

**PRODUCT FAMILY**

**EXPANDING TUBE ASSEMBLY (XTA)**

Expanding Tube Assemblies (XTA), also known as Expanding Shielded Mild Detonating Cord (XSMDC), are used to provide explosively driven, contamination-free reliable separation. The expanding tube assembly is a formed stainless steel tube containing a linear Mild Detonating Cord (MDC). The tube is formed into an oval shape and sealed on both ends by welded end fittings which include loaded booster shells. These shells provide means for redundant initiation of the assembly. After initiation, the MDC propagates and the energy expands the tube creating the necessary mechanical impulse to achieve separation of the targeted assembly. Targets for separation include aluminum ligaments, acrylic panels, frangible hooks, or other frangible structures as desired by customer specification.



**APPLICABLE SPECIFICATIONS**

- Operating Temperature: -70°F to +180°F
- Output: Severance of .075" Aluminum  
Severance of .150" Stretched Acrylic
- Initiation: Electrical Detonator with typical 1 grain Booster Shell  
Energy Transfer Line – SMDC, FCDC
- TSH&A: 28 days per MIL-D-21625
- Salt Fog: Mil-D-21625
- Sand & Dust: Mil STD 810-G
- Icing: Mil STD 810-G

**SHOCK**

Frequency (Hz)	Spectrum Level (Q = 10)
100	30
100 - 3000	+5.3dB/Octave
3000 +	2125G

ENVELOPE & DIMENSIONS

