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Gasket materials are designed for fabrication of fl t gaskets covering a wide range of industrial applications, providing sealing performance with a variety of specific tions. With heightened awareness of safety and environmental issues, reducing emissions from flange assemblies has become a major priority for industry. I



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FASIT is a line of highly versatile gasket sheet materials, widely used with pipes and pressure vessels thanks to the ability to effectively seal over an extremely broad range of service conditions.

FASIT CSF jointing sheets are manufactured from a viscous granular mixture of high-strength short fib es, heat-resistant filler, elastomeric binders and various chemicals, which is vulcanised into sheet form under the pressure of two counter-rotating steel rollers (calenders).

The e ectiveness of FASIT gaskets is due to their resistance against plastic deformation, provided by the network of reinforcing fib es interlocked with the filler and the elastomeric matrix.

Fibres

The reinforcing fib es are the most crucial components.

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They must have high modulus and tensile strength, thermal and chemical stability, and capacity to hook up to the other ingredients.

Several types of fib es have been tested over the intervening years since asbestos was banned in the early 1990's. The best performances have been shown by aramid fib es (i.e. Dupont's Kevlar®), specificall poly-para-phenylene-terephthalamide fib es. These fib es make a percentage, typically ranging from 7 to 15%, of the mixture in the form of "pulp" of short fib es that undergo a process of fib illation, which leads to the formation of thin branches (fib ils).

Micro-photo of aramid Kevlar® (right) and inorganic (left) fibre in a FASIT sheet. Well-opened fibrils on the Kevlar® fibre surface allow interlocking with the elastomeric matrix, thereby imparting to the material excellent resistance against plastic deformation. This characteristic results in high stress retention and sealing performance of the gasket.

Fibrils drastically increase the specifi surface of the fib e, so enhancing their interlocking with the other components. Fibres are also doped with chemicals that a ect their surface electrostatic charge, in order to improve their mixing within the elastomeric matrix.

Aramid fib es owe their excellent thermal, chemical and mechanical properties to their chemical composition: carbon-nitrogen double bonds provide stiffness o the polymeric chain, which develops along ordered parallel planes.

Such a structure is, however, subject to attack by steam, which hydrolyzes the inter-molecular bonds, and by strong acids and alkalis. When such media are present, the integrity of aramid fib es is left up to the shield provided by the rubber matrix.

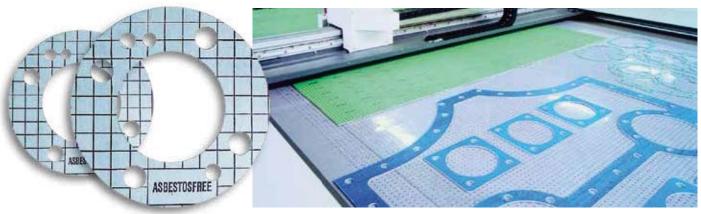
Glass, mineral, and carbon fib es withstand higher temperature compared to aramid fib es, but they are more brittle, have no fib ils (that is less interlocking ability),



and have a tendency to line along the rolling direction during the calendering process, which leads to mechanical anisotropy in the sheets. As a consequence they are used always in combination with aramid fib es in FASIT styles that are suitable for steam and high temperature applications. For applications with non-aggressive media at low temperature, organic fib es such as polyester and cellulose are used in price-e ective products.

Binders

The elastomeric binder typically represents 10 to 25% of the sheet weight. Only certain types of rubber can be used, in relation to their rheological properties and ability to wet fib es and filler . Most common binders are NBR, SBR, NR, CR, EPDM and CSM. In a CSF gasket it is essentially the binder that blocks the path of the sealed medium by closing the porosity between fib es and filler , and by matching and filling up all th irregularities of the flange fa es.



Moreover, it protects the gasket fib es and fillers f om chemical attack. The softening of the binder between 100 and 150°C is beneficial o gasket tightness, as it helps the binder to fl w and fill up all po osity. Above this temperature, however, and over time, the binder starts to harden. Nevertheless, since the gasket mechanical properties are provided by the fib es, this e ect does not hinder the gasket performance.

In conclusion, the binder is selected essentially with reference to the chemical resistance that it will impart to the gasket. CSM or EPDM binders are used in CSF styles that must operate in chemically-aggressive environments.

Fillers

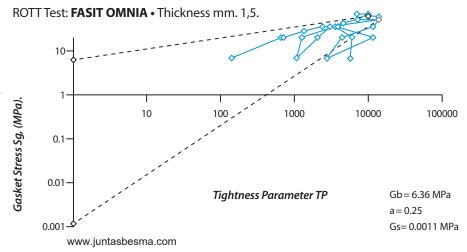
The fillers (70 - 80% in eight) have their own relevance too, essentially linked to their shape, specific su face ad electrostatic charge: all factors that a ect their ability to intimately mix with the reinforcing fib es. Their structure can be fib ous

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Fax: 946 714 360 Email: besma@juntasbesma.com (rock wool, glass wool, ceramics), fla y (graphite), or granular (kaolin, sulphates, oxide particles, etc.), with dimensions that range from sub-micron to hundreds of microns, and a specific su face that can exceed 100 m2/g, as it is the case for micro-porous active silica.

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The composition of some CSF styles includes reinforcing inserts, such as wire net or mesh, or metallic perforated sheet: such inserts increase the capacity of the gasket to withstand compressive load and therefore extend its suitability to higher service pressure.



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Sheet Style	202	205	OIL	OMNIA
Composition	Cellulose and synthetic fib es, NBR.	Synthetic fib es, NBR.	Aramid fib es, NBR.	Aramid fib es, NBR.
Main characteristics and applications	Price e ective. Suitable for thermo-hydraulic applications at low bolt loads. For use with water, oils, alcohols and glycols.	Suitable for water and acqueous solutions, oils, fuels, alcohols, glycols, weak alkalis and organic acids at low bolt loads.	Suitable for water and acqueous solutions, oils, fuels, alcohols, glycols, weak alkalis and organic acids.	Universal purpose in the oil, energy and chemical industries. Oils, fuels, solvents, gases, cooling agents, alcohols, weak alkalis, organic acids. Excellent sealability.
Recommended Service Limits (°C)* Max. short term temperature	180	200	280	350
Max. continuous temperature with non-aggressive media	140	150	220	250
Max. continuous temperature with steam	120	120	180	200
Max. operating pressure (bar)	40	60	80	100
Stress retention (N/mm2) - DIN 52913 16 hrs, 175°C, 50 N/mm2 16 hrs, 300°C, 50 N/mm2	20	23	25 20	28 22
Specific leakage rate (mg/m.sec) DIN 3535/6	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.05
Compressibility (%) - ASTM F36	5 ÷ 10	5 ÷ 10	5 ÷ 10	5 ÷ 10
Recovery (%) - ASTM F36	50	50	45	55
Tensile strength - across grain (N/mm2) - DIN 52910	7	8	9	11
Thickness increase after immersion (%) - ASTM F146 Oil IRM 903 for 5 hrs at 150°C ASTM Fuel B for 5 hrs at 23°C	10 10	10 10	8 8	8 8
Specifications	FDA 21 CFR/175.300, DVGW KTW for use with alimentary.	DIN 28091 FA-Z1-0.	DIN 28091 FA-A1-0 DVGW DIN 3536/6, KTW, W270, WRAS WQc, TA-Luft (VDI 2440) Germanische Lloyd	DIN 28091 FA-A1-0 BS 7531 grade Y DVGW DIN 3536/6, KTW, W270, WRAS WQc, BAM (oxygen) TA-Luft (VDI 2440) Germanische Lloyd.

^{*} Service limits are given for proper seating conditions and gasket design. Max. temperature and pressure limits do not apply simultaneously. Lower limits must be considered when sealing aggressive media, or when thermal or mechanical disturbances are relevant.

Standard Supply Data

• **Sheet size:** 1,500 x 1,500 mm. Upon request: 1,500 x 3,000 mm, 1,500 x 4,500 mm. • Sheet thickness:

 $0.3 \div 5$ mm. - Tolerance: $\pm 10\%$

Tolerance: \pm 50 mm.

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STEAM	400	400 Fe	нт	CF
Mineral fib es, Aramid fib es, NBR.	Aramid fib es, NBR lamellar graphite.	Aramid fib es, NBR lamellar graphite, wire insertion.	Glass fib es, Aramid fib es, NBR.	Carbon fib es, Aramid fib es, NBR.
Recommended in presence of thermal cycling, saturated or overheated steam. Suitable for oils, fuels and solvents.	Use with dynamic loads, as the embedded graphite flakes p ovides high resistance to temperature and mechanical stress. Suitable for steam, fuels, oils, alkalis and weak acids.	For elevated and flu tuating pressures and temperatures. Suitable for steam, fuels, oils.	Very high temperature applications, in presence of gases, fuels, oils, mild organic and inorganic acids, steam.	Outstanding sealability at high temperatures; gases, hydrocarbon, steam, mild acids and a wide range of strong alkalis. Tightness retention after fi e. Excellent flexibili y.
350	350	400	440	400
270	280	350	350	300
230	250	230	250	280
100	100	140	100	100
35 30	35 25	39 36	35 30	35 25
0.06	0.08	0.5	0.08	0.05
5 ÷ 10	5 ÷ 10	5 ÷ 10	5 ÷ 10	5 ÷ 10
55	50	55	50	55
7	9	25	8	8
57 67	5 8	5 8	8 8	7
DIN 28091 FA-GA1-0 BS 7531 grade X DVGW DIN 3536/6, KTW, W270, WRAS WQc, BAM (oxygen).	DIN 28091 FA-AC1–0, BS 7531 grade Y BAM (oxygen).	DIN 28091 FA-AC1–St, BS 7531 grade Y Germanische Lloyd.	DIN 28091 FA-GA1–0, BS 7531 grade X DVGW DIN 3536/6, DVGW VP 401, TA-Luft (VDI 2440) Germanische	DIN 28091 FA-AC1–0, BS 7531 grade X DVGW DIN 3536/6, KTW, VP 401 BAM (oxygen) Germanische
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Available Surface Finish

4AS anti-stick coating on both sides is standard in all styles.

PTFE, graphite or silicone coating is available upon request.

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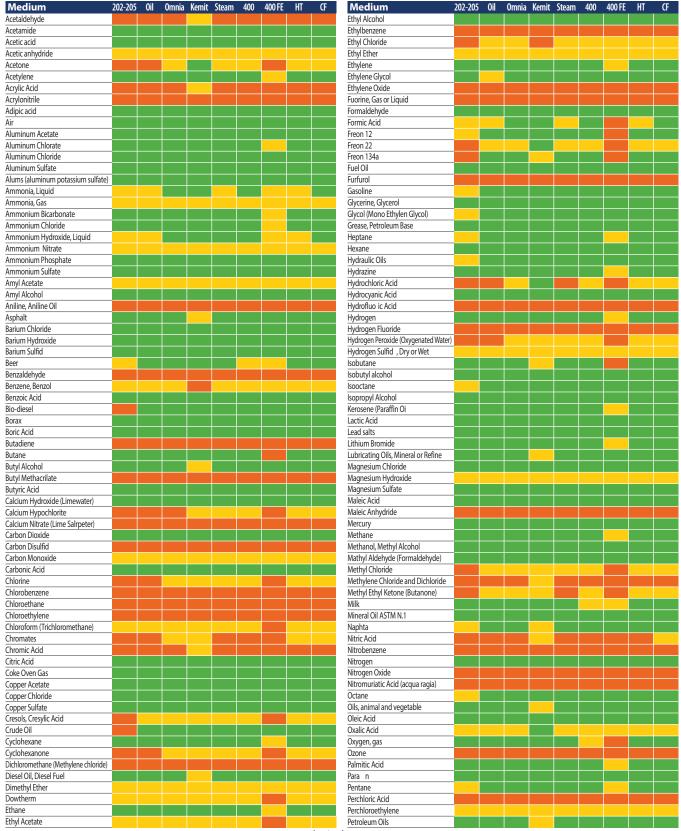
Chemical Resistance Chart - FASIT®

The information in this chart is intended to be a guideline for the selection of the suitable gasket quality.

Because the function and durability

of the products depend upon a number of factors that could not be included in the chart, the data may not be used to support any warranty claims.

Suitable
Suitability depends
on operating conditions
Non suitable



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Medium	202-205	0il	0mnia	Kemit	Steam	400	400 FE	HT	CF
Phenol									
Phosgene									
Phosphoric Acid									
Phtalic acid									
Polyacrilonitrile									
Potassium Acetate									
Potassium Bicarbonate									
Potassium Carbonate (Potash)									
Potassium Chloride									
Potassium Chromate									
Potassium Cyanide									
Potassium Hydroxide (Caustic Potash)									
Potassium Iodide									
Potassium Nitrate, Acqueous Solution									
Potassium Nitrate, Melt (Saltpeter)									
Potassium Sulfate									
Propane									
Propyl Alcohol									
Propylene									
Prussic acid, Hydrocyanic Acid									
Salicylic Acid									
Silicone Oil									
Silver Nitrate									
Soap									
Sodium Aluminate									
Sodium Bicarbonate, Baking Soda									
Sodium Bisulfate									
Sodium Carbonate, Soda									
Sodium Chlorate, Acqueous Solution									
Sodium Chloride									
Sodium Hydroxide									
Sodium Hypochloride (bleach)									
Sodium Nitrate (Chile Saltpeter)									

Medium	202-205	0il	0mnia	Kemit	Steam	400	400 FE	HT	CF
Sodium Perborate									
Sodium Phosphate									
Sodium Silicate									
Sodium Sulfate									
Sodium Sulfid									
Stannic Chloride									
Starch									
Steam, Saturated									
Steam, Superheated									
Stearic Acid									
Styrene									
Sugar Solution									
Sulfur Dioxide									
Sulfuric Acid									
Sulfurous Acid									
Tannic Acid									
Tar									
Tartaric Acid									
Tetrachloroethylene (Perchlorate)									
Toluene									
Transformer Oil (Mineral Type)									
Trichloroethane									
Trichloroethylene									
Urea									
Vinyl Acetate									
Vinyl Methacrylate									
Water, Distilled									
Water, Seawater									
Water, Tap									
Wines									
Xylene									
Zinc Chloride									
Zinc Sulfate									





Structure

It can be seen as a paradox that graphite, a very soft and pliant substance, is formed of the same element - carbon - which produces the diamond, the hardest material known in nature.

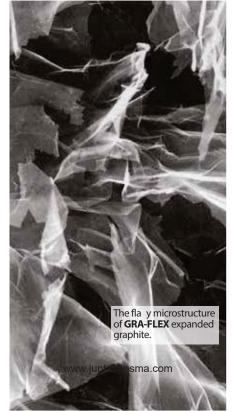
The di erence between the two materials is all in their crystalline structure:

while diamond shows a tetrahedral crystal lattice (sp3 hybridisation) symmetric in the three directions, graphite's structure is hexagonal (sp2 hybridisation), with carbon atoms tightly bonded within the planes and loosely bonded between the planes.

Such an asymmetry is the cause of the peculiar anisotropy found in the mechanical, thermal and electrical properties of the graphite, as well as of its inherent lubricity.

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GRA-FLEX is available as homogeneous foil, in roll or sheet format, or as inserted sheet.

GRA-FLEX foil is mainly used for fabrication of laminated gasket sheets, of semi-metallic gaskets, such as spiral-wound, metal-jacketed and kam-profile gasket, of sealing rings and of smooth or corrugated tapes.



Density

The standard density of GRA-FLEX graphite is 1 g/cm3, but it can be requested in the range 0.7 - 1.3 g/cm3: higher density corresponds to lower gas permeability and higher mechanical strength, but also to lower conformability.

Purity

The purity of graphite is evaluated in terms of its carbon content, or, conversely, in terms of its content of ashes, which represent the residue after burning the graphite in air.

Such ashes contain mainly harmless elements, like silicon and aluminium, but also contaminants, usually residues from the mineral gangue of the natural graphite, such as quartz, silicates or mica: these disturb the orderly laminar structure of the graphite, producing channels and irregular pores that reduce the sealing e ectiveness of the gasket. Moreover, as the ash content increases, the mechanical strength is also reduced and there is a greater risk of corrosion.



Properties

- Thermo-mechanic strength: this characteristic leads to excellent retention of the gasket stress, even at very high temperature and in presence of thermal and dynamic cycles and shocks.
 Because the gasket creep is so low, bolt re-tightening is no longer necessary.
- Chemical resistance: GRA-FLEX is resistant to most media, including steam, hydrocarbons and most acids. Exceptions are strong oxidizing fluid.
- Temperature stability: since the material elasticity is due to its own physical structure and not to elastomeric components, this remains suitable from cryogenic (-200°C) to extremely high temperatures (+3000°C in inert or reducing atmosphere).
- Conformability: GRA-FLEX good conformability allows its use with practically any type of flang ,



For this reason standard grade GRA-FLEX ash content is 1%, that is lower than that of the majority of graphites currently available on the market. In expanded graphite there are usually traces of sulphur, chlorine and fluo ine: under certain conditions, these elements can contribute to activate corrosion processes in metallic assemblies. In such cases, one can use "premium" grade GRA-FLEX, where such impurities are further limited.

Purity grades of GRA-FLEX® expanded graphite:

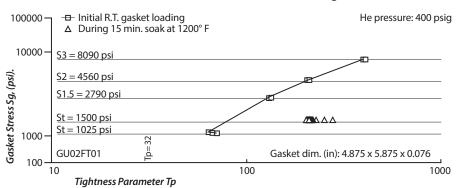
Grade:	_		STANDARD	PREMIUM
Ashes	ASTM C 561	%	< 1	< 0,5
Leachable chloride ions	ASTM F 1277	ppm	< 40	< 20
Leachable fluo ide ions	ASTM F 1277	ppm	< 40	< 20



including light, very large size, irregular and poorly planar flange, without the need of high gasket thickness.

- No ageing: GRA-FLEX does not lose its resiliency with time, either in storage or in service, even if exposed at high temperature. GRA-FLEX gaskets are thus recommended for joints that may relax over time.
- Fire resistance: being free of organic components, GRA-FLEX gaskets are ideal for applications where the seal must be retained during and after a fi e, such as with toxic or flammable media
- Health safety: GRA-FLEX does not contain toxic components, nor any type of fib es.

GRA-FLEX GR 1/16" Thick Sheet Gasket. Gasket Stress vs Tightness for Entire Test.



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GRA-FLEX®

Inserted Sheet Style	S	GR	R
Insert	None.	Perforated tanged stainless steel sheet 0.10 mm thick.	Smooth stainless steel AISI 316 sheet 0.05 mm thick.
Main characteristics and applications	Typically used as fille for semi-metallic gaskets. It can be used also for gaskets where no insert is required.	Universal purpose for a high temperature and pressure applications, in presence of mechanical and thermal cycles and shocks. Suitable for steam, hydrocarbons and most chemicals.	the assembly load.
Max. operating temperature (°C)* Medium: air or oxidizing media	450	450	450
Medium: reducing or inert, but joint exposed to air	550	550	550
Medium and joint atmosphere: reducing or inert	3000	700	700
Max. operating pressure (bar)*	80	120	80
Stress retention (N/mm2) - DIN 52913 16 hrs, 300°C, 50 N/mm2	49	49	>48
Specific leakage rate (mg/m.sec) DIN 3535/6	0.05	0.08	0.05
Compressibility (%) - ASTM F36	40 ÷ 50	35 ÷ 45	40 ÷ 50
Recovery (%) - ASTM F36	10 ÷ 15	15 ÷ 20	10 ÷ 15
Compression modulus (%) DIN 28090/2 at room temp. Eksw at elevated temp. Ewsw/300°C Percentage creep relaxation (%) DIN 28090/2	45 < 4	32 1.2	41 1.1
at room temp. Ekrw at elevated temp. Ewrw/300°C Recovery R (mm)	4.5 4.5 0.08	4.5 4 0.085	4.5 4 0.08
Specifications	DIN 28091-4 GR-O-0.	DIN 28091-4 GR-O-1M-Cr FITT fi e-safety.	DIN 28091-4 GR-O-1K-Cr.

^{*} Service limits are given for proper seating conditions and gasket design. Max. temperature and pressure limits do not apply simultaneously. Lower limits must be considered when sealing aggressive media, or when thermal or mechanical disturbances are relevant.

Standard Supply Data

All standard sheet styles are made with "standard" grade GRA-FLEX, but they are also available from "premium" grade.

S style density: 1 g/cm3 Upon request: 0.7 ÷ 1.3 g/cm3 *Tolerance*: ± 5% • Sheet size:

1,000 x 1,000 or 1,500 x 1,500 mm. *Tolerance*: ± *50* mm.

RX	G	N	AUTO	ALU
Multiple smooth stainless steel AISI 316 sheets 0.05 mm thick.	Fiberglass fabric 0.2 mm thick.	Stainless steel wire net.	Perforated tanged carbon steel sheet 0.20 mm thick.	Alluminum foil on both faces.
Multiple stainless steel inserts allow the gasket to withstand very high gasket stresses and, therefore, to be used at very high service pressures.	High temperature and moderate pressure applications. Maximum chemical resistance. Easy to cut and handle.	High temperature applications. Good mechanical strength.	Extra strong insert, mainly used for automotive application.	High temperature and moderate pressure applications. Maximum chemical resistance. Easy to cut and handle.
450	450	450	450	450
550	550	550	550	550
700	600	700	700	650
200	60	80	150	60
49	>45	>48	>48	>48
0.05	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.05
35 ÷ 45	40 ÷ 50	40 ÷ 50	40 ÷ 50	40 ÷ 50
15 ÷ 20	10 ÷ 15	10 ÷ 15	10 ÷ 15	10 ÷ 15
30 ÷ 40	38	35	30	38
< 4	1	1.5	1.5	<4
4	E	4.5	4.5	4.5
4	5 4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
DIN 28091-4 GR-O-3K-Cr.	DIN 28091-4 GR-O-1K-Z.	DIN 28091-4 GR-O-1M-Cr.	DIN 28091-4 GR-O-1M-St.	DIN 28091-4 GR-O-2K-AI.

• Sheet thickness: 0.5 ÷ 5 mm (depending on styles) Tolerance: ± 10%.

• Foil roll size: 1,000 or 1,500 mm x 50 or 100 m. *Tolerance*: ± 50 mm

• Foil roll thickness: 0.25 ÷ 1 mm. *Tolerance:* \pm 5%.

Anti-stick coating available upon request.

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GUAFLON® line includes several types of PTFE-based gasket sheets, which are designed mainly for application in the chemical, petrol-chemical, food and pharmaceutical industry.

PTFE

The PTFE (poly-tetra-fluo o-ethylene, formula (CF2)n) owes its fundamental characteristic - an outstanding chemical resistance - to a molecular structure in which very long linear chains of carbon atoms are fully wrapped and protected by fluo ine atoms.

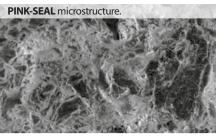
The carbon-fluo ine bond is the strongest of all organic chemistry: as a result, its stability is barely a ected by thermal excitation or chemical attacks.

Because of its structure, the PTFE is resistant to almost all chemicals,

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exceptions being melt alkaline metals, fluo ine gas, hydrogen fluo ide and materials that can produce these compounds; while its physical properties remain suitable for use throughout an extremely wide range of operative temperatures: from cryogenic values up to about 300°C.

Other characteristics which make PTFE an excellent material for gasket application are:

- excellent ageing resistance
- physiological safety
- rélevant for alimentary use
- no contamination of confined medi - relevant for uses with high purity media, i.e. pharmaceutical and painting industry
- anti-stick surface
 relevant when flange
 have to be opened frequently
- low abrasion coefficit
 relevant for dynamic seals

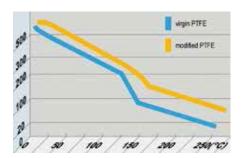
Fillers

The main drawback of PTFE is its relatively poor mechanical strength, due to the absence of bonds or electrostatic forces between the molecular chains: this causes gaskets that are made from pure PTFE to be easily a ected by plastic deformation, even at room temperature (cold fl w). In order to overcome this problem, GUAFLON sheets are typically filled with ino ganic particles, such as glass fibers or silica rains, that increase the material stability under compression.

Modified PTFE

Some GUAFLON styles are obtained from a particular variety of PTFE, known "as modified PTFE, whose characteristic is a modific tion in the polymeric structure (integration of the PPVE modifier t low concentration in the polymer linear chain). The advantages of the modifie PTFE are greater strength against compressive stress, higher elasticity, lower porosity and permeability.

Elastic Modulus (N/mm²)



Temperature (°C)



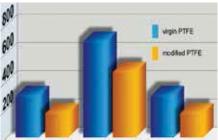
A remarkable property of GUAFLON gaskets is in their high tightness effectiveness, defined by low values of gasket constants, resulting in minimized leakage rates.

As a consequence, GUAFLON gaskets are especially recommended for the control of fugitive emissions, in presence of polluting or hazardous media.

Expanded PTFE

The expanded PTFE that makes the GUAFLON SOFT-SEAL does not contain filler, but owns its properties to a microscopic cellular structure that leads to outstanding compressibility, especially

Permeability (cm³ / m² • d • bar) DIN 53380, sheet thickness: 1mm



SO₂ at 23°C HCl at 50°C Cl₂ at 50°C

suitable for application with light, irregular or poorly planar flange . Because expanded PTFE gaskets becomes very thin when assembled between the flange , their ability to retain the gasket stress is excellent even at high loads and temperatures.

Permanent Deformation (%) 15 N/mm², 100 hrs, 23°C.





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GUAFLON®

Sheet Style	BLUE-SEAL	WHITE-SEAL	PINK-SEAL	SOFT-SEAL
Composition	Virgin PTFE, glass fib es.	Modified PTF , glass fib es.	Modified PTF, silica fille.	Expanded PTFE.
Main characteristics and applications	Price e ective. Suitable for a wide range of applications with chemicals at low bolt loads.	Universal use for most chemically aggressive media and high tightness requirements.	For high mechanical loads, where superior recovery and compression strength are requested.	Maximum chemical resistance. Suitable for very high pressure. Extra compressibility to match any flang irregularities and assure a tight seal even at low bolt loads.
Recommended Service Limit (°C)* Max. short term temperature Max. continuous temperature Max. operating pressure (bar)	260 210 60	260 260 80	260 260 85	315 270 200
Stress retention (N/mm2) - DIN 52913 16 hrs, 150°C, 30 N/mm2	14	16	17	23
Specific leakage rate (mg/m.sec) DIN 3535/6 λ2.0 (30 N/mm2, N2 at 40 bar)	0.05	0.01	0.01	< 0.01
Compressibility (%) - ASTM F36	7 ÷ 15	7 ÷ 15	7 ÷ 15	68
Recovery (%) - ASTM F36	35	45	55	11
Tensile strength - across grain (N/mm2) - DIN 52910	17	12	12	14.5
Compression modulus (%) DIN 28090/2 at room temp. Eksw at elevated temp. Ewsw/300°C Percentage creep relaxation (%) DIN 28090/2 at room temp. Ekrw at elevated temp. Ewrw/300°C Recovery R (mm.) - DIN 28090/2	11 45 3 4 0.08	7 37 3 5 0.09	8 15 3 4 0.07	
Specifications	DIN 28091 TF-G-O	DIN 28091 TF-G-O	DIN 28091 TF-M-O	DIN 28091 TF-O-O FDA 21 CFR/177.1550

^{*} Service limits are given for proper seating conditions and gasket design. Max. temperature and pressure limits do not apply simultaneously. Lower limits must be considered when thermal or mechanical disturbances are relevant.

Standard Supply Data

• **Sheet size:** 1,500 x 1,500 mm. *Tolerance*: ± 50 mm.

• Sheet thickness: $0.5 \div 3$ mm. For GUAFLON SOFT-SEAL: $1 \div 6$ mm *Tolerance:* ± 10%

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Chemical Resistance Chart - GRA-FLEX® & GUAFLON®

	GRAFLEX			FLON			GRAFLEX		GUA		
Medium	All Styles	Blue-Seal	White-Seal	Pink-Seal	Soft-Seal	Medium	All Styles	Blue-Seal	White-Seal	Pink-Seal	Soft-Sea
Acetaldehyde						Chloroethane					
Acetamide						Chloroethylene					
Acetic acid						Chloroform (Trichloromethane)					
Acetic Anhydride						Chloromethyl Methyl Ether					
Acetone						Chloroprene					
Acetonitrile		1				Chlorosulfonic Acid					
Acetylene		 				Chromates					
		 				Chromic Acid					
Acrylamide		 									
Acrylic Acid						Chromic Anhydride					
Acrylic Anhydride						Chromic Trioxide					
Acrylonitrile						Citric Acid					
Adipic acid						Coke Oven Gas					
Air						Copper Acetate					
Aluminum Acetate						Copper Chloride					
Aluminum Chlorate						Copper Sulfate					
Aluminum Chloride						Creosote					
Aluminum Fluoride						Cresols, Cresylic Acid					
Aluminum Nitrate						Crude Oil					
Aluminum Sulfate						Cumene (Isopropyl Benzene)					
Alums (aluminum potassium sulfate)						Cyclohexane					
Ammonia, Liquid						Cyclohexanone					
Ammonia, Gas						Decalin					
Ammonium Bicarbonate						Dibenzylether					
Ammonium Chloride						Dibutyl Phthalate					
Ammonium Hydroxide, Liquid						Dichlorobenzene					
Ammonium Nitrate						Dichloroethane					
Ammonium Phosphate						Dichloroethylene					
Ammonium Sulfate						Dichloroethyl Ether					
Amyl Acetate						Dichloromethane (Methylene chloride)					
Amyl Alcohol						Dichloropropane					
Aniline, Aniline Oil						Diesel Oil, Diesel Fuel					
Asphalt						Diethanolamine					
Barium Chloride						Dimethyl Ether					
		 									
Barium Hydroxide						Dimethylformamide					
Barium Sulfid						Dinitrotoluene					
Beer						Dioxane					
Benzaldehyde						Diphenylhydrazine					
Benzene, Benzol						Dowtherm					
Benzidine						Ethane					
Benzoic Acid						Ethyl Acetate	_				
Benzonitrile						Ethyl Acrylate					
Benzotrichloride						Ethyl Alcohol					
						Ethylbenzene					
Benzoyl choride											
Benzyl alcohol						Ethyl Chloride					
Benzyl Chloride						Ethyl Ether					
Bio-diesel						Ethylene					
Biphenil						Ethylene Bromide					
Black Sulfate Liquor						Ethylene Dichloride					
Borax						Ethylene Glycol					
Boric Acid		 				Ethylene Oxide					
Bromine Provide Triffice ide						Fuorine, Gas or Liquid					
Bromine Trifluo ide						Fluorine dioxide					
Butadiene						Fluorosilicic acid					
Butane						Formaldehyde					
2-Butadone						Formic Acid					
Butyl Acetate						Freon 12					
Butyl Alcohol						Freon 22					
n-Butyl Amine						Freon 134a					
Butyl Methacrilate						Fuel Oil					
Butyric Acid						Furfurol					
Calcium Hydroxide (Limewater)						Gasoline					
Calcium Hypochlorite						Glycerine, Glycerol					
Calcium Nitrate (Lime Salrpeter)						Glycol (Mono Ethylen Glycol)					
Caprolactam						Grease, Petroleum Base					
Captan						Green Sulfate Liquor					
Carbon Dioxide						Heptachlor					
Carbon Disulfid						Heptane					
Carbon Monoxide						Hexachlorobenzene					
Carbon Monoxide Carbon Tetrachloride						Hexachloroethane					
Carbonic Acid						Hexamethylene Diisocyanate					
Carbonyl Sulfid						Hexane					
Cesium melt						Hydraulic Oils					
Chlorine, Dry						Hydrazine					
Chlorine, Wet						Hydrobromic Acid					
						Hydrochloric Acid					
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Medium Hydrogen	All Styles	blue-Seal	White-Seal	PINK-Seal	Soft-Seal	Medium Potassium Nitrate, Melt (Saltpeter)	All Styles	Blue-Seal	wnite-seai	PINK-Seai	SOIT-Seal
Hydrogen Fluoride						Potassium Permanganate					
Hydrogen Peroxide (Oxygenated Water)						Potassium Sulfate					
Hydrogen Sulfid , Dry or Wet						Propane					
Hydroguinone						Propyl Alcohol					
Isobutane						Propyl Nitrate					
Isobutyl alcohol						Propylene					
Isooctane						Propylene Dichloride					
Isopropyl Alcohol						Propylene Oxide					
Kerosene (Paraffin Oi						Prussic acid, Hydrocyanic Acid					
Lactic Acid						Pyridine					
Lead salts						Salicylic Acid					
Lithium Bromide						Silicone Oil					
Lithium melt						Silver Nitrate					
Lubricating Oils, Mineral or Refine						Soap					
Lye						Sodium Aluminate					
Magnesium Chloride						Sodium Bicarbonate, Baking Soda					
Magnesium Hydroxide						Sodium Bisulfate					
Magnesium Sulfate						Sodium Carbonate, Soda					
Maleic Acid						Sodium Chlorate, Acqueous Solution					
Maleic Anhydride						Sodium Chloride					
Mercury						Sodium Cyanide					
Methane						Sodium melt					
Methanol, Methyl Alcohol						Sodium Hydroxide					
Methylacrilic Acid						Sodium Hypochloride (bleach)					
Mathyl Aldehyde (Formaldehyde)						Sodium Nitrate (Chile Saltpeter)					
Methyl Bromide						Sodium Perborate					
Methyl Chloride						Sodium Peroxide					
Methylene Chloride and Dichloride						Sodium Phosphate, Monobasic					
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (Butanone)						Sodium Phosphate, Dibasic or Tribasic					
Methyl Isobutil Ketone						Sodium Silicate					
Milk						Sodium Sulfate					
Mineral Oil ASTM N.1						Sodium Sulfid					
Naphta						Sodium Superoxide					
Nitric Acid						Stannic Chloride					
Nitrobenzene						Starch					
Nitrogen						Steam, Saturated					
Nitrogen Oxide, Wet						Steam, Superheated					
Nitrogen Oxide, Dry						Stearic Acid					
Nitrogen Tetroxide						Styrene					
Nitromuriatic Acid (acqua ragia)						Sugar Solution					
Nitrosulfuric Acid						Sulfur Chloride					
Octane						Sulfur Dioxide					
Oils, animal and vegetable						Sulfur, Molten					
Oleic Acid						Sulfur Trioxide					
Oxalic Acid						Sulfuric Acid					
Oxygen, gas						Sulfuric Acid, Fuming (Oleum)					
Ozone						Sulfurous Acid					
Palmitic Acid						Tannic Acid					
Para n						Tar					
Pentane						Tartaric Acid					
Perchloric Acid						Tetrachlorethane					
Perchloroethylene						Tetrachloroethylene (Perchlorate)					
Petroleum Oils						Thionyl Chloride					
Phenol						Titanium Tetrachloride					
Phosphata Estars						Toluene Transformer Oil (Mineral Type)					
Phosphate Esters						Trichloroethane					
Phosphoric Acid											
Phosphorus Trichloride						Trichloroethylene					
Phtalic acid Phtalic Anhydride						Triethanolamine Triethylamine					
Piperidine Polyacrilonitrile						Trimethylaluminum Uranium Hexafluo ide					
Potassium melt						Urea					
Potassium Meit Potassium Acetate						Vinyl Acetate					
Potassium Acetate Potassium Bicarbonate						Vinyl Bromide					
Potassium Bicarbonate Potassium Bromate, Acqueous Solution						Vinyl Chloride					
Potassium Carbonate (Potash)						Vinyl Methacrylate					
Potassium Carbonate (Potasri)						Water, Distilled					
Potassium Chloride						Water, Distilled Water, Seawater					
Potassium Chromate						Water, Seawater Water, Tap					
Potassium Cyanide						Wines					
Potassium Cyanide Potassium Hydroxide (Caustic Potash)						Xylene					
Potassium Iodide						Zinc Chloride					
Potassium Nitrate, Acqueous Solution						Zinc Chloride Zinc Sulfate					

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