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Packaging of Master Bundles for Electrical Rigid Metal Conduit (ERMC)— Steel, Electrical Intermediate Metal Conduit (EIMC)—Steel, and Electrical Metallic Tubing (EMT)—Steel

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#### Foreword

The standards publication is intended to recommend maximum sizes for master bundles of steel electrical conduit in order to provide a safe, manageable package for bulk handling of the product. The minimum banding on these maximum size bundles has also been specified, so that all produced and delivered bundles will be safe for normal handling.

The sizes listed provide for nominal bundle weights of 2,000 lbs. except in the larger diameter sizes of EIMC and EMT, where the weight per unit volume of the product dictates a lesser number of pieces (and weight) in order to maintain practical bundle dimensions. The 2,000 lb. nominal bundle weight is intended to be consistent with the equipment commonly available for handling the product. However, it is the responsibility of those handling the product to determine the compatibility of their handling equipment with master bundles as specified in this document.

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# Scope

This Standards Publication covers recommendations for the size and banding of master bundles of Electrical Rigid Metal Conduit (ERMC)—Steel, Electrical Intermediate Metal Conduit (EIMC)—Steel, and Electrical Metallic Tubing (EMT)—Steel, in 10 foot (3.05 m) lengths and the size and banding of master bundles of Electrical Rigid Metal Conduit (ERMC) —Steel and Electrical Metallic Tubing (EMT) —Steel, in 20 ft. (6.10 m) lengths.