

APPROVED CABLES INITIATIVE ALERT

FLEXIBLE CORD

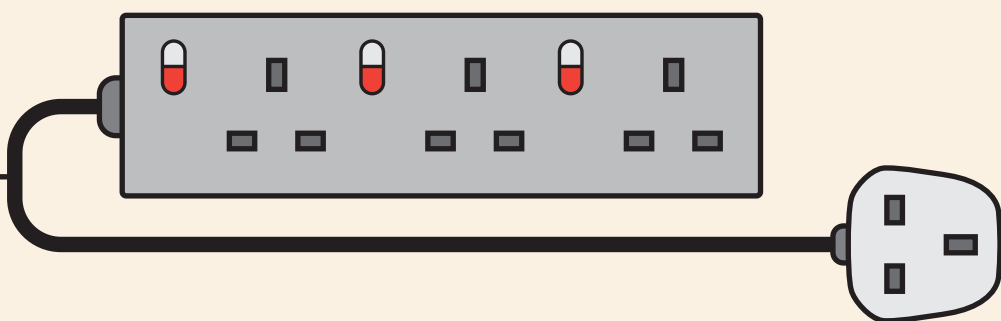
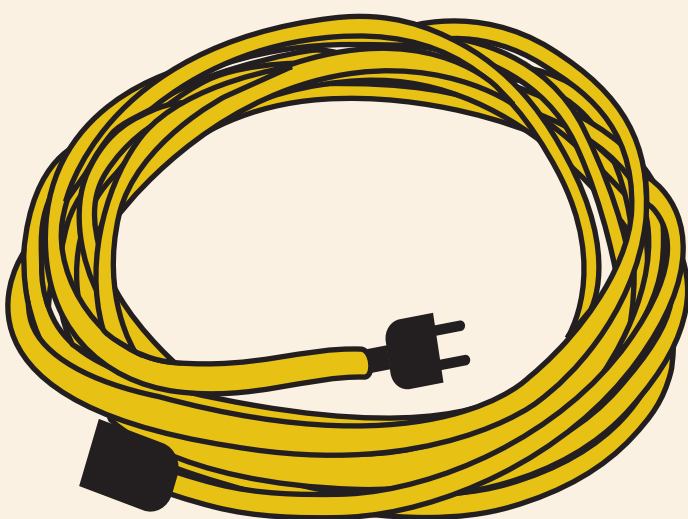
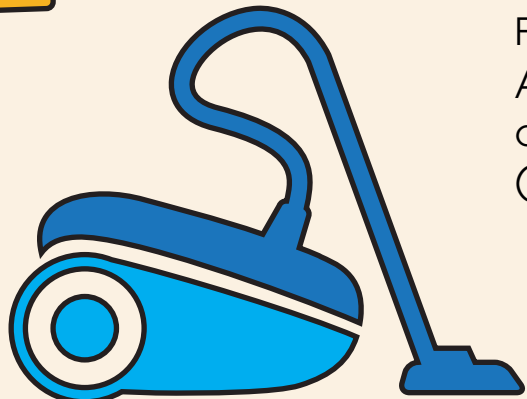
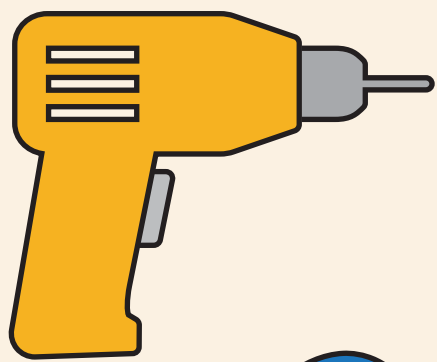


WHAT IS PVC FLEXIBLE CORD?

Found on electrical appliances as well as domestic and industrial extension leads

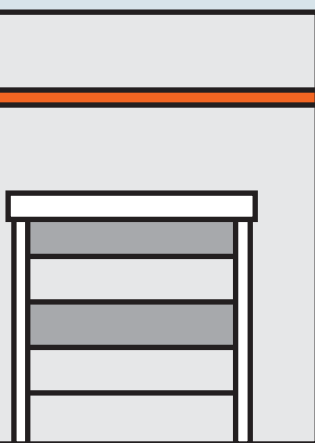
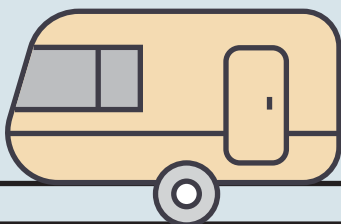
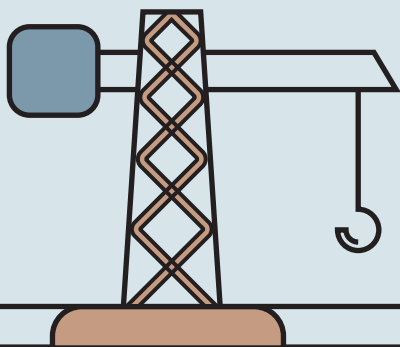
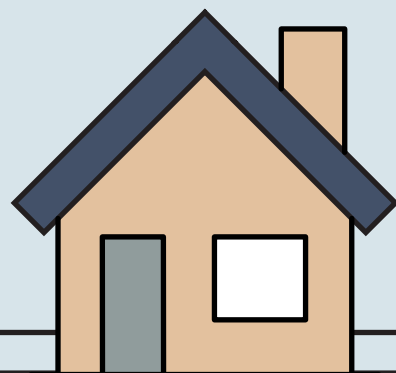
Used in indoor and occasionally outdoor applications for brief, temporary periods

For more permanent outdoor use Arctic Grade Flex is recommended - operating at sub-zero temperatures (down to -25°C)



FLEXIBLE CORD IS FOUND:

- In the home
- On construction sites
- In caravans and motorhomes
- In cold stores



HOW TO IDENTIFY FLEXIBLE CORD

Blue – arctic grade (BS6004 3813A)

Yellow – arctic grade (BS6004 3813A)

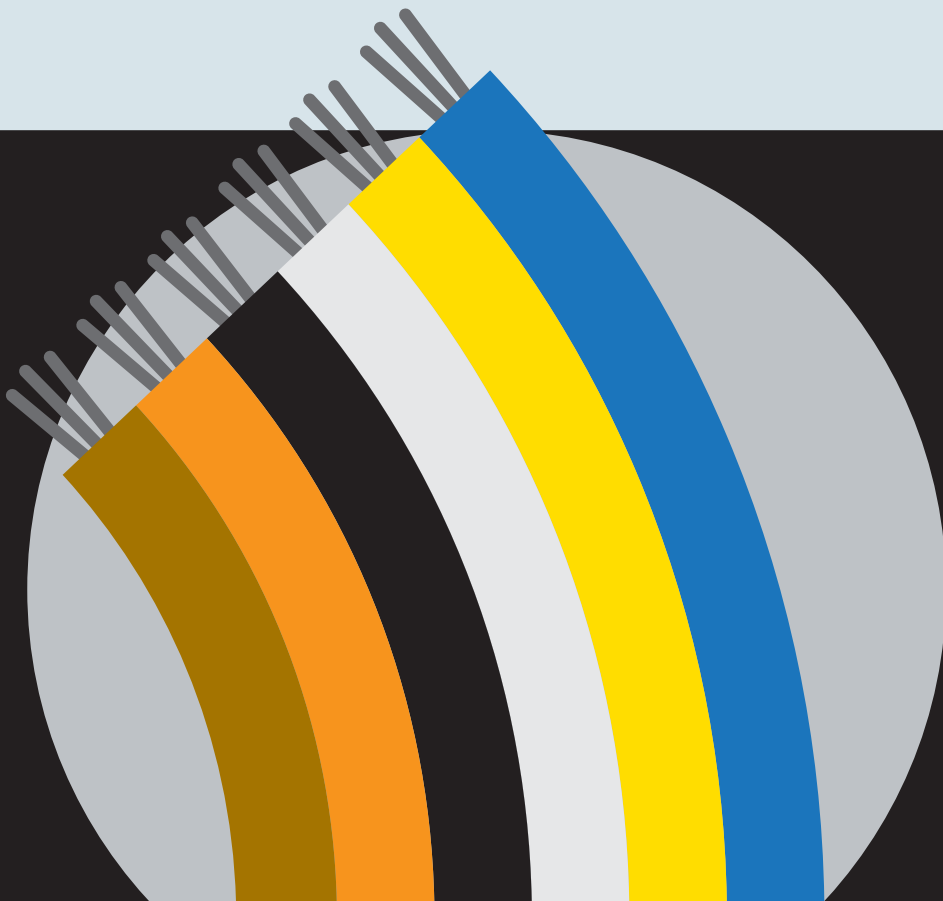
White – ordinary duty flex (H05VV-F)

Black – ordinary duty flex (H05VV-F)

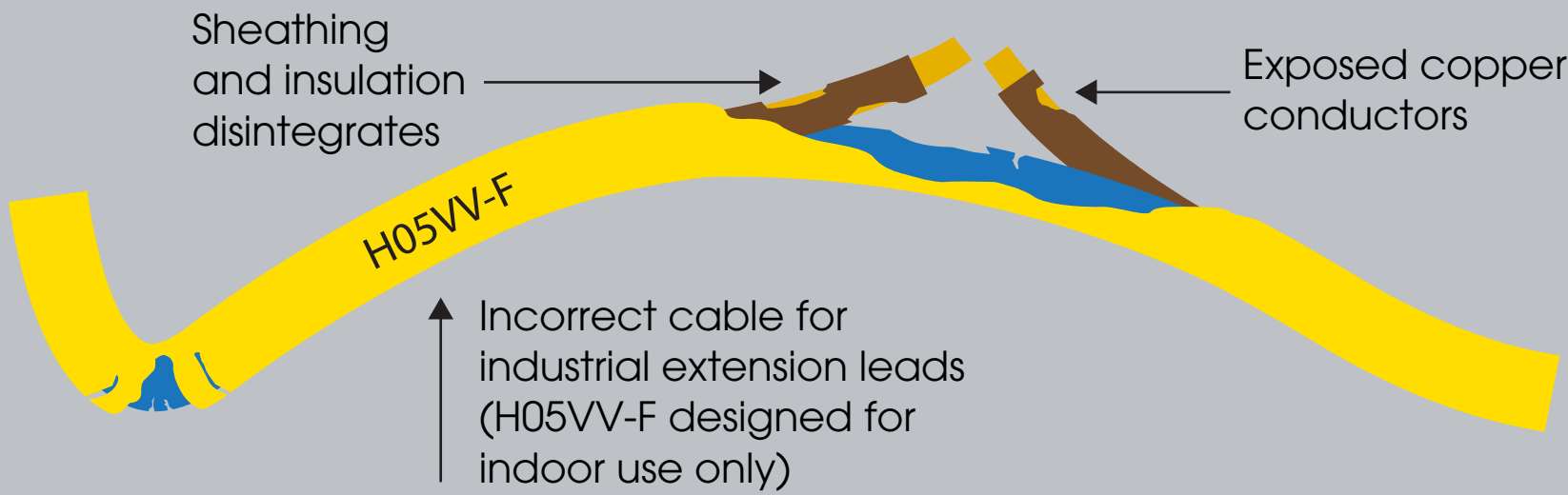
Orange – ordinary duty flex (H05VV-F)

Gold – ordinary duty flex (H05VV-F)

NB white, black, orange, gold cord also used for 300/300V light duty cords (H03VV-F)



AN EXAMPLE: SUBSTANDARD ARCTIC GRADE FLEXIBLE CORD



MAKING THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR OUTDOOR FLEXIBLE CORD:

Look for cable marking BS 6004 and the UK cable code for arctic grade cable such as 3183A.

Remember substandard Flexible Cord can cause a fire, short circuit or give you an electric shock.

Cords marked with H05VV-F are unsuitable for permanent use outdoor.



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