

# HÖRN

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20 *Product lines*  
25 + FRP Crossarms  
+ FRP Poles  
+ Customized FRP structures

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# HÖRN®

## About us

We are CAVAR S.A., an industrial company with 40 years of expertise. Our dedication to the job, commitment to innovation, and the drive to generate systemic value for both the industry and society define who we are.

## We are in search of

We are proactively harnessing the skills and capabilities of our employees to cultivate a customer service culture. This commitment allows us to deliver a broad range of offerings to various industrial sectors, including telecommunications.

## Future direction

At HÖRN, our vision is to revolutionize the construction industry by applying innovative solutions through the use of composite materials. Our goal is to strengthen our organization globally, emphasizing the promotion of both aesthetic and functional value through design.

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# Fiber Reinforced Polyester

## FRP

### What is FRP?



“ Fiber Reinforced Polyester (FRP) is a composite material formed by combining thermosetting polyester resin with glass fibers, yielding a product with enhanced mechanical properties. ”

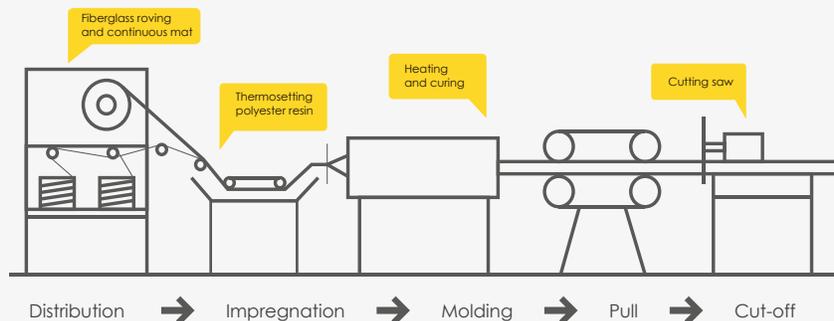
### Features of Fiberglass Composites

	FRP	STEEL	ALUMINUM	WOOD
Corrosion resistance	Highest	Low	Medium	High
Mechanical strength	High	High	Medium	Low
Weight	Low	High	Low	Medium
Electrical conductivity	Lowest	High	High	Low
Thermal conductivity	Lowest	High	Highest	Low
Electromagnetic Transparency	Highest	Low	Medium	High
Maintenance Costs	Low	High	Medium	High

### Manufacturing Process

## Pultrusion

Process



# Physical and Mechanical Properties

**Producer:**

CAVAR S.A

**Product**

FRP Crossarms

FRP Material Properties			
Mechanical Properties	Test Standard	Units	Value
Longitudinal Tensile Strength	ASTM D638	MPa	600
Longitudinal Tensile Modulus	ASTM D638	GPa	30
Longitudinal Flexural Strength	ASTM D790	MPa	700
Longitudinal Flexural Modulus	ASTM D790	GPa	20
Transverse Flexural Strength	ASTM D790	MPa	150
Transverse Flexural Modulus of Elasticity	ASTM D790	GPa	7
Transverse Flexural Modulus of Elasticity	ASTM D695	MPa	500
Longitudinal Compressive Modulus of Elasticity	ASTM D695	GPa	20
Transverse Compressive Strength	ASTM D695	MPa	100
Transverse Compressive Modulus of Elasticity	ASTM D695	GPa	4
Interlaminar Shear Strength	ASTM D 5379	MPa	60
Longitudinal Poisson's Ratio	ASTM 3039	mm/mm	0,25
IZOD Impact Strength	ASTM D256	J/m	2960
Physical Properties	Test Standard	Units	Value
Barcol Hardness	ASTM D2583		45
Water Absorption	ASTM D570	% Max	0,6
Density	ASTM D792	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	2,0 -2,2
Dielectric Strength (AC)	ASTM D149	KV/mm	13
Leakage Current	ASTM D149	uA	88
Flammability Classification	UL-94		V0
Flame Spread Index	ASTM E-84		25 Max



FRP crossarms to manage transmission and distribution systems, designed for strength and resilience, these components are essential in supporting overhead electrical lines while providing a lightweight and durable alternative . Crossarms are engineered to withstand harsh environmental conditions, including extreme temperatures, humidity, and corrosive elements; offers excellent resistance to degradation, ensuring a longer lifespan. This durability translates into reduced maintenance costs and fewer replacements over time, making FRP crossarms a cost-effective solution for utility companies.



Certificado No. 2014  
RETE 2013 / NTC 6183:2016  
Acreditación ONAC 21-CPR-002  
ISO/IEC 17065:2012

# Product configuration

## General Information

At HORN®, we focus on developing products made from composite materials designed for use in the utility and industrial sectors. Our team listens carefully to customer feedback and responds with products that meet or exceed required specifications and expectations.

The inherent advantages of composite materials are leading many utility companies to specify FRP crossarms for new and replacement transmission and distribution line installations.

Our crossarms are manufactured using pultrusion technology, which allows us to produce a lighter and more rigid product. Their lightweight nature helps reduce the risk of injury and lowers shipping and handling costs.

Many utility companies prefer Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) crossarms over wood, as they improve grid reliability. FRP crossarms provide structural performance similar to steel—but without the negative effects of corrosion or electrical conductivity.

## Environmental conditions

The environment where HORN brand FRP crossarms will be installed may have the following characteristics within the installation area, under the following conditions:

Environmental conditions	
Altitude above sea level	0 - 3000 m
Maximum relative humidity	Up to 95%
Minimum ambient temperature	0°C
Maximum ambient temperature	45°C
Solar radiation level	4500 W/m <sup>2</sup>
Wind speed	Up to 120 km/h

## Advantages

### Engineered FRP Crossarms

Our crossarms are designed to withstand the rigors of electrical distribution, including storms, wind, and ultraviolet rays. They are manufactured using the pultrusion process and exhibit a typical strength coefficient of variation (COV) of less than 5%.

### Lower Installed Cost

Once a utility company decides to try our FRP crossarm, they quickly realize that the savings in materials and labor surpass those of wood and steel crossarms.

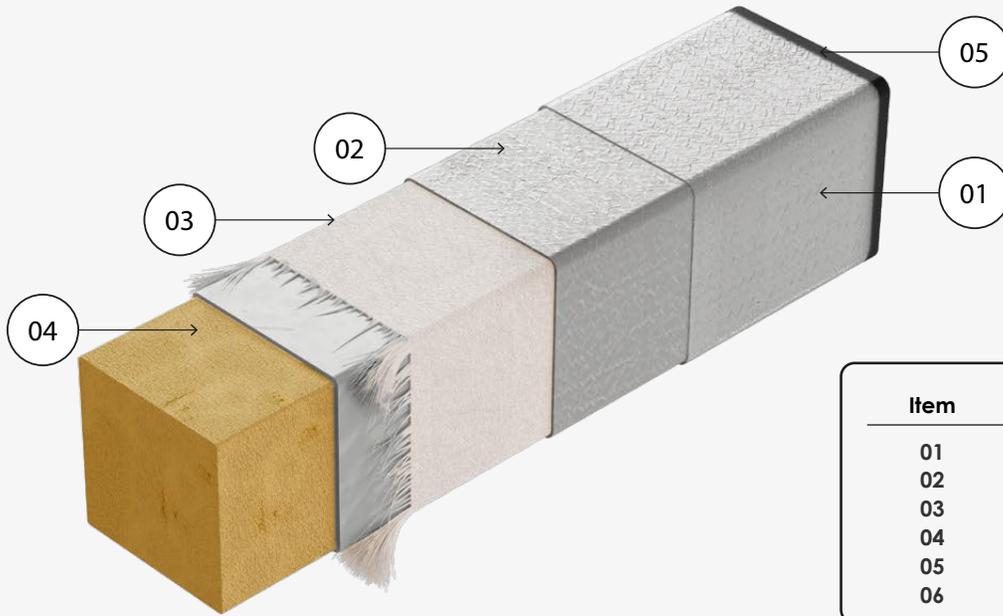
### Designed for Extended Service Life

FRP crossarms are engineered to withstand the effects of UV radiation. Extensive UV and humidity testing confirms that, statistically, there is no reduction in tensile strength when conditioned according to ASTM G154 after 5,000 hours of exposure.

### Field Fabrication Possible

Unlike steel crossarms, FRP crossarms can be easily drilled in the field using basic tools. A hole can be made in the crossarm within a short period of time if needed.

# Technical Characteristics of the Materials



Item	Description
01	Advanced UV protection
02	Resin/matrix
03	Glass fiber reinforcements
04	Filled with Polyurethane Foam
05	Side Covers
06	Light Gray Color

\* Polyurethane foam filling is optional.

## Advanced UV Protection

Our fiberglass profiles incorporate three layers of UV protection. First, the fiberglass reinforcements—which form the structural core of the ladders—are encapsulated with a polyester surface veil. This veil creates a resin-rich outer layer that protects the fibers from blooming. Additionally, UV absorbers are formulated into the resin to prevent ultraviolet light from degrading the polymer matrix. Finally, the profiles are coated with a high-performance aliphatic polyurethane topcoat, which provides long-lasting protection against harmful sun exposure. UV testing, which involved alternating cycles of light and humidity every four hours for 2,500 hours, showed no reduction in flexural strength.

## Resin/Matrix

FRP profiles are manufactured using a thermoset resin system that offers superior hardness and mechanical strength. Once cured, thermoset resins are highly durable and resistant to moisture and harsh environments.

## Polyurethane Foam Core (\*Optional)

Crossarms may include or exclude core filling material depending on customer requirements. When requested, they are filled with a two-component closed-cell polyurethane foam. The foam core prevents the ingress of moisture and insects into the interior of the crossarm.

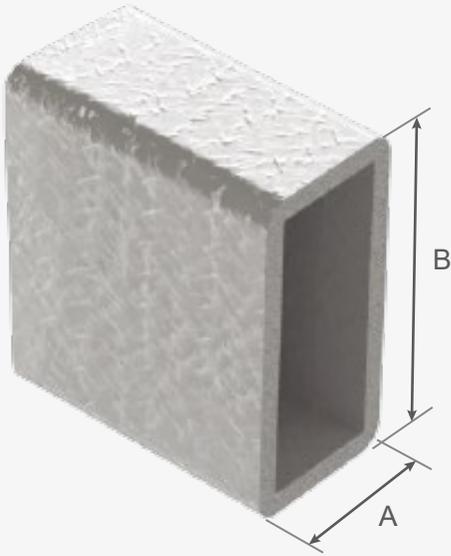
## Glass Fiber Reinforcements

All profiles are manufactured using electrical-grade E-glass reinforcements in the form of rovings, continuous filament mat (CFM), or engineered E-glass fabrics. All E-glass reinforcements meet a minimum tensile strength of 290 ksi (2000 MPa) in accordance with ASTM D2343.

## Side Covers

Our crossarms are fitted with injection-molded thermoplastic polymer side covers, engineered for high impact resistance and UV protection.

# Dimensions

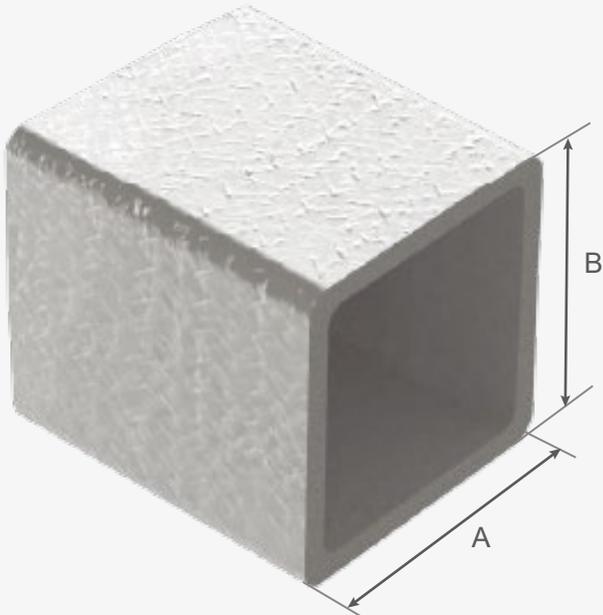


Square profile 4" X 2"

Item	Description	Value
A	External Width	50.80mm
B	Outer Height	101.60mm

**Weight per Linear Meter (Unfilled):** 3,96 kg  
**Weight per Linear Meter (With Filling):** 4,31 kg

*\*Image colors are for reference only, as we can adapt to the specific requirements of each project.*



Square profile 4" X 4"

Item	Description	Value
A	External Width	101.60mm
B	Outer Height	101.60mm

**Weight per Linear Meter (Unfilled):** 5,30 kg  
**Weight per Linear Meter (With Filling):** 5,67 kg

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# Qualification and Performance Tests

The HORN® crossarms have been subjected to testing in accordance with the requirements and acceptance criteria of NTC 6183-2016 and ASTM 8019 for the purpose of product certification. The tests conducted on the FRP material and the structure of the HORN® crossarm include:

FRP Material Properties		
Test applied	Description	Test Standard
Visual Inspection	Fiberglass-Reinforced Polyester (FRP) Crossarms for Overhead Power and Telecommunications Lines	NTC 6183-16
Dimensional inspection	Fiberglass-Reinforced Polyester (FRP) Crossarms for Overhead Power and Telecommunications Lines	NTC 6183-16
Flexural and Breaking Strength Tests	Standard Test Methods for Flexural Properties of Unreinforced and Reinforced Plastic number and Related Products	ASTM D6109
Breaking Test	Standard Test Methods for Flexural Properties of Unreinforced and Reinforced Plastic number and Related Products	ASTM D6109
Flexural Test	Standard Test Methods for Flexural Properties of Unreinforced and Reinforced Plastic number and Related Products	ASTM D6109
Tightening Torque	Recommended practice for Fiber reinforced Polymer products for overhead Utility Line Structures.	ASCE 104 No. 5.2.2
Through-Bolt or Tensile Strength	Recommended practice for Fiber reinforced Polymer products for overhead Utility Line Structures.	ASCE 104 No. 5.2.3
Direct Shear	Recommended practice for Fiber reinforced Polymer products for overhead Utility Line Structures.	ASCE 104 No. 5.2.4
Torsional Strength Test	Fiberglass-Reinforced Polyester (FRP) Crossarms for Overhead Power and Telecommunications Lines	NTC 6183-16
Long-Term Mechanical Test	Fiberglass-Reinforced Polyester (FRP) Crossarms for Overhead Power and Telecommunications Lines	NTC 6183-16

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Propiedades del material PRFV		
Test applied	Description	Test Standard
Side cover Strength	Fiberglass-Reinforced Polyester (FRP) Crossarms for Overhead Power and Telecommunications Lines	NTC 6183-16
UV and Weathering Resistance	Standard Practice for Operating Fluorescent Light Apparatus for UV Exposure of Nonmetallic Materials.	ASTM G154
Thermal Deformation	Standard Test Method for Deflection Temperature of Plastics Under Flexural Load in the Edgewise Position	ASTM D648
Flammability	Fire hazard testing - Part 2-11: Glowing/hot-wire based test methods - Glow-wire flammability test method for end-products	NTC 5283
Water Absorption	Standard Test Method for Water Absorption of Plastics	ASTM D570
Dielectric Strength	Test Method for Dielectric Breakdown Voltage and Dielectric -Strength -Solid Electrical Insulating Materials at Commercial Power Frequencies	ASTM D149
Tracking and Erosion Resistance	Electrical insulating materials used under sever ambient conditions – Test methods for evaluating resistance to tracking and erosion.	IEC 60587
Wet Power Frequency Withstand Voltage Test (Non-Disruptive)	Fiberglass-Reinforced Polyester (FRP) Crossarms for Overhead Power and Telecommunications Lines	NTC 6183-16
Flexural Strength and Stiffness Test for FRP Crossarms	Standard Test Methods for Determining the Full Section Flexural Modulus and Bending Strength of Fiber Reinforced Polymer Crossarms Assembled with Center Mount Brackets	ASTM 8019

# Product Identification

## Crossarm Label / Identification Tag 4" x 4"

**HÖRN**  
FRP Structural Solutions

**H - 00001**  
CRUCETAS EN FRP (Fiberglass Reinforced Polyester)

Manufacturing Company: **CAVAR**

Made in: **Colombia**

Dielectric strength: **50kv**

Manufacturing Standard: **NTC 6183-2016**  
NORMA TÉCNICA COLOMBIANA  
**RETIE 2013 - 20.17**

Failure load: **1200 kgf**

Dimensions: **101 x 101**  
Valores en milímetros

Length-to-weight ratio:

Longitud	2,4m
Peso	13,6kg

Manufacturing Year:

2025	2026	2027
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Manufacturing Month:

ENE	FEB	MAR	ABR	MAY	JUN
JUL	AGO	SEP	OCT	NOV	DIC

The client: **XXXXX**

Annotations:

- Identification Plate with Traceability Data
- Type of Profile Used in Crossarm Manufacturing
- Crossarm Length (Customer-Specified)
- Year of Product Manufacture
- Month of Product Manufacture

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Failure load: **1200 kgf**

The client: **XXXX**

Dimensions: **50 x 101**  
Valores en milímetros

Length-to-weight ratio:

Longitud	Peso
1,5m	6,05kg

Manufacturing Year:

2025	2026	2027
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Manufacturing Month:

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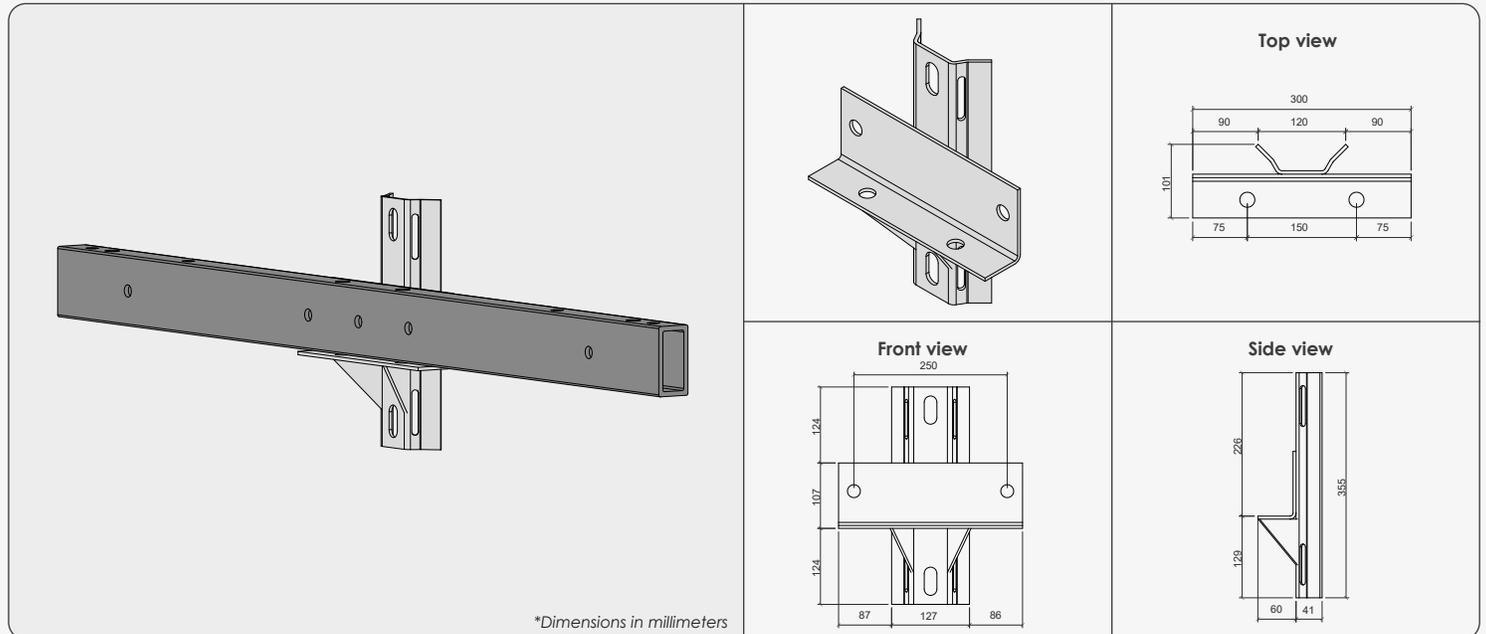
Annotations:

- Manufacturing Company
- Country of Manufacture
- Standard under which the product is manufactured
- Load capacity of the product

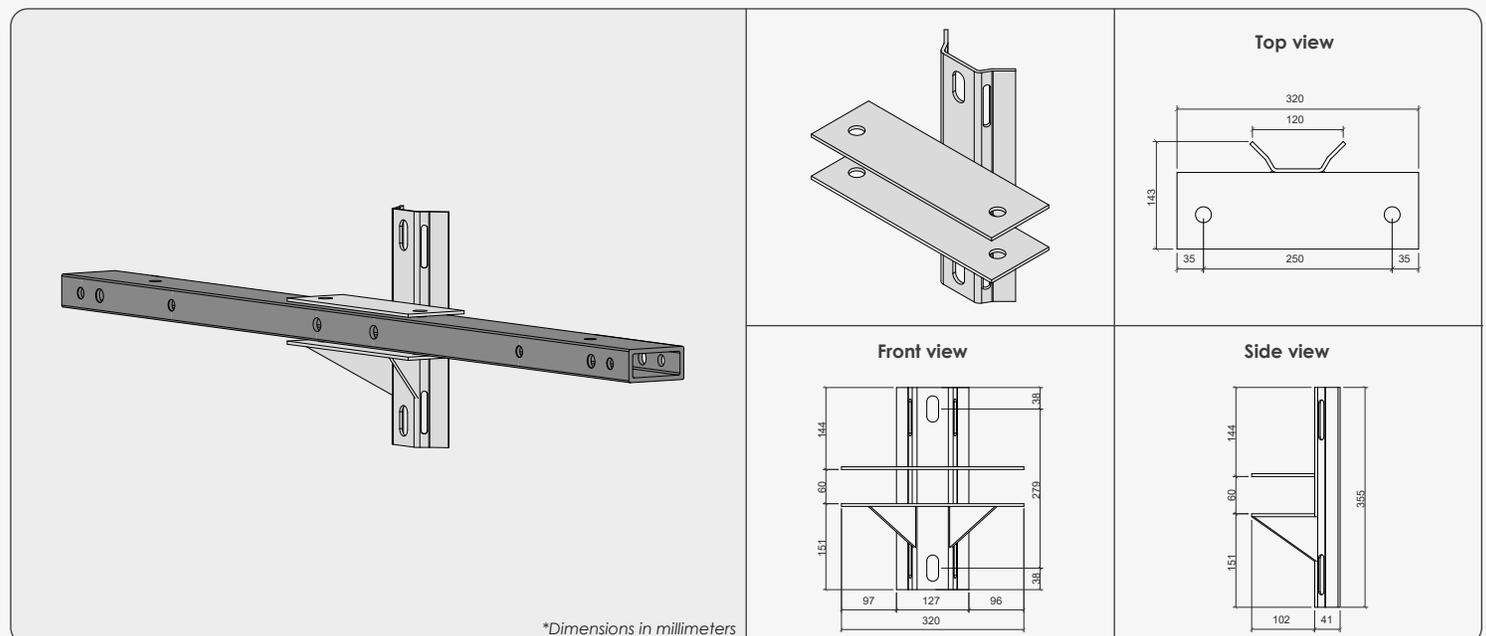
# Pole Connection Hardware

The 4" x 2" crossarms are equipped with galvanized steel metal fittings, optimized to ensure a precise structural fit and secure attachment to the pole. The perforations and fitting design can be adapted according to the client's requirements.

## Suspension clamp system 4" x 2"



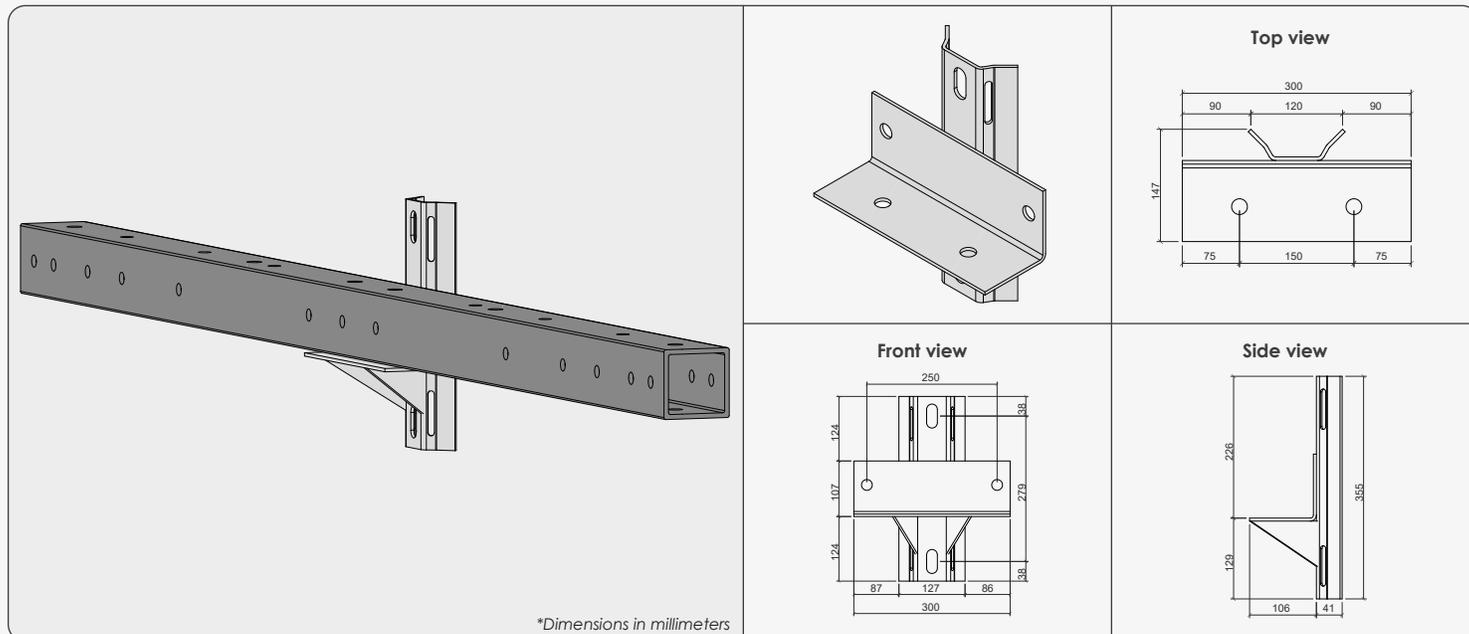
## Retention clamp system 4" x 2"



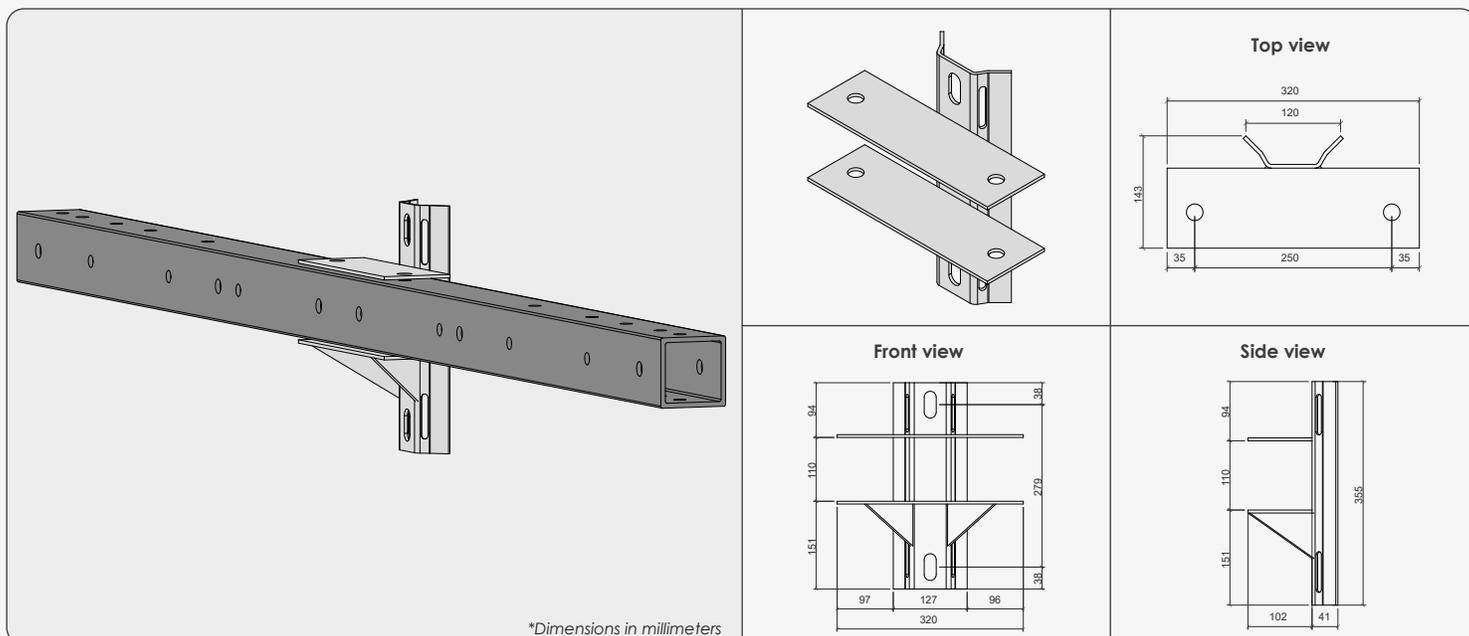
# Pole Connection Hardware

The 4" x 4" crossarms are equipped with galvanized steel metal fittings, optimized to ensure a precise structural fit and secure attachment to the pole. The perforations and fitting design can be adapted according to the client's requirements.

## Suspension clamp system 4"x 4"



## Retention clamp system 4"x 4"





A photograph of a utility tower with FRP crossarms and power lines against a clear blue sky. The crossarms are grey and have several insulators and wires attached. The tower is made of concrete and has some weathering. The overall scene is industrial and technical.

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