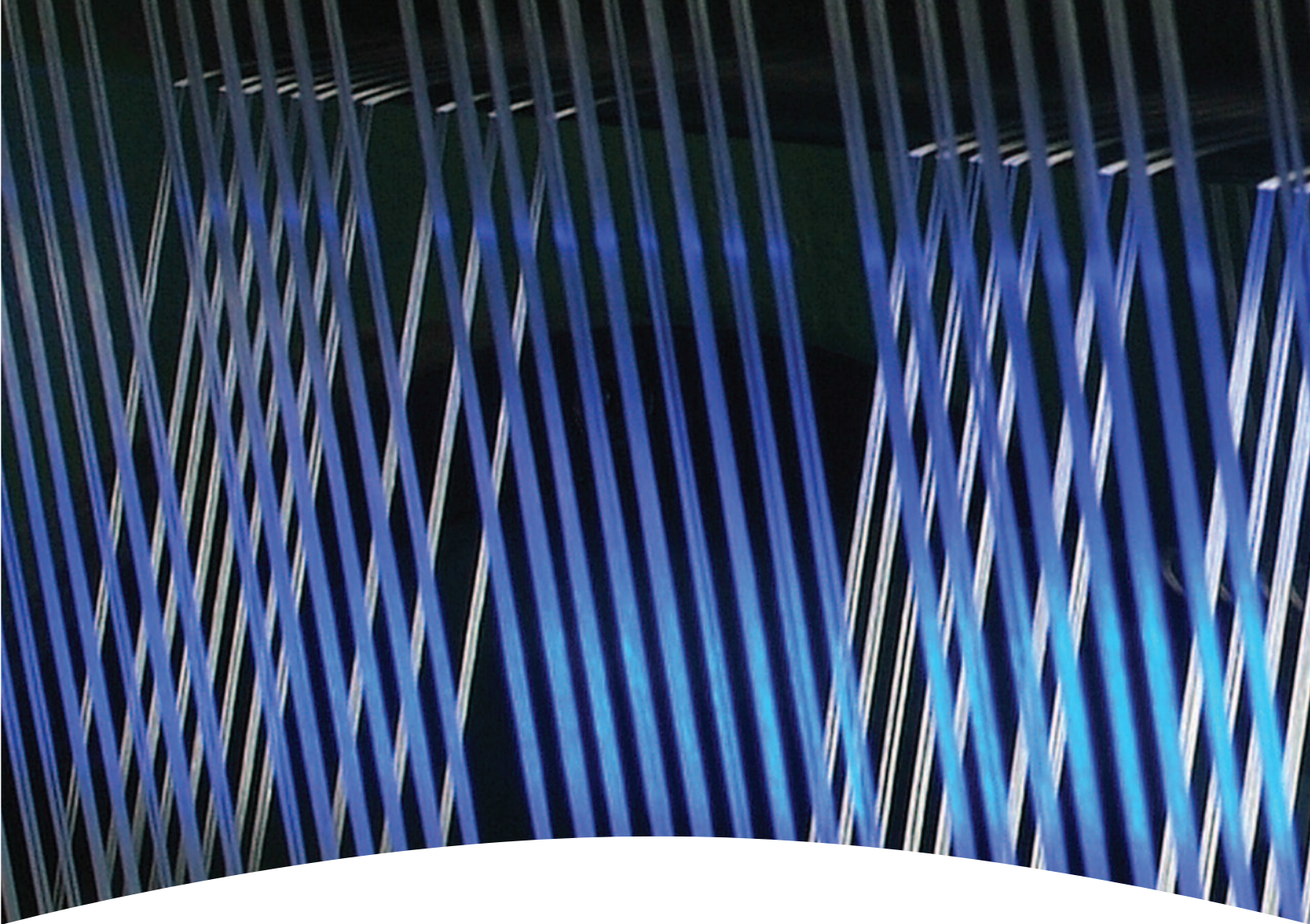


# Honeywell Spectra® Fiber



## Fiber Capability Guide

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# Honeywell Spectra® Fiber: Lightweight Strength

From lifting ropes that lower critical equipment to the sea floor, to cut-resistant gloves and high-performance fishing line, Spectra fiber has been providing lightweight, dependable strength in demanding applications for more than 20 years. Spectra fiber is one of the world's strongest and lightest fibers available today, and we are committed to continuous in-house materials development.

## Spectra fiber is at work on some of the world's toughest projects:

- Slings made with Spectra fiber were used to lift 2.6 million-pound sections of the new San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge
- Spectra fiber is trusted by sport fishing's leading professional anglers, where the performance and durability of the fiber helps them succeed in the biggest tournaments
- Storm curtains made with Spectra fiber are certified to withstand winds of up to 175 miles per hour, the equivalent of a Category 5 hurricane
- The U.S. military uses high-strength rope made with Spectra fiber on the V-22 Osprey tilt-rotor aircraft for fast rope insertion operations
- Vehicle barriers made with Spectra fiber are used extensively to protect military checkpoints in Iraq and Afghanistan

## Product Portfolio

Spectra fiber is made from ultra-high-molecular-weight polyethylene using a patented gel-spinning process. With a range of deniers available from 75 to 5600, Spectra fiber is engineered for a wide variety of applications, including:

**Rope and Cordage:** rope, industrial and aquaculture netting, slings and tethers

**Recreation:** fishing lines, bow strings, parachute cords, racket strings and sail cloth

**Cut Resistance:** gloves, aprons, sleeves and sporting apparel

**Specialty Applications:** space materials, dental floss, security barriers and storm protection

## Product Capabilities

	Denier Range	Tenacity (gpd)	Elongation (%)	Modulus (gpd)	DPF
S900	650-5600	25-30	3.9	850-920	10
S1000	75-2600	34-45	3.8	1130-1650	1.3-6.67

## The Benefits of Spectra® Fiber

15 times stronger than steel by weight

Light enough to float (.97 g/cc specific gravity)

Hydrophobic

Does not corrode

Excellent abrasion resistance

Excellent flex and bending fatigue performance

Very good UV resistance

Excellent cut resistance

Excellent fungal growth resistance

Low dielectric constant makes it virtually transparent to radar

Low coefficient of friction

## Available Deniers by Product

Denier	75	100	130	180	215	275	375	435	650	1200	1300	1600	2400	2600	4800	5600
Decitex	83	111	144	200	239	306	417	483	722	1333	1444	1776	2667	2888	5333	6222
Breaking Strength (lbs)	7	9	11	16	18	22	29	33	44-52	79	100-107	124-135	158	195	270	315
S900									X	X			X		X	X
S1000	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X		

# Fiber Capabilities

## Lightweight Strength

Used in military and police armor applications around the world, Spectra fiber is 15 times stronger than steel yet light enough to float. It is more durable than comparable polyester fiber, and is more than 40 percent stronger than aramid fiber.

## Durability

Spectra fiber is used in a diverse array of applications where durability is a necessity, from rope and sail cloth to netting and security barriers. Thanks to its larger filament diameter, Spectra fiber performs well in internal friction and hex bar testing. It exhibits excellent flex fatigue and abrasion resistance, and is highly cut-resistant. The fiber features excellent damping characteristics for vibration, shock and impact, and has a low dielectric coefficient and loss tangent.

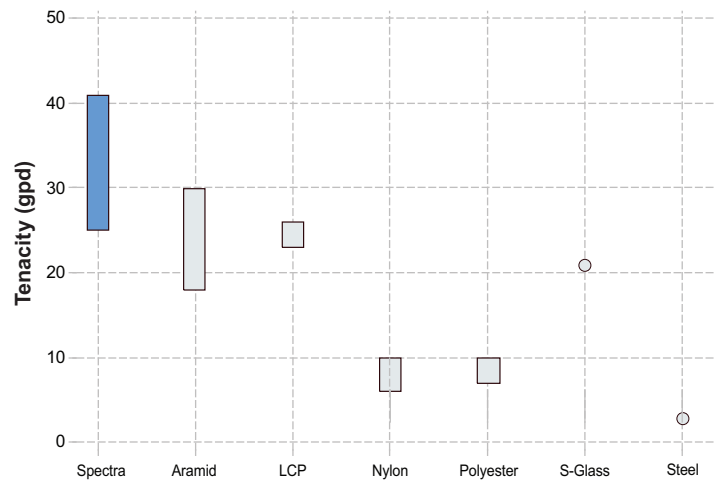
## Chemical, Fungal, and UV Resistance

Spectra fiber exhibits high resistance to many types of substances, from seawater to sulfuric acid. In outdoor applications, its resistance to fungal growth, corrosion, and ultraviolet light makes it suitable for the harshest of climates.

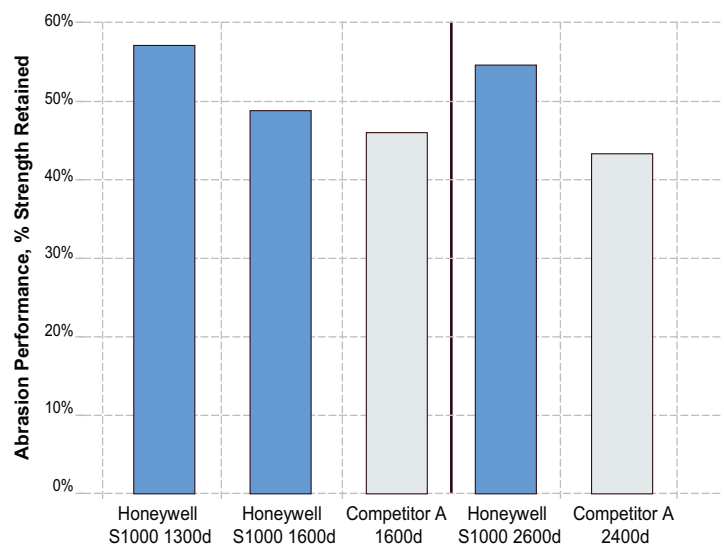
## Fiber Comparison

Material	Density (g/cc)	Tenacity (gpd)	Elongation (%)	Modulus (gpd)
Spectra S-1000	0.97	34-41	3.8	1130-1650
Spectra S-900	0.97	25-30	3.9	850-920
Aramid	1.44	18-30	3.3-5.6	450-1110
LCP	1.40	23-26	3.3	525+
Steel	7.80	3	1.3	300
S-Glass	2.50	21	5.7	400
Polyester	1.38	7-10	10-15	80-120
Nylon	1.14	6-10	15-28	<80

## Competitive Fiber Tenacity



## Abrasion Performance



## The Strength of Honeywell

With support in every region of the world, our sales and customer service capabilities are never far away. Plus, Honeywell continues to invest in advanced product research and applications technology capabilities to develop next-generation fiber solutions for our customers.

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### Chemical Resistance

Substance	Strength Retention
Seawater	Excellent*
Hydraulic fluid	Excellent*
Kerosene	Excellent*
10% detergent solution	Excellent*
Gasoline	Excellent*
Toluene	Excellent*
Glacial acetic acid	Excellent*
1M hydrochloric acid	Excellent*
5M sodium hydroxide	Excellent*
Ammonium hydroxide (29%)	Excellent*
Perchloroethylene	Excellent*
Bleach	Excellent*
Hypophosphite solution (10%)	Excellent*
Nitric acid (50% by volume)	Excellent*
Sulfuric acid (50% by volume)	Excellent*
Phosphoric acid (50% by volume)	Excellent*

*\*Fiber retains more than 90 percent of strength after immersion in substance for six months*

### Thermal Properties

Melting range	144 – 152° C
Decomposition temperature	> 300° C
Advised lowest temperature	No limit
Advised long duration temperature limit	70° C
Advised short duration temperature limit (non-constrained fiber)	130° C
Advised short duration temperature limit (constrained fiber)	145° C

### Tensile Strength of Fiber Relative to 23° C

Temperature	-60° C	+23° C	+60° C	+100° C
Tensile strength	110%	100%	80%	55%

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