

# ***Electrobar Elite***

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Conductor Bar System

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## **Instruction Manual**



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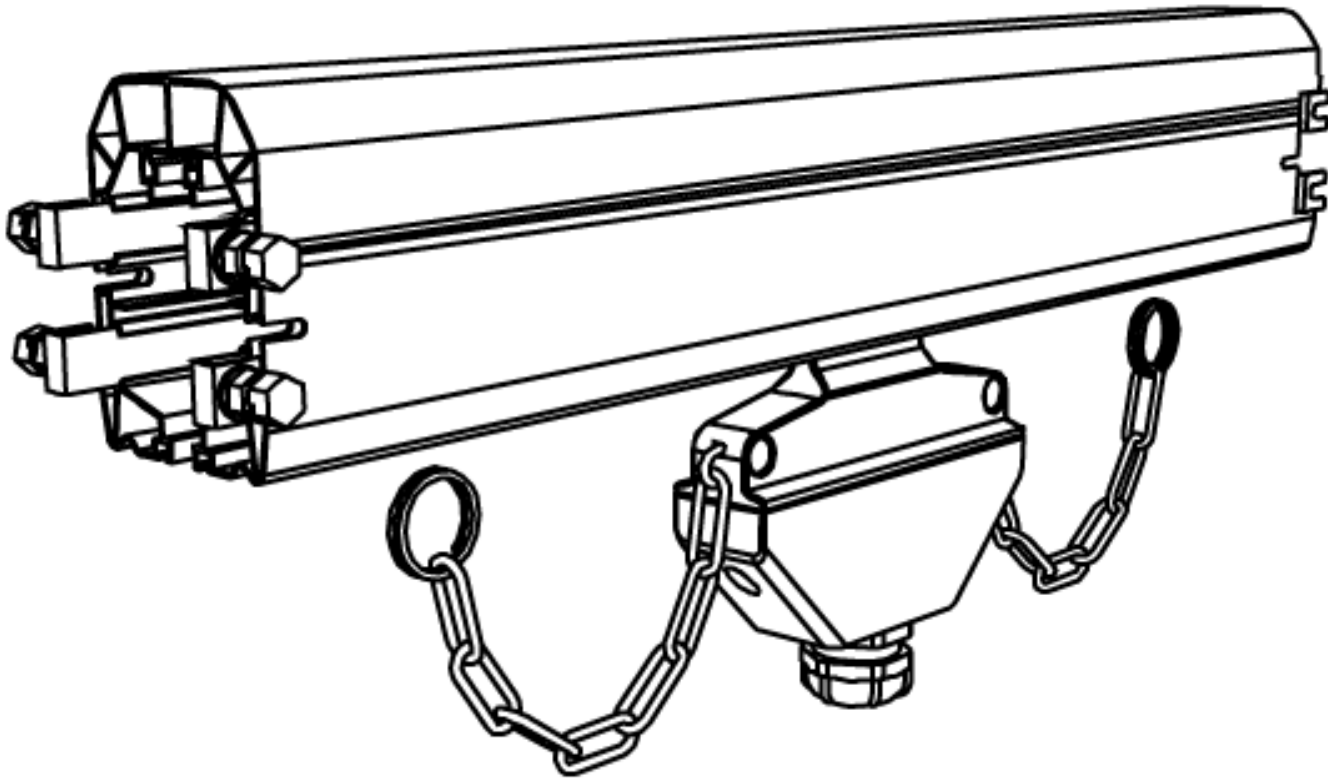
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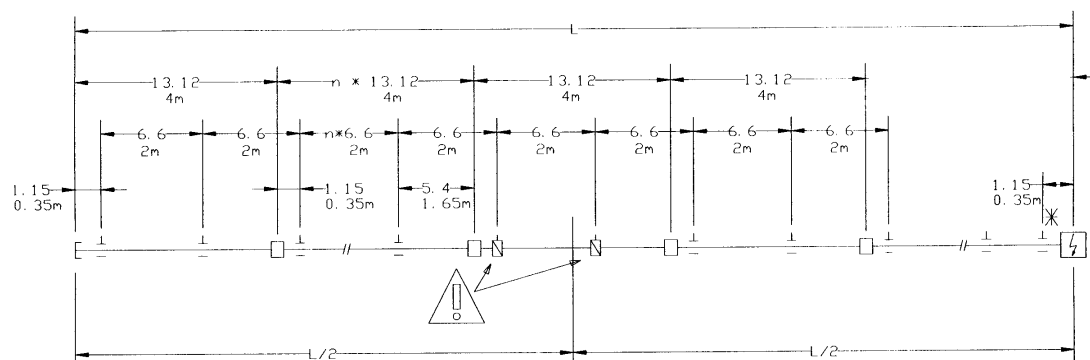
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## Electrobar Elite Assembly Instructions

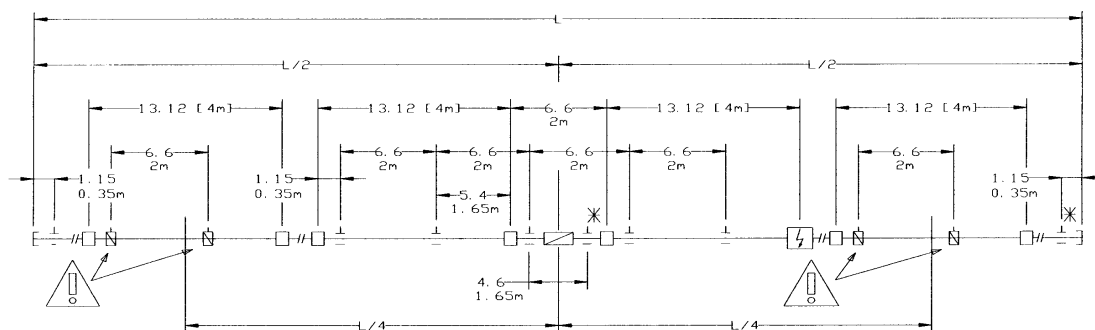


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## Layout of Line Elements










**Figure 1: Line without expansion joint**



**Figure 2: Line with expansion joint**

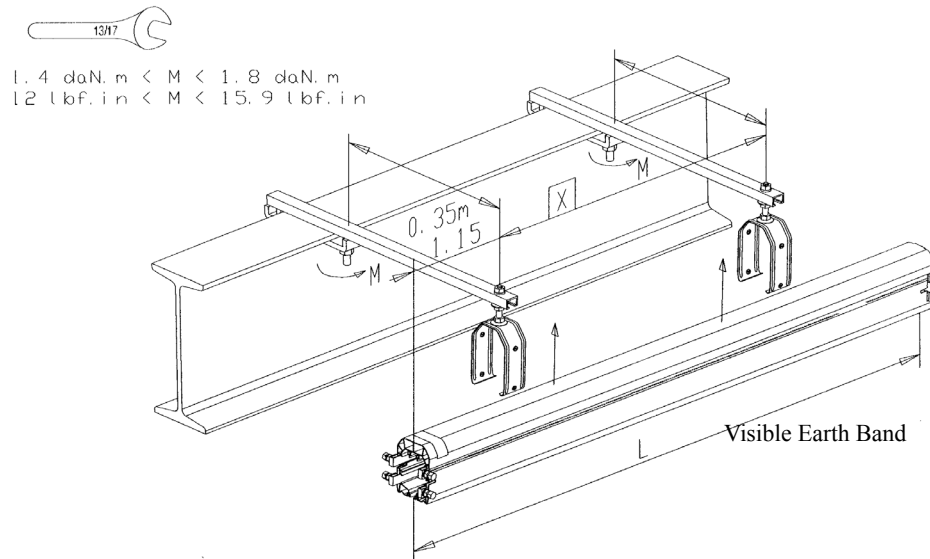
Key:

-  Fixed Hanger
-  Sliding Hanger
-  Covering Flange
-  Feed Box
-  Expansion Joint
-  End-cap
-  Additional Sliding Hanger

**NOTE:** The position of the feed boxes shown here is only an example. This position is determined by the calculation of the voltage drop and the running conditions.

# Assembly of the different elements

## 1. Bracket

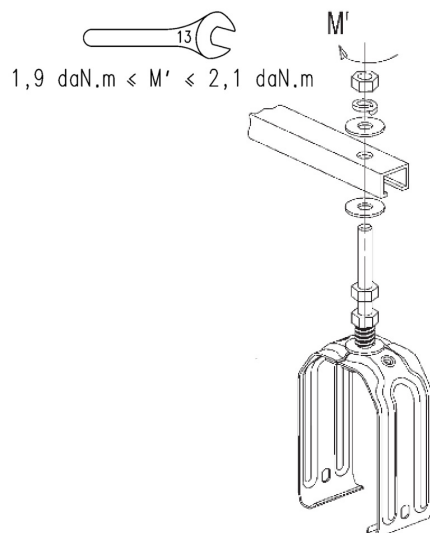


**Figure 3: Bracket**

*Determining the number of hangers and hanger placement:*

	20A-130A			200A	
(L) Length [m]	$L < 1.5$	$1.5 < L < 4$	$L < 1.3$	$1.3 < L < 2.6$	$2.6 < L < 4$
(L) Length [ft.]	$L < 4.9$	$4.9 < L < 13.12$	$L < 4.3$	$L < 4.3 < L < 8.5$	$8.5 < L < 13.12$
# of Hangers	1	2	1	2	3
Distance	N/A	$L/2$	N/A	$L/2$	$L/3$

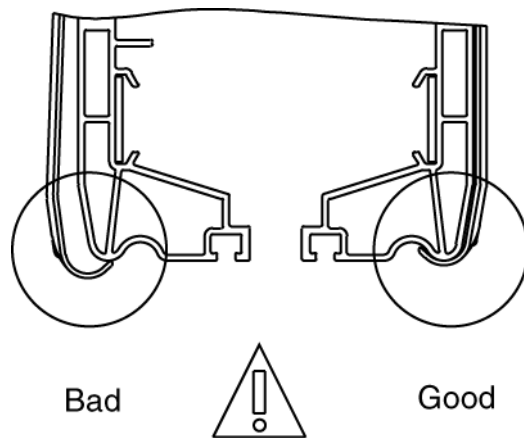
## 2. Sliding Hanger



**NOTE:** One sliding hanger must be added 350 mm (13.75") from the end of line.

**Figure 4: Sliding Hanger**

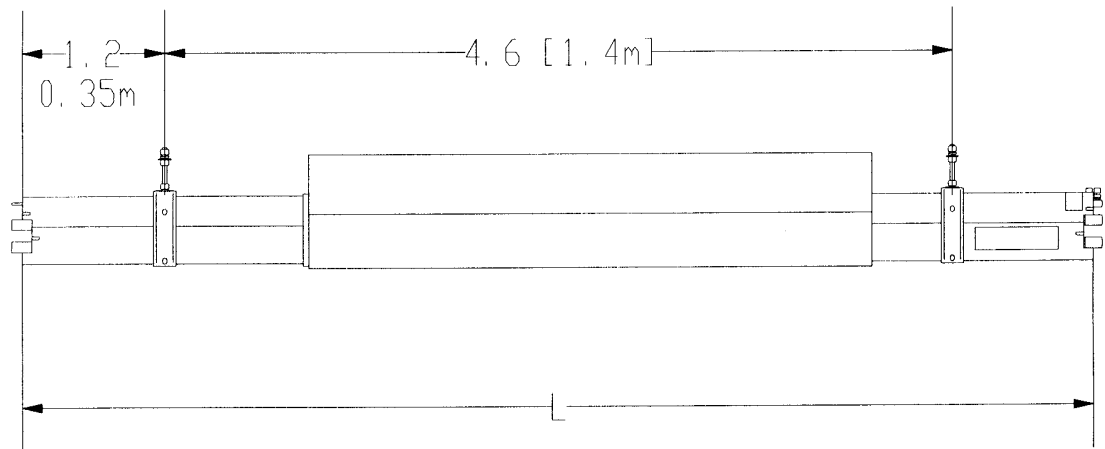
### 3. Line Element



Be sure hangers are snapped completely under the line element.

**Figure 5: Line Element**

### 4. Expansion Joint



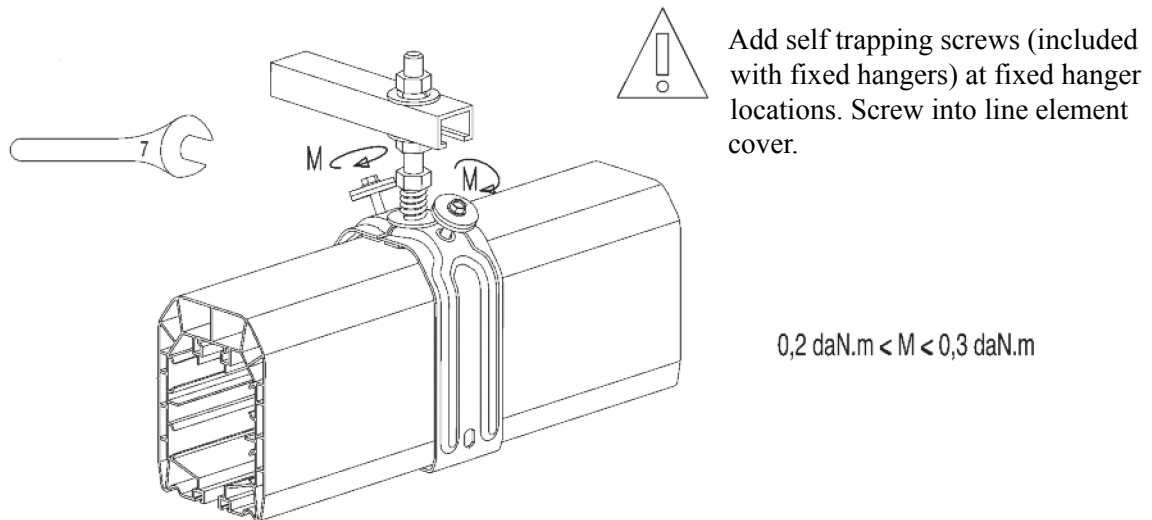
**Figure 6: Expansion Joint**

Draw out line element to dimension “L” at time of assembly based on the ambient temperature during normal operating conditions. Refer to chart below.

Temperature		Length	
°C	°F	mm	in
-20	-4	2005	78.93
-10	14	2000	78.73
0	82	1995	78.54
10	50	1990	78.34
20	68	1985	78.15
30	86	1980	77.95
40	104	1975	77.76
50	122	1970	77.56
60	140	1965	77.36

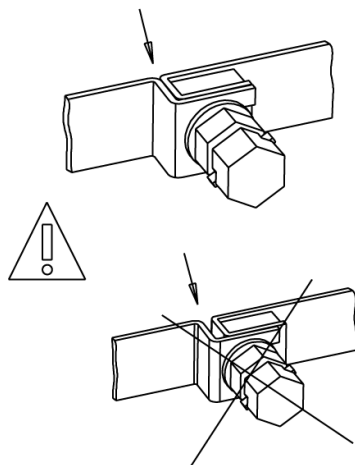


## 5. Fixed Hanger



**Figure 7: Fixed Hanger**

20A → 130A :

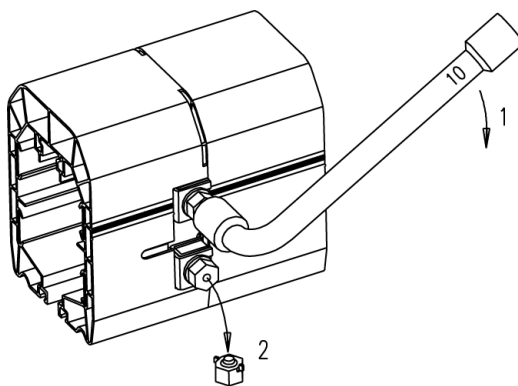


## 6. Connection of Conductors

Make sure line element conductors are together while tightening self-torquing bolt.

Be sure there is no gap present at the conductor joint prior to snapping of self-torquing bolt.

**Figure 8: Eliminate conductor gaps**



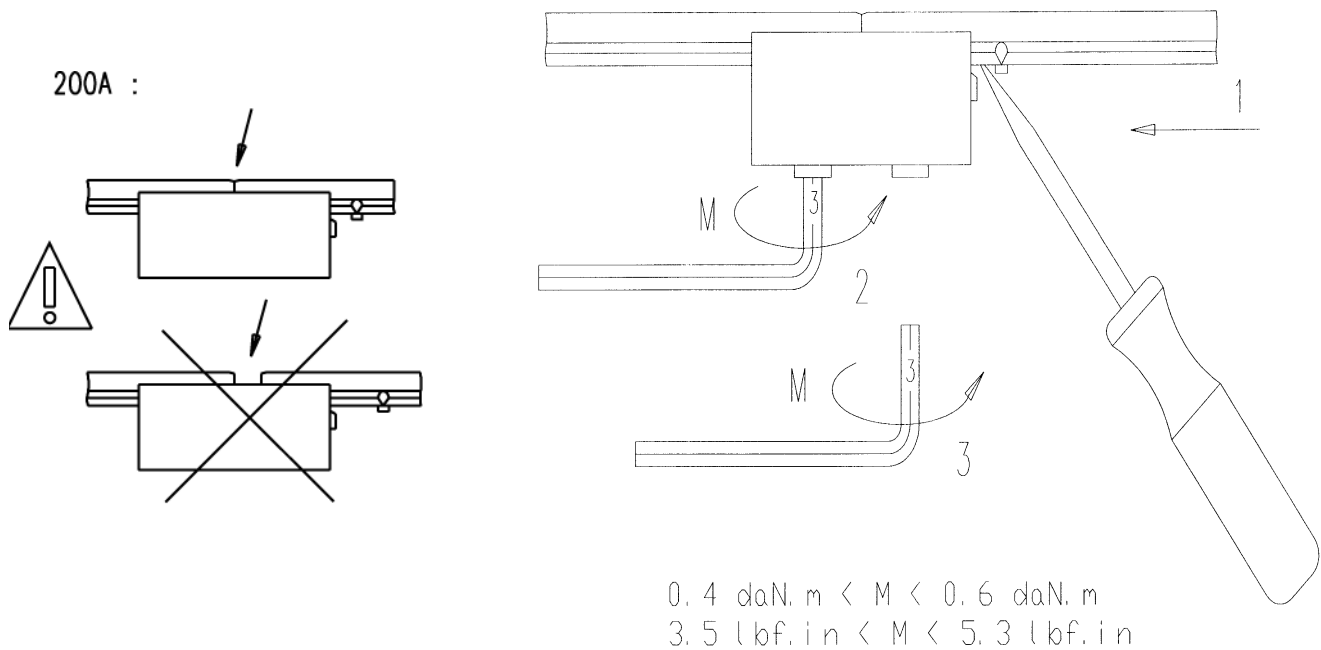
With even pressure, tighten upper bolt head until it snaps off.

\*Be sure socket wrench does not overlap upper bolt head while tightening. Over torquing of conductor bar could occur.

*NOTE: If all upper bolt heads are not snapped off. Joint cover will not fit over the line element.*

**Figure 9: Bolt Heads**

**200 Amp systems do not have self torquing bolts at conductor joints. 200 amp collector joints include 3mm socket screws**



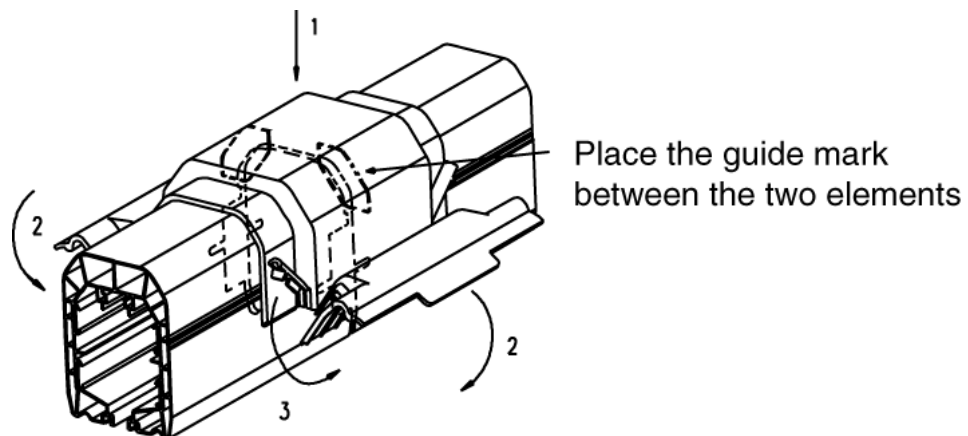
**Figure 10: 200 Amp connections**

A screw driver may be used to hold conductors together while tightening joint connector.

## 7. Joint Cover

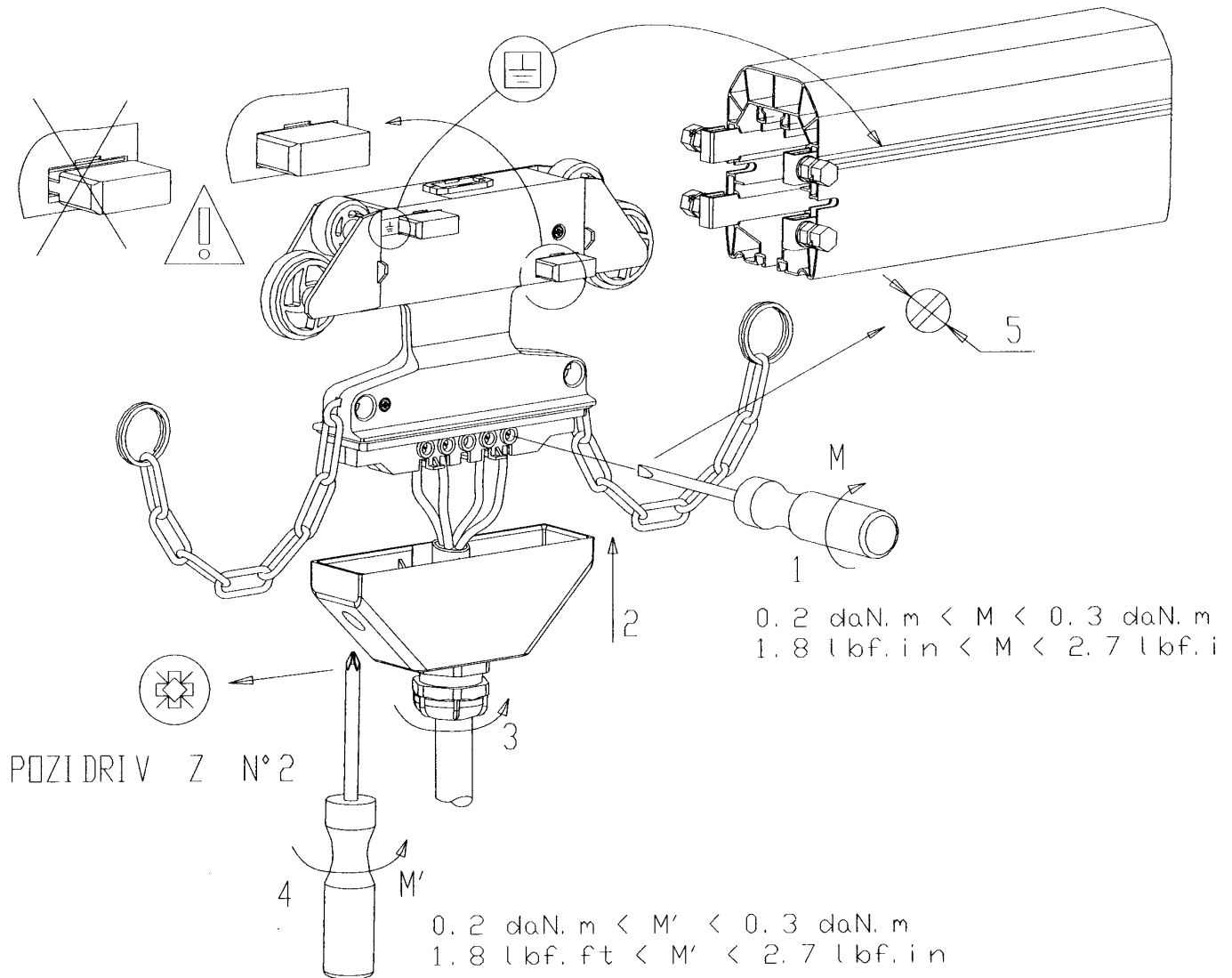
1. Open joint cover completely. Place joint cover guide flanges into alignment grooves in line element cover.
2. Rotate lower flanges of joint cover firmly under line element until each side snaps under the line element cover.
3. Rotate the (4) four joint cover locking tabs down until they snap into position.

**NOTE:** Cover will not fit over joint if conductor joint cover hardware is not properly assembled.



**Figure 11: Joint Cover**

## 8. Trolley



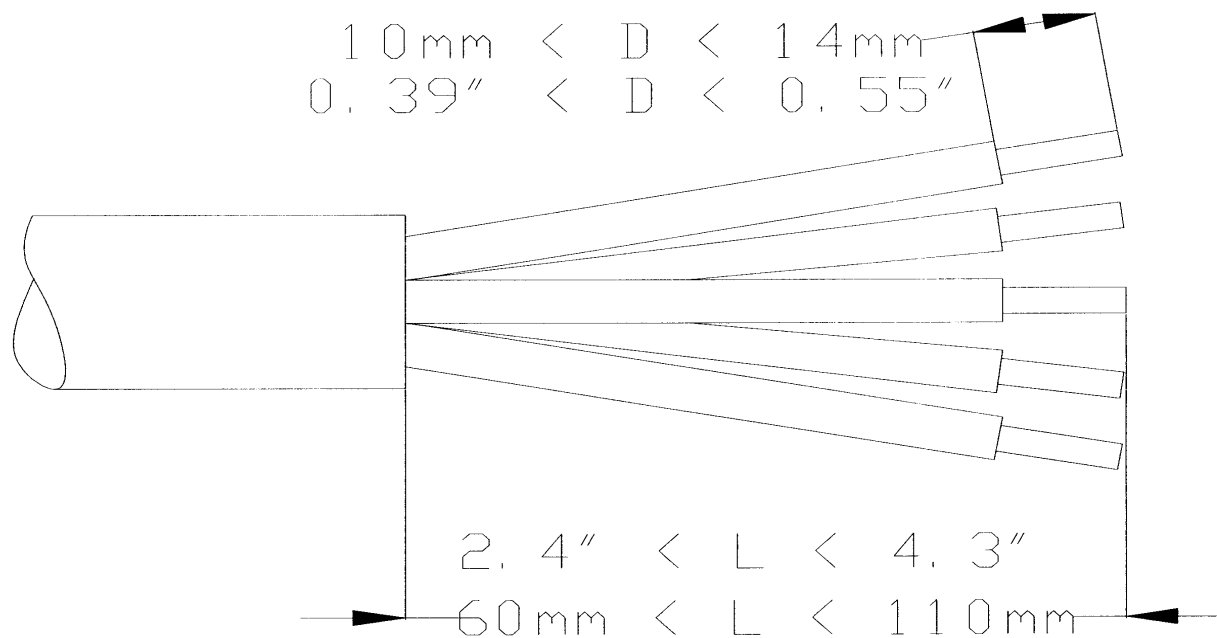
**Figure 12: Trolley**

1. See page 10 for cable trim guidelines.
2. Feed cable through cord grip on trolley cover.
3. Wire cable to trolley, check for secure terminal connection.
4. Slide trolley cover and assemble to trolley.
5. Tighten cord grip.

Slide trolley into end of line element and be sure ground brush on the trolley is in line with the ground conductor in the line element. The ground conductor in the line element is directly under the green and yellow line on the line element cover.

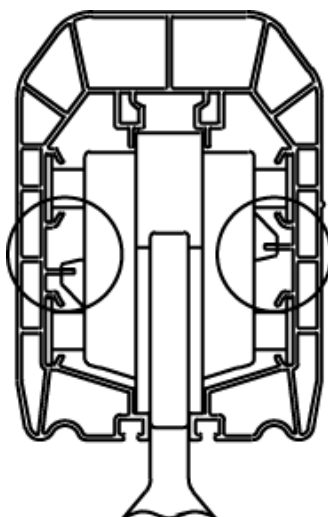
Lightly hold in brushes on the trolley as it is inserted into the line element.

**NOTE:** Trolleys can only be inserted into the line element in one direction. Trolleys have flanges to prevent improper assembly. If trolley does not slide into line element, check direction of trolley as it relates to the line element.



**Figure 13: Trolley cable trim guidelines**

Trolley may not be inserted. Trolley flanges prevent improper assembly.

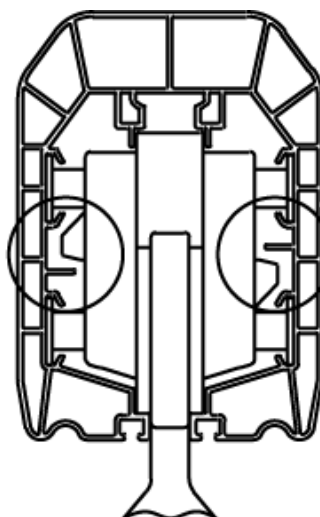


Bad



Good

Trolley flanges are clear. Trolley may be inserted into line element.



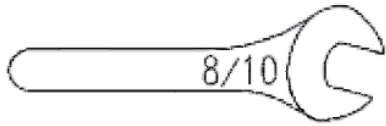
**Figure 14: Trolley Flanges**  
**DO NOT REMOVE TROLLEY FLANGES!!**



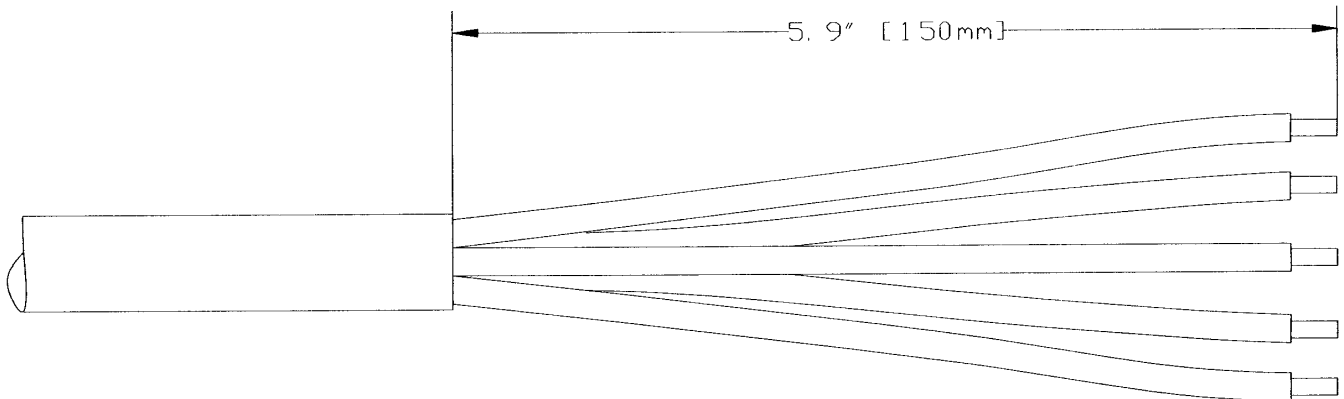
## CAUTION

Connecting: flexible cable  $\leq 4\text{ mm}^2$  recommended,  $6\text{ mm}^2$  maximum. Collectors must be installed at one end of the line.

## 9. In-Line Feed Box



Use for attaching cable  
when using in-line feed  
boxes

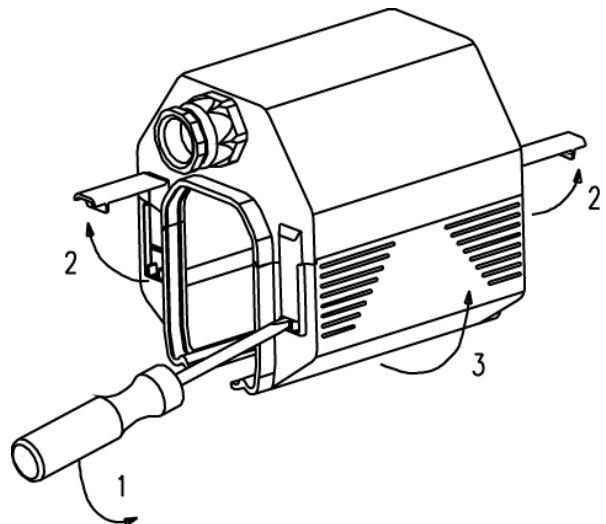


**Figure 15: Power Feed cable Trim guide**

*NOTE: Attach appropriate flat wire terminal connector to power feed cable conductor ends. Feed cable through cord grip prior to attaching flat wire terminals.*

### *To Open Covers*

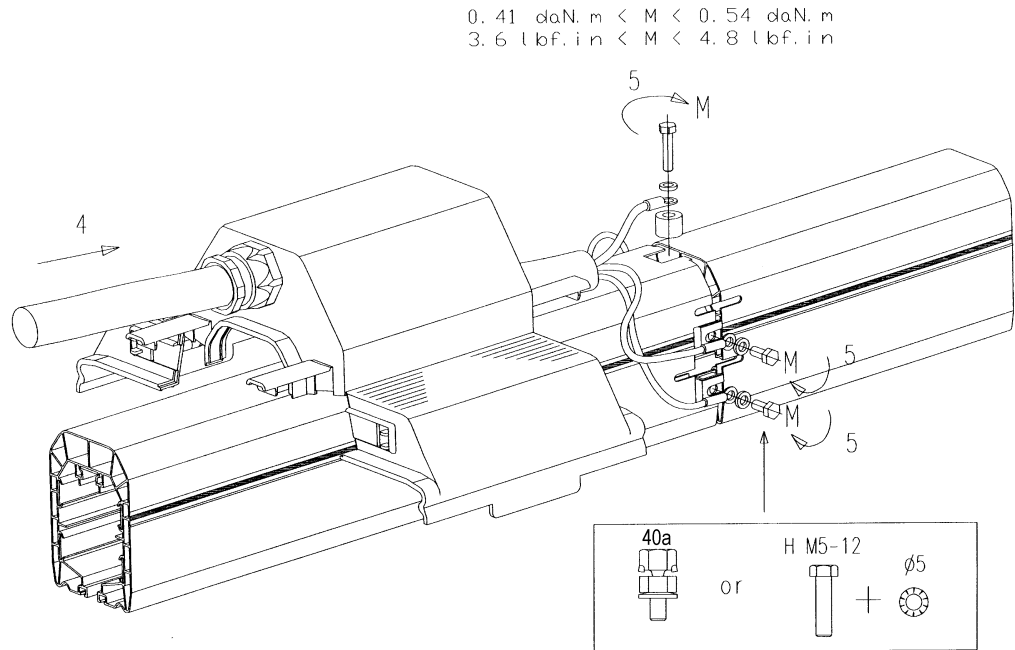
1. Un-snap the (4) four locking tabs with small flat screwdriver.
2. Rotate locking tabs clear from lower half of cover.
3. Rotate lower half of cover open.



**Figure 16: Feed Box Cover**

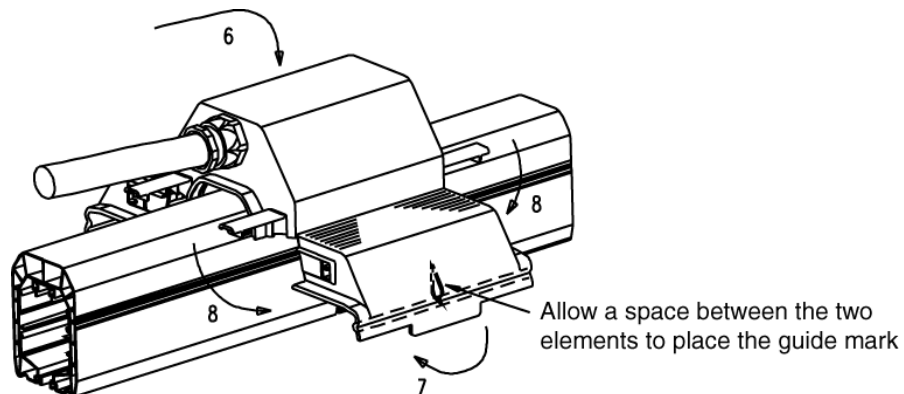
## Power Feed Connection

Feed power feed cable through cord grip in cover and attach flat terminal connectors. Attach power feed cable terminals under joint connection bolts. Tighten self-torquing bolts until upper head snaps off.



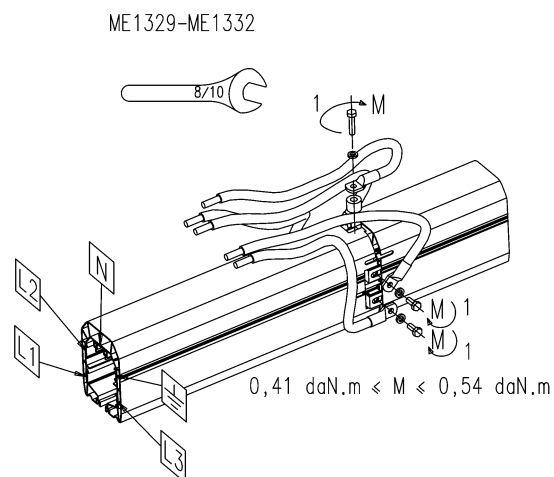
**Figure 17: Power Feed Connection**

Slide power feed cover over center of joint. Lower cover onto line element. Place cover centering tabs into line element cover slots. Rotate and Snap lower half of power feed cover under the line element cover. Rotate and snap the (4) four locking tabs on the side of the power feed cover into position.



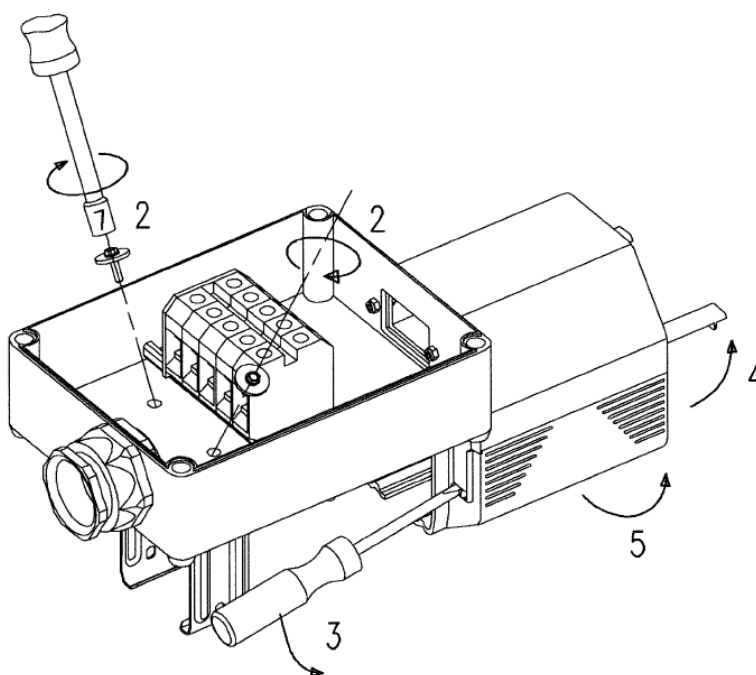
**Figure 18: In Line Power Feed assembly**

## *In-line Power Feed with Junction Box*



Install power feed cable to joint connection.

**Figure 19: Installing power feed cables**

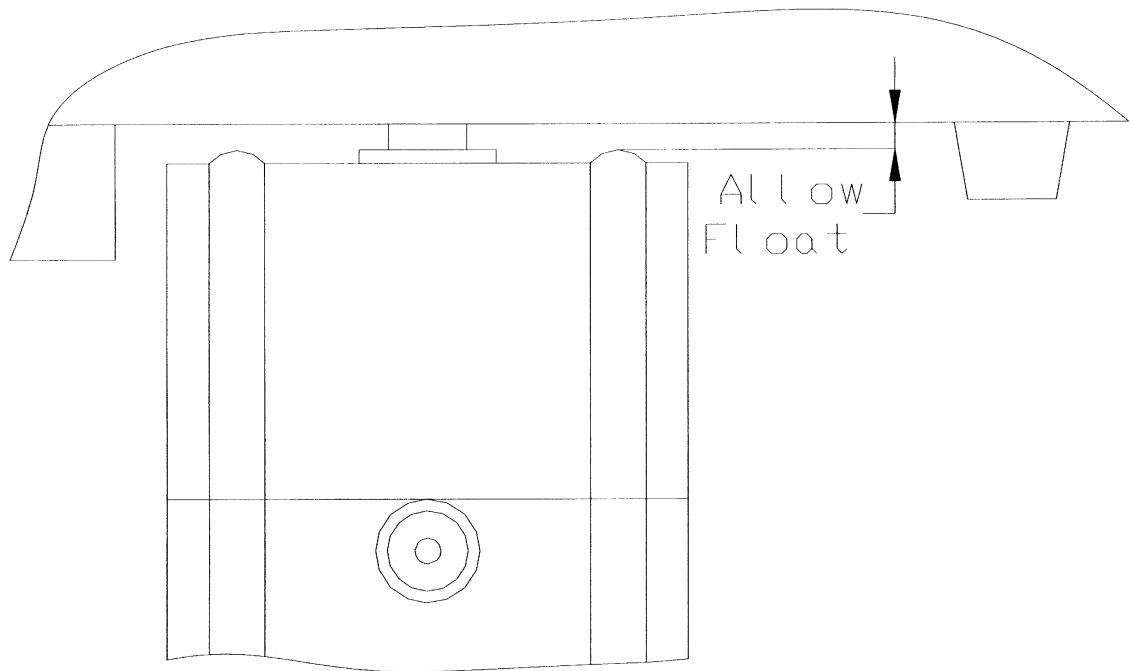


**Figure 20: Opening Power Feed Cover**

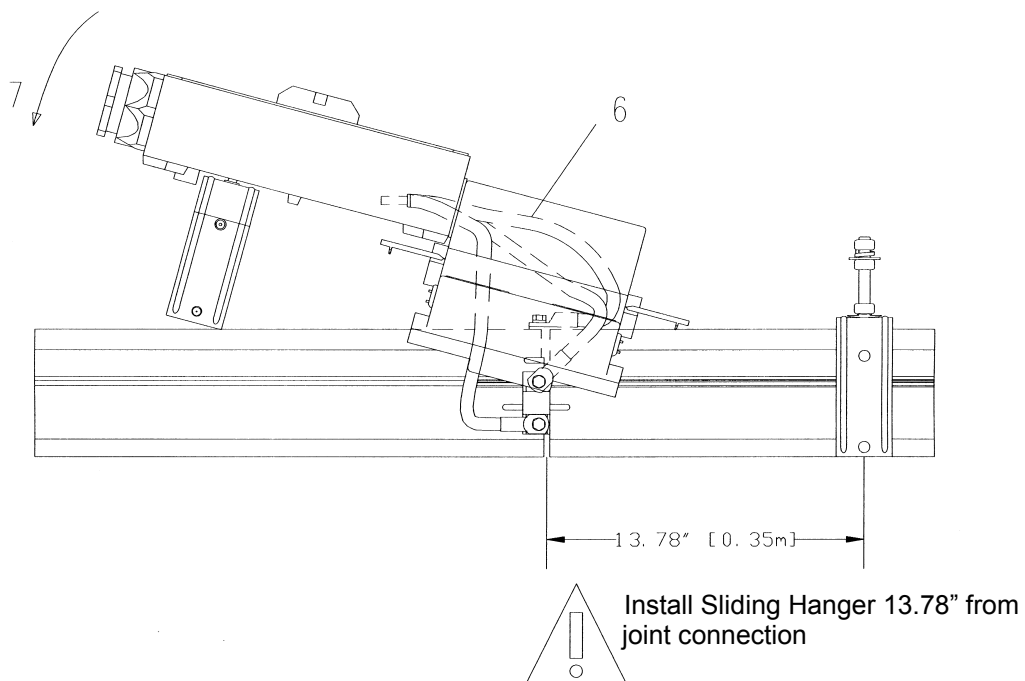
### *Open Power Feed Cover*

1. With small flat screwdriver pry open and rotate the (4) four locking tabs clear of the lower half of the cover.
2. Rotate open the lower half of the power feed cover.
3. Assemble sliding hanger to junction box. DO NOT TIGHTEN AT THIS TIME.

Feed power feed cables into junction box from under power feed cover. Center cover over joint and rotate assembly and hanger over line element cover.



**Figure 21: Placing Power Feed cover**

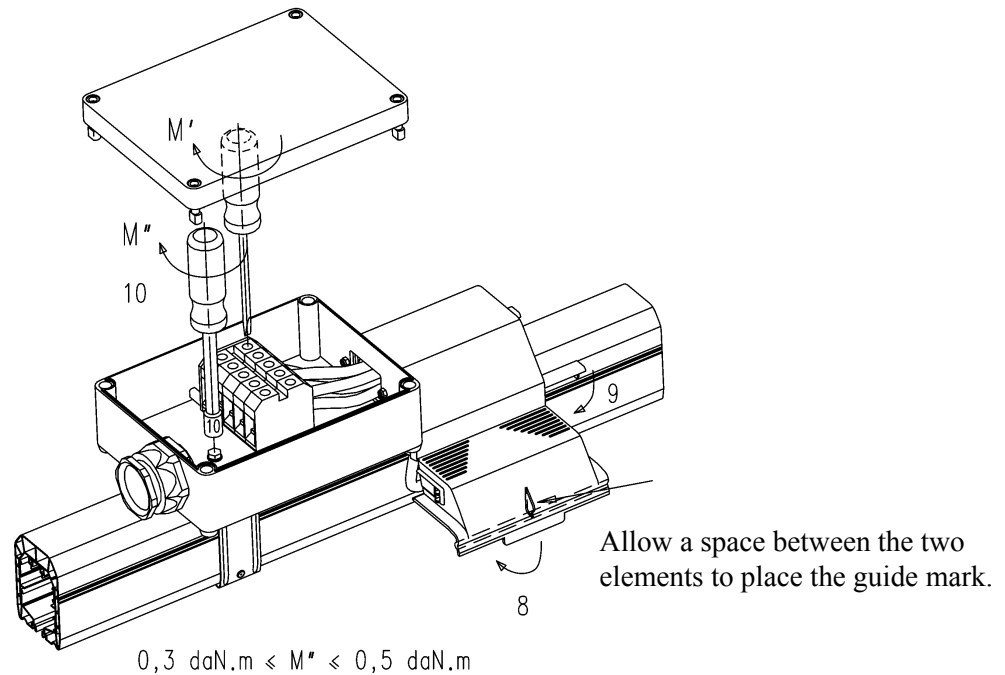


**Figure 22: In Line Power Feed with Junction Box assembly**

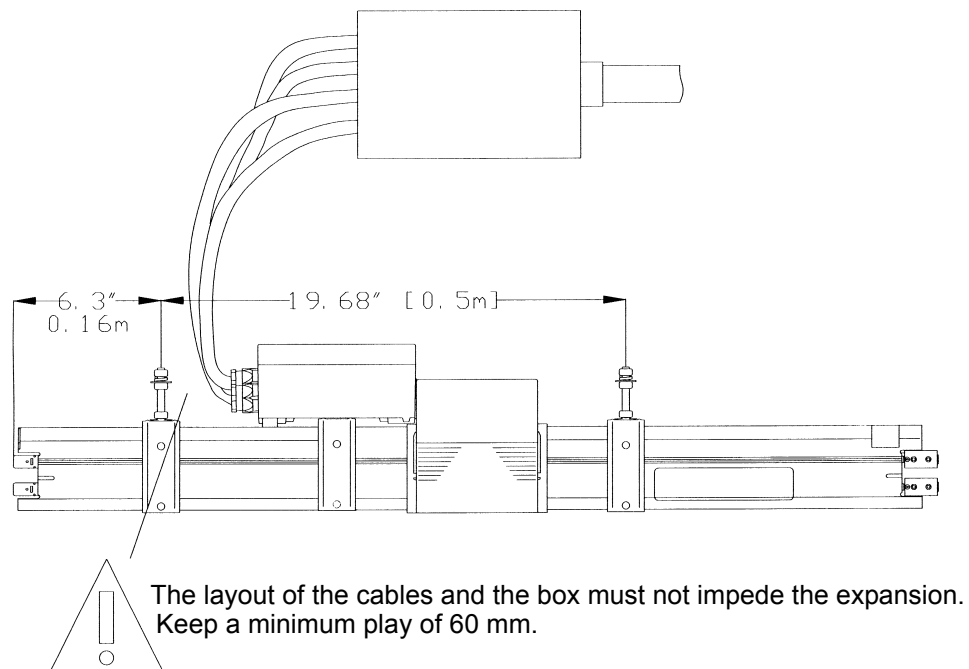


Rotate and snap lower half of power feed cover under joint of line element. Rotate locking tabs down and snap into position. Install wires to terminals. Tighten hanger with bolt in junction box.

Insert power cable through cord grip. Install power feed cable to junction box terminals. Tighten cord grip, install junction box cover.

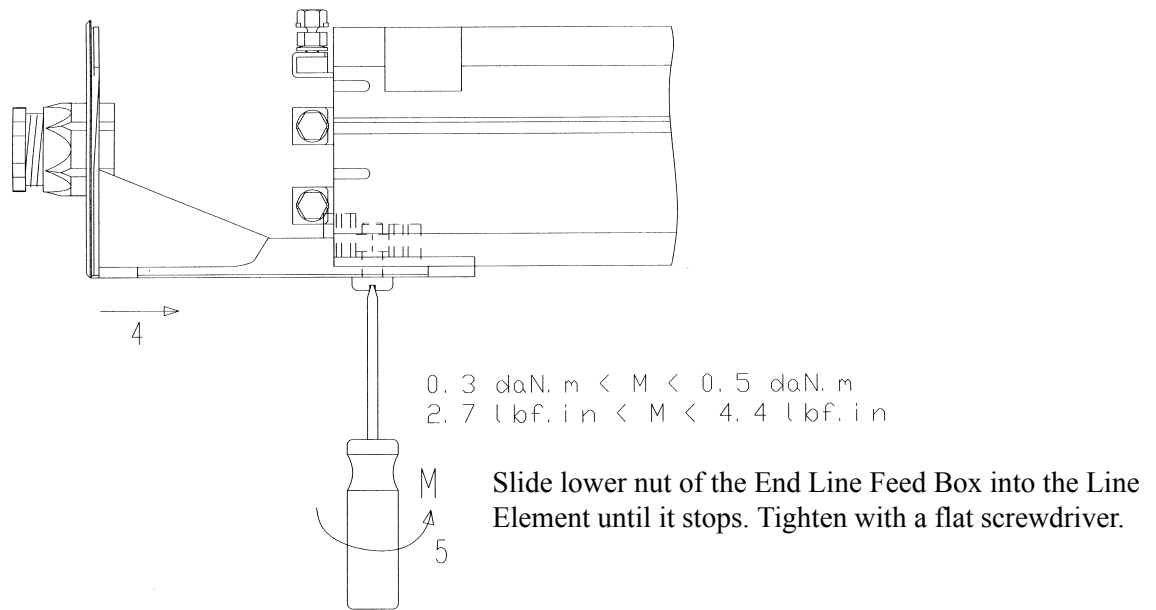


**Figure 23: Placing the Power Feed cover**



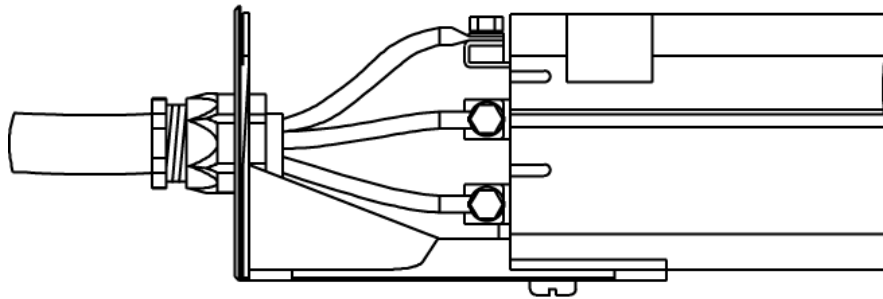
**Figure 24: In Line Power Feed with Junction Box placement**

## 10. End-line feed box

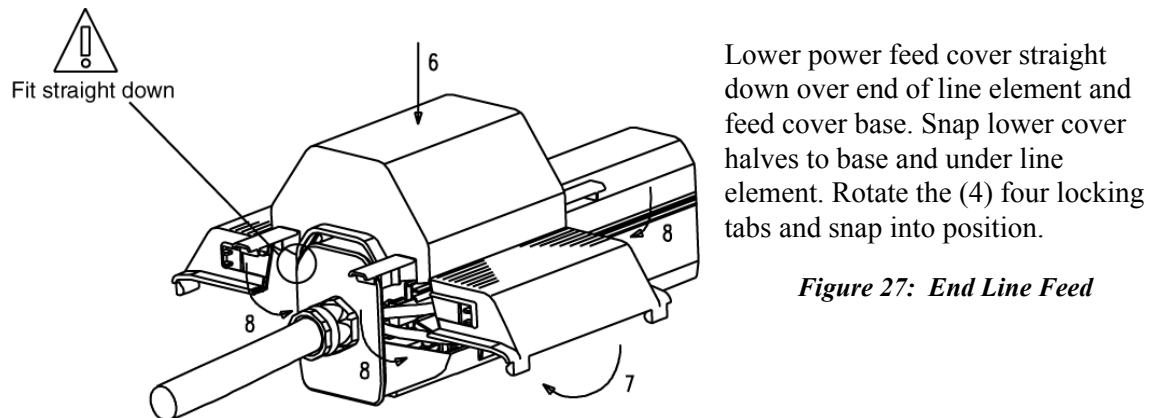


**Figure 25: End Line Feed Box**

Insert power feed cable through cord grip and attach flat terminal connectors. Assemble cable to conductor connection bolts. Tighten the cord grip.

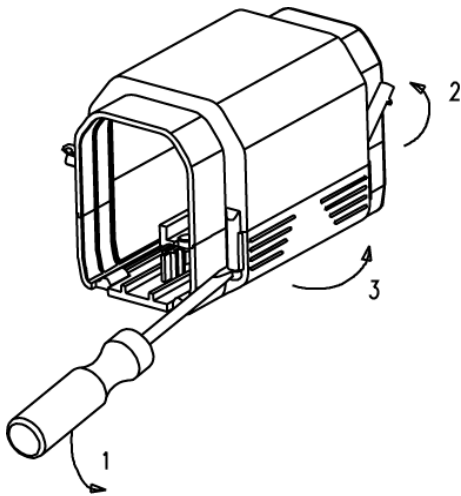


**Figure 26: End Line Feed cable connections**



**Figure 27: End Line Feed**

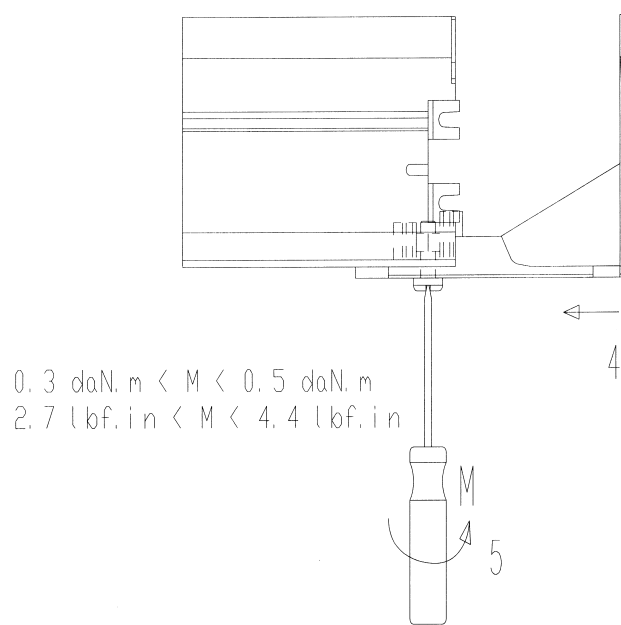
## 11. End-cap



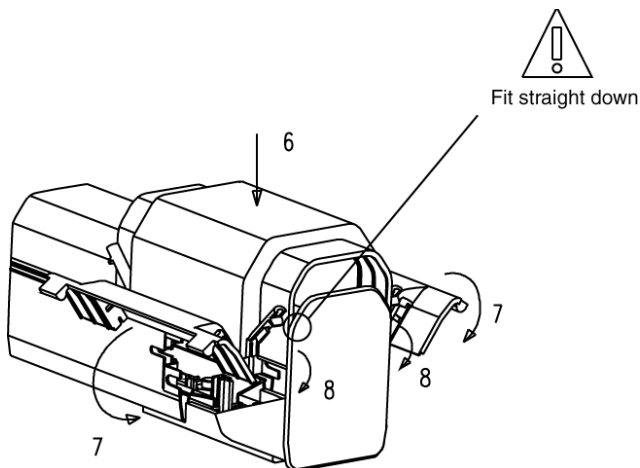
Open end cap cover. Pry the (4) four locking tabs open with small flat screwdrivers. Rotate clear of lower half of cover. Rotate lower halves of end cover open.

**Figure 28: End Cap cover**

Slide lower nut of the end cap into line element slot until it stops. Tighten with flat screwdriver.



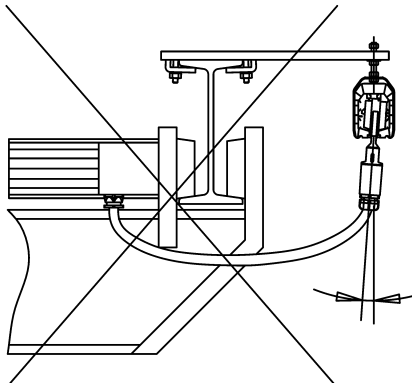
**Figure 29: End Cap placement**



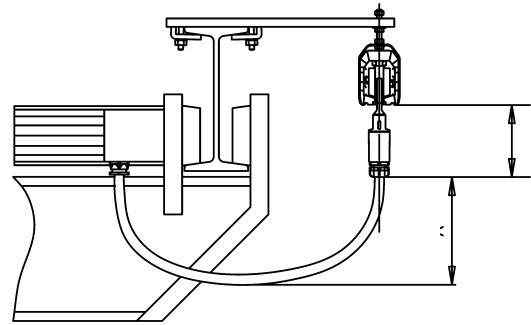
Lower End-cap cover straight down over end of line element and the end-cap base. Rotate lower half of the end cap cover and snap into position. Rotate down and snap the (4) four locking tabs into position.

**Figure 30: End Cap final assembly**

## 12. Connecting The Trolley



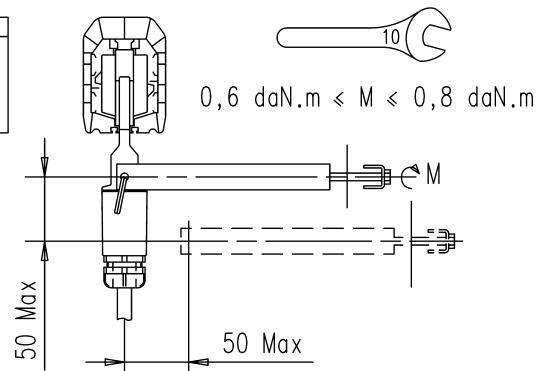
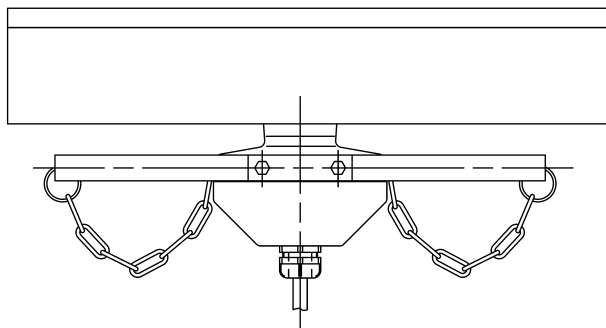
Do not allow trolley cable to pull the trolley to the side. Premature trolley wheel and brush wear can occur.



Cable is to hang straight down from trolley

**Figure 31: Trolley connections**

## 13. Tow Brackets



**Figure 32: Tow Brackets**

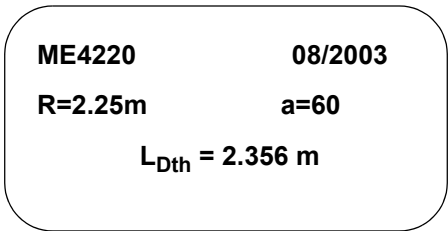
50 mm maximum deviation of tow bracket from trolley at any point over the length of the system.

# Curved Applications

## Before Assembly:

**Important!** Do not un-tighten curves before assembly on site. Do not try to take off the grey pieces.

All curves have an identification label:



## Expansion Placement

If an expansion joint is planed between two curves, it is imperative that it be placed at equal distance between the curves.

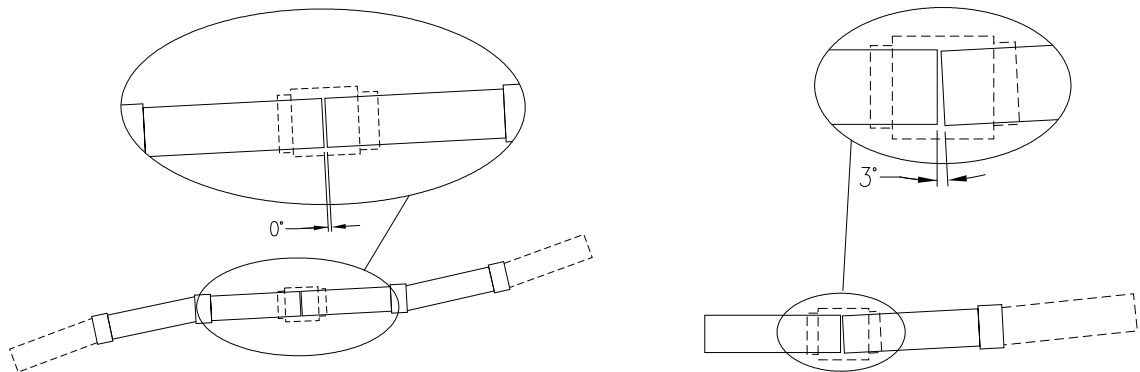
## Fixed Hanger Placement

**Important!** Always place fixed hanger on all curves. There is a risk of unhooking due to expansion.

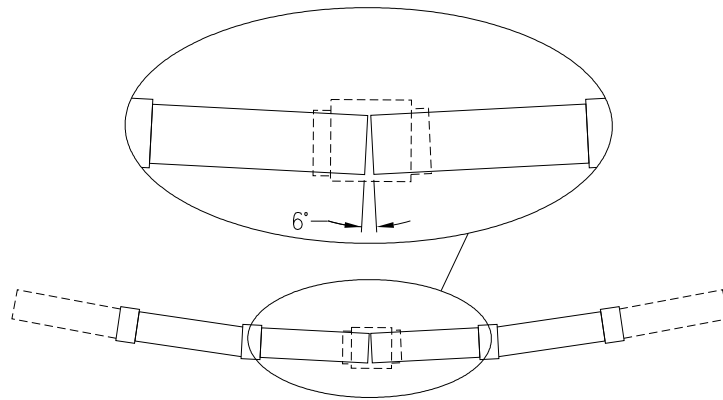
Fixed Hanger Requirements	
If Length of arc < 0.8 meters (2.62 feet)	1 fixed hanger
If Length of arc ≤ 3 meters (9.84 feet)	2 fixed hangers
If Length of arc > 3 meters (9.84 feet)	3 fixed hangers

## Connecting Curved Elements

The last section, at the end of each curve, makes a 3 degree angle with the next element.



Covering flange FM-1000 or Feed Box FM-1300 or FM-1330



Covering flange FM-1000-CO or Feed Box FM-1300-CO or FM-1330-CO

**Figure 33: Curved Line Element placement**

### *Assembly Procedure:*

1. Put the fixed hangers on the mounting brackets (refer to section 5 on page 7).
2. Put the curve in the fixed hangers without fixing anchoring screws. (Warning: at rest the radius of the curve is greater than the nominal radius due to flexibility in the element.)
3. Assemble connection on one side, conductors abutting each other.
4. Place the next element in the hangers, then close a little bit of the curve to place the remaining curve connections.
5. Install the joint covers (refer to section 7 on page 8). Use FM-1000 for straight sections and FM-1000-CO for curves.
6. Tighten the fixed hanger screws.
7. Special Articulated trolleys (single/double/triple) are required on all installations with a curve.

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