The air tube is made up of polyamide material, commonly known as nylon.

To carry the compressed air between components with no or relatively less movement, nylon pipes or rubber hoses are used. To carry the compressed air between components with relatively more movement, only rubber hoses are used.

**Nylon pipe, construction**

The nylon pipe is a solid core with single ply extrusion. The nylon pipe with outer diameter (D) greater than 6.35 mm, is a solid core covered with protective colored layers with fiber reinforcement between
the layers. The cover is resistant to heat and sunlight.

Rubber hose, construction

The hose is about three layers of rubber and reinforcement. The rubber hose is cut to a specific length and fittings are crimped on both ends.

Pneumatic quick fittings

Types of pneumatic quick fittings

- Brass fitting with insertable fitting and threads.
• Plastic fitting with insertable fitting for assembling the components without threads like footbrake and solenoid valve.

• Plastic fitting with insertable fitting without threads for assembling the building block and swivel element with thread.
- Insertable fitting which is assembled directly to the swivel element.

- Brass or plastic swivel fitting used for connecting building blocks.
- Brass or plastic plugs used for plugging the ports and connections that are not used.

- Plastic building blocks used for connecting various fittings.
Test nipple used to measure pressure in the pneumatic system.

Connecting swivel used for connecting fittings with building blocks.

Fitting system

Push in fitting system, construction

Push in fitting system, overview
The fitting (5) consists of a dust seal (3) to prevent the entry of dust and other contaminants.
The fitting (5) also consists of a check valve (6) which allows the air to escape when the fitting is under pressure. The check valve (6) also ensures that the tube is properly inserted into the fitting.

**Note**
If the tube is not properly fitted, there will be leakage of air.
The fitting has a plastic arm (7) which breaks when the tube is installed properly.

**Note**
A clicking sound will be heard when the tube is installed properly for first time.

**Note**
The fitting can be used a maximum 5 times either for removal or installation.

**Swivel and building block fitting system, construction**

The building block (9) has plastic clips (10) on either side which locks the swivel (8).
Air leakage between swivel and building block

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A The fitting is locked but is not sealed.

B The fitting is locked and sealed.

Leakage of air at (A) indicates that the assembly is not fitted properly.

**Tube, removal**
To remove the tube, a release tool (11) is used.
Position the tool on to the tube.
Push the tube into the fitting.
Rotate and push the tool to secure it fully into the fitting.
The tool will open the grip ring (2) and prevents the locking of the tube.

Note
The tool should be pressed against the fitting during the tube removal process.

Standard snap ring pliers (12) are used to disassemble the swivel (14) and building block (13).

While replacing the components like valves, air reservoirs or air bellows, the fittings can be removed along with tube.

Check the condition of O-rings on the fittings.

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Note
Ensure that the O-rings are seated properly on the fittings before installing.

Note
If necessary, replace the O-rings.

**Tube, installation**

Install the fitting on to the component.

Note
Ensure that the component is fixed firmly.

Note
Ensure that the tube is free from dust and other contaminants.

Note
Ensure that there is no visual damages to the tube.

Note
Ensure that the tube ends are straight.

Note
Ensure that the tubes are fitted straight into the fittings.

**Torque tighten the fittings.**

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### Tightening torque

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### Notes

- **Note**
  - Push the tube into the fitting until it stops.
  - A clicking sound will be heard when the tube is installed properly for first time.
  - The fitting can be used a maximum 5 times either for removal or installation.
  - Ensure that the tube is fitted properly into the fitting by pulling the tube.

Check for leakage.