

PISTON RINGS AND GUIDE BEARINGS

In order to guarantee best performances to the compressors, piston rings and bearing guides made up of various PTFE compounds are largely used, replacing traditional materials like cast iron, graphite and stratified structured materials.

Pure PTFE chemical inertness makes this material suitable for all the applications where high chemical resistance is required in presence of almost technical gases and fluids.

Exemptions exist in presence of alkaline metals in the molten state, fluorides and fluoridric acid in the gaseous state, and some fluorocarbons at high temperatures and pressures.

PTFE piston rings and guide bearings can be used at temperatures up to 260 °C, depending on the system pressure and piston speed this temperature limit value should be lowered. In order to improve wear resistance and to rise the working temperature limit, DuPont™Vespel®SP21 is also used to manufacture floating rings, piston rings and guide bearings. Fluorten manufactures also components in natural and filled VICTREX™PEEK for inlet and outlet valves.

Application field of piston rings and guide bearings

- Dry compressors
- Reduced lubrication compressors
- Refrigeration units
- Expansion units
- Pumps for the chemical industry
- Pumps for liquefied gases at low temperature



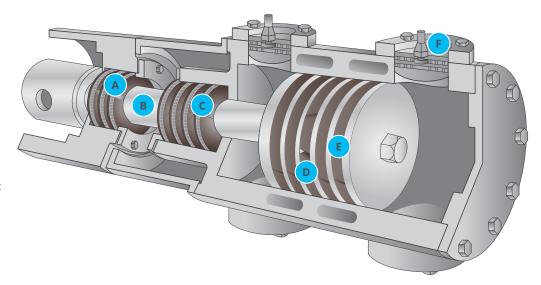


C Floating rings

D Guide bearing

E Piston ring

F Valve - inlet or outlet



	PROPERTY	Density	Tensile strenght	Elongation	Hardness	Max. operating temp.
TYPICAL VALUES	STANDARD	ASTM D 792	ASTM D 4894	ASTM D 4894	ASTM D 2240	/
	UNITS	g/cm³	Мра	%	Shore D	°C
	F10-42	2.05	14	50	67	+250
	F10-43	3.80	18	140	67	+250
	F10-53	2.27	16	100	65	+250
	F10-15 (NAT PEEK)	1.30	**90	**88	*94	+240
	F10-34 (PEEK GL)	1.49	**90	**2	*100	+240
	F10-16 (PEEK CA)	1.40	**200	**2	*107	+240
	DUPONT™ VESPEL® SP21	1.42	**62	**5.5	80	+300

F10-XX Material Norsok M-710 ED.3 and API 6A approved available on demand.

PTFE and TECHNOPOLYMERS special formulations available on demand. For any further information please contact our technical office.

*Rockwell Hardness scale M in compliance with Standard ASTM D785.

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Slipper rings FLUOR-S/SC tapes



Compressors bearings and seals















^{**}Ultimate tensile strength and Ultimate elongation in compliance with Standard ISO 527.