

# Flange Isolation Catalog

Sealing and Isolating Gaskets Flange Isolation Kits Isolation Sleeves and Washers Specifications and Ordering Guide



# **PSI Isolating Gasket Types**

#### Type "E" Gaskets

Type "E" Gaskets extend to the outside diameter of the flange. They feature precision located bolt holes, to automatically center the gasket, and offer maximum protection against foreign material "shorting-out" the flange. Type "E" gaskets may be ordered in any one of the following configurations: • LineBacker® Sealing Gaskets

- GasketSeal<sup>®</sup> Sealing Gaskets
- Rubber Faced Phenolic Gaskets
- Plain Phenolic Gaskets
- Red Devil Gaskets
- Yellow Jacket Gaskets
- Garlock Gaskets
- Teflon<sup>®</sup> Gaskets

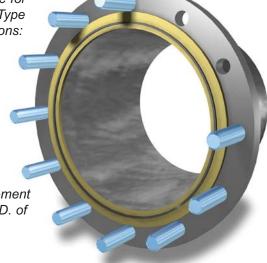
When configured as a LineBacker<sup>®</sup> Sealing Gasket, the sealing element may be positioned anywhere between the I.D. of the gasket and I.D. of the bolt circle.

#### Type "F" Gaskets

Type "F" Gaskets are made to fit within the bolt hole circle of the flange. The O.D. of the gasket extends out to the I.D. of the bolt hole circle for good protection against foreign material "shorting-out" the flange. Type "F" gaskets may be ordered in any one of the following configurations:

- LineBacker® Sealing Gaskets
- GasketSeal<sup>®</sup> Sealing Gaskets
- Rubber Faced Phenolic Gaskets
- Plain Phenolic Gaskets
- Red Devil Gaskets
- Yellow Jacket Gaskets
- Garlock Gaskets
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#### Type "D" Gaskets

Type "D" Gaskets are available for RTJ flanges but the LineBacker<sup>®</sup> Sealing Gasket is an excellent alternative to "D" gaskets because the sealing element may be positioned anywhere between the I.D. of the gasket and I.D. of the ring groove. Inquire about the LineSeal<sup>™</sup> sealing gasket for RTJ flange applications.

# PSI Sealing & Isolating Gaskets - Standard 1/8" Thick\*

#### GasketSeal<sup>®</sup> Sealing Gaskets



GasketSeal<sup>®</sup> sealing gaskets are considered one of the most effective methods for sealing and isolating flanges of all types. The gasket consists of two molded semi "O" rings (with precise crown to void ratio) mounted in grooves on opposite sides of an isolating retainer. While maintaining all the advantages of a full "O" ring seal, the semi "O" ring seal eliminates the need for a sealing groove in the flange face to reduce problems associated with alignment.

GasketSeal<sup>®</sup> gaskets are self energizing with theoretical near zero "m" and "y" factors resulting in effecting a positive seal without excessive bolt loads required with flat gaskets. GasketSeal<sup>®</sup> sealing gaskets are

available in a wide variety of retainer and sealing element combinations for matching gaskets to service and environmental conditions. Refer to the chart for the GasketSeal<sup>®</sup> sealing gasket temperature ranges and material compatibilities.

LineBacker<sup>®</sup> sealing gaskets utilize a patented rectangular sealing element,

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#### After Tightening

#### LineBacker<sup>®</sup> Sealing Gaskets



referred to as a "quad" ring, in combination with a unique groove design to effectively seal and isolate flanges of all types. With the unique "quad" ring design, elastic memory is provided for elastomers not normally associated with this characteristic. Materials such as AFLAS, TFE (Teflon) and KALREZ may therefore be used as sealing elements which dramatically increases the options available for matching gasket materials to service and environmental conditions. This greater variety of materials also provides excellent temperature and chemical range compatibility. LineBacker® sealing gaskets are self energizing with theoretical near zero "m" and "y" factors resulting in effecting a positive seal without excessive bolt loads required with flat gaskets. Refer to chart for LineBacker® sealing gasket temperature range and material compatibilities.

After Tightening

Rubber Faced Phenolic Gaskets



## Flat Gaskets



Rubber Faced Phenolic gaskets have been used as standard "flat" isolating gaskets in the oil and gas industries for many years. Neoprene (Nitrile or EPDM) rubber sheets are factory applied to both sides of a laminated phenolic retainer providing an effective sealing surface.

Note: Due to improved sealing characteristics and retainer/seal element options, LineBacker or GasketSeal sealing gaskets should be considered in lieu of rubber faced phenolic gaskets whenever possible.

Flat gaskets are used in special applications such as elevated temperatures that often require materials such as Red Devil or Yellow Jacket. Please contact a PSI representative for additional information on available options.

\* = Other thicknesses available through special order.



# **Sleeves and Washers**

#### Isolating Sleeves

Isolating sleeves are available in the following materials: • Mylar

- Polyethylene
- Phenolic
- Nomex®
- G-7 Silicon Glass
- G-10 Epoxy Glass
- G-11 Epoxy Glass

Designed to easily fit over standard size flange bolts/studs within standard size bolt holes, PSI isolating sleeves have a wall thickness of 1/32" (0.79mm) and are used with separate isolating and steel washers. They are available for standard American bolt sizes from 1/2" (12.7mm) to 3-1/2" (88.9mm) as well as metric bolt sizes from 12mm and larger.

## Isolating Washers - Standard 1/8" Thick\*

Isolating washers are available in the following materials:

- High Strength Glass Clad Phenolic
- G-3 High Temp. Phenolic
- G-7 Silicon Glass
- G-10 Epoxy Glass
- G-11 Epoxy Glass

Designed to provide tough, positive isolation. PSI isolating washers are available for bolt sizes from 1/2" (12.7mm) through 3-1/2" (88.9mm) and are made to fit over the isolating sleeves.

\* = Other thicknesses available through special order.

#### **Steel Washers**

Steel washers are designed to fit over the isolating sleeve or the retainer ring on the one-piece sleeves and washers. The outside diameter is sized to fit within the bolt facing on ANSI standard flanges. They are made of 1/8" (3.2mm) thick plated hot-rolled steel. Note: 304 stainless steel available for special order.



**Note:** Caution! Bolts with smooth shank portions may not fit within sleeves. Verify prior to ordering.

#### One-piece Sleeves and Washers Molded Acetal 1 PC

Molded from acetal resin and available for bolt diameters

from 1/2" to 1-1/2" (12.7 to 38.1mm), one-piece sleeves and washers are structurally tough but limited to applications where the flange temperature does not exceed +180°F (+80°C) and compressive loads do not exceed 18,000 psi.

They are generally used as single washer sets because they're molded to specific lengths and, in



Molded Acetal Resin

many instances, are longer than the thickness of a single flange. A washer centering ring positions the steel washer on the unit properly to avoid uneven pressures on the washers.

### G-10 1 PC

Completely assembly custom made where ANSI rating exceeds 600#, operating temperatures up to 300°F (+149°C) and can handle compressive loads of 50,000 psi.

One - 1/8" thick steel washer

- One 1/8" thick G-10 washer
- One G-10 Isolating Sleeve





**Custom Fabricated:** G-10 One-Piece Completely Assembled - No Loose Parts. For pipe diameters over 24" or ANSI Class pressure ratings of 600# or greater, use G-10 sleeves and G-10 washers where temperatures and other conditions permit.

## **Sleeve Material Physical Properties**

| ASTM | Test Method                                   | Poly-<br>ethylene | <b>Mylar</b>              | Nomex       | Phenolic    | G-7*<br>Silicone<br>Glass | G-10<br>Epoxy<br>Glass | G-11<br>Epoxy<br>Glass | One-piece<br>Molded<br>Acetal |
|------|---|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| D149 | Dielectric Strength<br>Volts/Mil (Short Time) | 400               | 4000                      | 400         | 400         | 350                       | 400                    | 400                    | 1,200                         |
| D695 | Compressive Strength psi                      | N/A               | N/A                       | N/A         | N/A         | N/A                       | N/A                    | N/A                    | 18,000                        |
| D229 | Water Absorption<br>%                         | 0.01              | <mark>0.8</mark>          | N/A         | 1.6         | 0.10                      | 0.10                   | 0.10                   | 0.22                          |
|      | Operating Temp.<br>°F                         | -30 to +180       | <mark>-75 to +300</mark>  | -65 to +450 | -20 to +225 | Cryogenic<br>to +450      | Cryogenic<br>to +280   | Cryogenic<br>to +320   | -30 to +180                   |
|      | °C  | -34 to +82        | - <mark>59 to +149</mark> | -54 to +232 | -29 to +107 | Cryogenic<br>to +232      | Cryogenic<br>to +138   | Cryogenic<br>to +160   | -34 to +82                    |
| D790 | Flexural Strength<br>psi                      | 7,000             | 13,000                    | 20,000      | 16,000      | 20,000                    | 55,000                 | 55,000                 | 1,400                         |
|      | Cut Through Resistand<br>ft-lbs.              | ce 1,800          | <mark>3,500</mark>        | 4,000       | No Test     | No Test                   | 16,000                 | No Test                | 3,400                         |

\* = G-7 material should not be used with hydrocarbons, not even trace amounts.

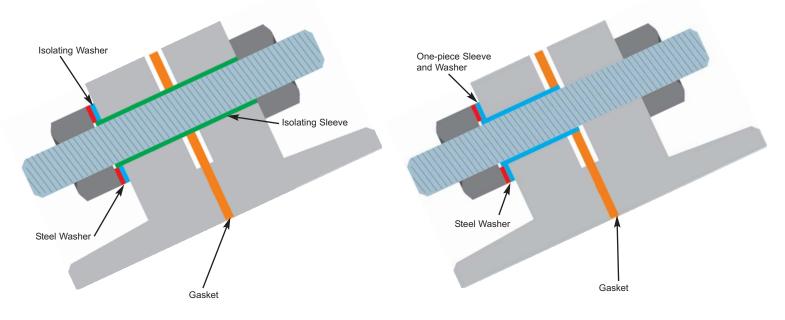
## 1/8" Washer Material Physical Properties

| ASTM Test Method |   | Glass Clad<br>Phenolic | G-3 Hi-Temp<br>Phenolic<br>Glass | G-7*<br>Silicone<br>Glass | G-10<br>Epoxy<br>Glass | G-11<br>Epoxy<br>Glass | One-piece<br>Molded<br>Acetal |
|------------------|---|------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| D149             | Dielectric Strength<br>Volts/Mil (Short Time) | 500                    | 550                              | 350-400                   | <mark>550</mark>       | 550                    | 1,200                         |
| D695             | Compressive Strength                          | 33,000                 | 50,000                           | 40,000                    | <mark>50,000</mark>    | 50 - 80,000            | 18,000                        |
| D229             | Water Absorption %                            | 1.6                    | 0.7                              | 0.07                      | <mark>0.10</mark>      | 0.10                   | 0.22                          |
|                  | Operating Temp<br>°F                          | -65 to +300            | -65 to +392                      | Cryogenic<br>to +450      | Cryogenic<br>to +280   | Cryogenic<br>to +350   | -30 to +180                   |
|                  | °C  | -54 to +149            | -54 to +200                      | Cryogenic<br>to +232      | Cryogenic<br>to +138   | Cryogenic<br>to +177   | -34 to +82                    |

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# Full length sleeve, single washer set configuration

#### One-piece sleeve & washer configuration



# Flange Isolation Kits

#### Flange Isolation Kits

Flange isolation kits are available for all flange sizes, types, pressure ratings and materials. Each kit is individually and securely packed in a reinforced corrugated cardboard box, which is clearly labeled as to its contents for convenience in warehousing and field use. Very large diameter gaskets are packaged separately from the sleeves and washers for convenience in storing and handling.

Each gasket is labeled with:

Materials (Retainer Material or Retainer/Seal)
 Element Combination)

- Pipe Size
- ANSI Class
- Date of Manufacture
- Type Flange (Weld Neck or Slip-on)
- Installation Procedure
- Torque Values

#### **Sleeves and Washers**

Sleeves and washers are enclosed in a strong polyethylene bag to eliminate any possibility of loss. A chart showing the recommended sequence for tightening flange bolts is also included with each kit, as well as with each individual gasket.



#### Common LineBacker<sup>®</sup> & GasketSeal<sup>®</sup> Sealing Gasket Physical Properties

| ASTM | Test Method                                   | Plain<br>Phenolic | Rubber<br>Faced<br>Phenolic | G-3 Hi-Temp<br>Phenolic<br>Glass | G-7*<br>Silicone<br>Glass | <mark>G-10</mark><br>Epoxy<br>Glass | G-11<br>Epoxy<br>Glass |
|------|---|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| D149 | Dielectric Strength<br>Volts/Mil (Short Time) | 500               | 500                         | 550                              | 350-400                   | 550                                 | 550                    |
| D695 | Compressive Strength (psi)                    | 25,000            | 25,000                      | 50,000                           | 40,000                    | <mark>50,000</mark>                 | 50,000+                |
| D229 | Water Absorption (%)                          | 1.6               | 1.6                         | 0.7                              | 0.07                      | <mark>0.10</mark>                   | 0.10                   |
| D257 | Insulation Resistance<br>Meg Ohms             | 40,000            | 40,000                      | 46,000                           | 2,500                     | 200,000                             | 200,000                |
| D790 | Flexural Strength<br>(psi)                    | 22,500            | 22,500                      | 60,000                           | 27,000                    | <mark>60,000</mark>                 | 75,000+                |
| D785 | Hardness<br>Rockwell "M"                      | 85                | 85                          | 115                              | 105                       | <mark>115</mark>                    | 115                    |
| D256 | IZOD Impact Strength<br>(Ft-Lbs/Inch)         | 1.2               | 1.2                         | 12.0                             | 8.0                       | <mark>14.0</mark>                   | 12.0                   |
| D638 | Tensile Strength<br>(psi)                     | 20,000            | 20,000                      | 42,000                           | 25,000                    | <mark>45,000</mark>                 | 43,000                 |
| D732 | Shear Strength<br>(psi)                       | 10,000            | 10,000                      | 18,000                           | 20,000                    | 22,000                              | 22,000                 |
|      | Temperature Range<br>(Degrees F)              | -65 to +220       | -65 to +175                 | -65 to +392                      | Cryogenic<br>to +450      | Cryogenic<br>to +280                | Cryogenic<br>to +349   |
|      | Temperature Range<br>(Degrees C)              | -54 to +104       | -54 to +79                  | -54 to +200                      | Cryogenic<br>to +232      | Cryogenic<br>to 138                 | Cryogenic<br>to +176   |

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#### Seal Element Temperature Limits

|                    | Nitrile     | Viton       | Teflon            | Neoprene    | EPDM        |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Degrees Fahrenheit | -40 to +250 | -20 to +350 | Cryogenic to +450 | -40 to +175 | -65 to +300 |
| Degrees Celsius    | -40 to +121 | -29 to +177 | Cryogenic to +232 | -40 to +79  | -54 to +149 |

Consider **both** retainer and seal element temperature limits together for GasketSeal<sup>®</sup> and LineBacker<sup>®</sup> Sealing Gaskets.

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#### Single Washer Set

Single washer set flange isolation kits include the following items for each bolt:

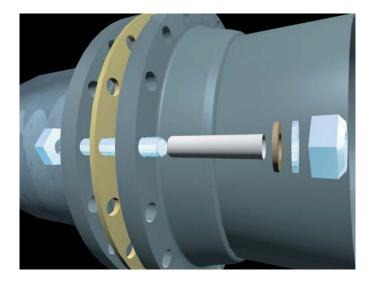
One - 1/8" thick steel washer

One - Isolating washer

One - Isolating sleeve

#### **Application Considerations**

In buried applications, single washer configurations may be used to allow the Cathodic Protection (CP) current to reach the nuts and bolts. If desired, nuts on the opposite side of the cathodically protected flange may be included as part of the CP system.



#### **Double Washer Set**

Double washer set flange isolation kits include the following components for each bolt:

Two - 1/8" thick steel washers

Two - Isolating washers

One - Full length isolating sleeve

Application Considerations

Double washer configurations may be used for added protection against the possibility of "shorting out" the nuts and bolts. In addition, double washer sets electrically isolate the nuts and bolts from both flanges.

#### **One-Piece Sleeve and Washer Sets**

One-piece sleeve and washer set flange isolation kits include the following items for each bolt:

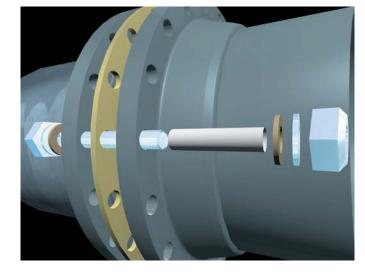
Two - 1/8" thick steel washers

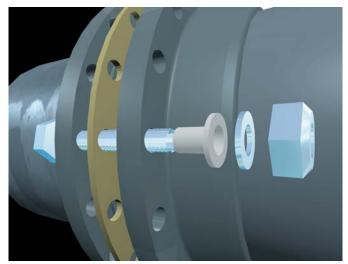
One - One-piece Isolating sleeve

#### **Application Considerations**

Easier to install, one-piece sleeves also allow the inspector a visual indication of sleeve usage. Due to the relatively low compressive strength of this material, its use is not recommended for high pressure or large diameter flanges that require high torque loads.

**Note:** G-10 One-Piece sleeve/washer assembly available for additional strength and convenience. See page 6 photo.





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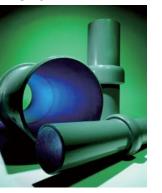
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