

SIGRAFLEX® HOCHDRUCK

Multilayer high-strength sealing sheet made from natural graphite with stainless steel foil reinforcement for extreme conditions

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SIGRAFLEX HOCHDRUCK is a multilayer high-strength graphite sealing sheet comprising 0.5 mm thick layers of high-purity graphite foil and 0.05 mm thick stainless steel foils.

Depending on the sheet thickness required, several layers of graphite and stainless steel foil are joined together in a special adhesive-free process. As a result, the sheets have outstanding mechanical properties. The sealing sheet is impregnated to reduce leakage and improve handling.

SIGRAFLEX HOCHDRUCK allows end users in the proces industry to cover almost their entire gasket requirements with a reliable and safe product.



Applications

- For difficult and mechanically highly stressed sealed joints (in tongue-and-groove and flanges with special dimensions, process equipment, heat exchangers, etc.); also suitable for all common pipework and vessel flange designs
- For one-piece gasket designs up to an outside diameter of 1500 mm; for diameters above 1500 mm, for example two-layer structures with segmented sections and staggered joints are recommended
- For operating pressures from vacuum up to 250 bar
- For corrosive media
- Operating temperatures range from 250 °C up to 550 °C depending on chemical resistance. Life time might be limited at high temperatures. Consult the manufacturer when application temperatures exceed 450 °C. Please refer to our technical guideline regarding thermal stability.
- Chemical, petrochemical, refinery and nuclear industries
- Steam pipework and boilers in power generation plants
- Heat transfer oils and heating equipment
- Inspection glasses, pumps, fittings and valves
- Existing plants

Properties

- Reduction in fugitive emissions due to high leak-tightness
- Outstanding maximum permissible gasket stress
- High operational reliability, increased plant availability
- Excellent oxidation resistance
- Very high blow-out resistance and mechanical strength
- Very high fault tolerance during assembly and operation
- Good chemical resistance
- Long-term stability of compressibility and recovery, even under fluctuating temperatures
- Good scratch resistance and antistick properties due to special impregnation
- No measurable cold or warm flow characteristics up to the maximum permissible gasket stress
- No aging or embrittlement (no adhesives or binders)
- Ease of processing
- Asbestos-free (no associated health risks)

Typical maximum permissible gasket stress of SIGRAFLEX HOCHDRUCK at 20 °C



Typical maximum permissible gasket stress of SIGRAFLEX HOCHDRUCK at 300 °C



Compressibility of SIGRAFLEX HOCHDRUCK



Approvals/Test reports

Please see www.sigraflex.com/downloads for details

- TA Luft (VDI 2440/VDI 2200) with inner eyelets in various designs; for tongue and groove flanges without eyelets
- Fire safe according to BS 6755-2 and API 607
- Blow-out resistance (TÜV at 2.5 times the nominal pressure)
- BAM oxygen
- BAM ethylene oxide/propylene oxide
- Germanischer Lloyd
- US Coastguard
- DVGW (DIN 3535-6)
- TRD 401
- Evaluation for compliance with food Legislation requirements (TÜV Rheinland)
- Hot Relaxation Tightness (HORT)

Assembly instructions

Our detailed assembly instructions are available on request.

Material data of SIGRAFLEX® HOCHDRUCK

Typical properties		Units	V10011Z3I	V15011Z3I	V20011Z3I	V30011Z3I	V40011Z3I
Thickness		mm	1.0	1.5	2.0	3.0	4.0
Dimensions		m	1.5 x 1.5 1.0 x 1.0	1.5 x 1.5 1.0 x 1.0	1.5 x 1.5 1.0 x 1.0	1.5 x 1.5 1.0 x 1.0	1.5 x 1.5 1.0 x 1.0
Bulk density of graphite		g/cm ³	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Ash content of graphite (DIN 51903)			≤ 0.15	≤ 0.15	≤ 0.15	≤ 0.15	≤ 0.15
Purity		%	≥ 99.85	≥ 99.85	≥ 99.85	≥99.85	≥99.85
Total chloride content		ppm	≤ 10	≤ 10	≤ 10	≤ 10	≤ 10
Total halogen content		ppm	≤ 40	≤ 40	≤ 40	≤ 40	≤ 40
Total sulphur content		ppm	< 300	< 300	< 300	< 300	< 300
Oxidation rate in air at 670 °C (TGA)		%/h	< 4	< 4	< 4	< 4	< 4
Oxidation inhibitor			yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Passive corrosion inhibitor (ASTM F 2168-13)			yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Reinforcing steel sheet details			Smooth stainless steel foil				
ASTM material number			316 (L)	316 (L)	316 (L)	316 (L)	316 (L)
	Thickness	mm	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
	Number of sheets		1	2	3	5	7
Residual stress (DIN 52913)	$\sigma_{\rm D16h,300^\circ C,50N/mm^2}$	N/mm²	≥ 48	≥ 48	≥ 48	≥48	≥48
Gasket factors (DIN E 2505/DII	N 28090-1]						
Gasket width $b_D = 20 \text{ mm}$ at an internal pressure of							
$\sigma_{ ext{VU/0,1}}$	10 bar	N/mm²	10	10	10	12	14
	16 bar	N/mm²	10	12	14	17	18
	25 bar	N/mm²	10	14	16	20	22
	40 bar	N/mm²	13	16	18	25	28
m			1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
$\sigma_{ m VO}$		N/mm²	305	290	270	240	200
$\sigma_{ extsf{B0 at 300 °C}}$		N/mm²	250	230	210	180	160
Gasket factors (DIN EN 13555)				see www.gasketdata.org			
Compression factors (DIN 2809)	0-2]						
Compressibility	€ _{KSW}	%	35	35	35	35	35
Recovery at 20 °C	$\epsilon_{ m KRW}$	%	5	5	5	5	5
Hot creep	€ wsw	%	< 3	< 3	< 3	< 3	< 3
Recovery at 300 °C	€ _{WRW}	%	4	4	4	4	4
Young's modulus at 20 N/mm² (DIN 28090-1)		N/mm²	750	750	750	750	750
ASTM	"m"-factor		2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
	"y"-factor	psi	3000	3000	3000	3000	3000
Compressibility (ASTM F36)		%	35	35	35	35	35
Recovery (ASTM F36)		%	15	15	15	15	15
The gasket factor conversion formulas as per AD Merkblatt B7 are as follows			$k_{0} \times K_{D} = \sigma_{VU} \times b_{D}$ $k_{1} = m \times b_{D}$				
Definitions							

Minimum gasket assembly stress needed to comply with leakage $\sigma_{\text{VU/0,1}}$ class L 0.1 (according to DIN 28090-1) Recommended gasket assembly stress: \geq 20 N/mm² up to σ_{B0} Minimum gasket assembly stress in service, where σ_{BU} is the product σ_{BU} of internal pressure pi and gasket factor m for test and in service $[\sigma_{BU} = p_i \times m]$ Maximum permissible gasket stress at 20 °C σ_{VO} Maximum permissible gasket stress in service $\sigma_{ ext{BO} ext{ at } 300^{\circ} ext{C}}$ m = $\sigma_{\rm BU}/p_{\rm i}$ m "m"-factor Similar to m, but defined acc. to ASTM, hence different value "y"-factor Minimum gasket stress in psi

- k₁ in mm, factor for gasket stress in service
- K_{D} in N/mm², max. gasket stress-bearing capacity under assembly conditions
- $\epsilon_{\text{KSW}} \qquad \text{Compression set under a gasket stress of 35 N/mm^2}$
- $\epsilon_{\mbox{\tiny KRW}}$ Gasket recovery after reduction in gasket stress from 35 $\mbox{\it N/mm}^2$ to 1 $\mbox{\it N/mm}^2$
- $\epsilon_{\mbox{\tiny WSW}}$ Gasket creep compression under a gasket stress of 50 $\mbox{N/mm}^2$ at 300 °C after 16 h
- $\epsilon_{\mbox{\tiny WRW}}$ Recovery after reduction in gasket stress from 50 N/mm² to 1 N/mm²

The percentage changes in thickness of $\epsilon_{\text{KSW}}, \epsilon_{\text{KRW}}, \epsilon_{\text{WSW}}$ und ϵ_{WRW} are relative to the initial thickness.

k_0 in mm, factor for gasket assembly stress

Product overview

Products	Characteristics	Recommended applications			
SIGRAFLEX FOIL F/C/E/Z/APX/APX2	Flexible, continuous	– 250 °C to approx. 550 °C, for die-formed packing rings, spiral-wound and kammprofile gaskets			
SIGRAFLEX STANDARD LCI	Unreinforced, impregnated	Raised-face flanges, enamel or glass flanges, highly corrosive media			
SIGRAFLEX ECONOMY VC4	Reinforced with bonded stainless steel foil	Pumps, fittings, gas supply and waste gas pipelines			
SIGRAFLEX UNIVERSAL VC2I	Reinforced with tanged stainless steel, impregnated	Pipework and vessels in the chemical and petrochemical industries and in power generation plants			
SIGRAFLEX UNIVERSAL PRO VC2IP	Reinforced with tanged stainless steel, impregnated	TA Luft applications, for pipework and vessels in the chemical and petrochemical industries and in power generation plants			
SIGRAFLEX SELECT V16010C3I	Reinforced with stainless steel foil, adhesive-free, impregnated	TA Luft applications, raised-face flanges, pipework in the chemical and petrochemical industries			
SIGRAFLEX HOCHDRUCK VZ3I	Multilayer material, reinforced with stainless steel foil, adhesive-free, impregnated	Universal sealing sheet, also for solving sealing problems in pipework, process equipment, tongue-and-groove flanges and non-standard joints in the chemical, petrochemical and nuclear industries and in power generation plants			
SIGRAFLEX HOCHDRUCK PRO VZ3IP	Multilayer material, reinforced with stainless steel foil, adhesive-free, impregnated	Universal sealing sheet for TA Luft applications, also for solving sealing problems in pipework, process equipment, tongue-and- groove flanges and non-standard joints in the chemical, petrochemical and nuclear industries and in power generation plants			
SIGRAFLEX APX2 HOCHDRUCK Multilayer material, VW3 reinforced with stainless steel foil, adhesive-free		Universal sealing sheet, also for solving sealing problems in high temperature applications in pipework, process equipment, tongue-and-groove flanges and non-standard joints in the chemical and petrochemical industries and in power generation plants			
SIGRAFLEX MF VMF	Adhesive-free laminate made of graphite, stainless steel and PTFE	Maximum requirements for sealability (TA Luft), safety and process hygiene; sealed joints in the chemical, petrochemical, pharmaceutical and food industries			
SIGRAFLEX EMAIL VZ3E	Reinforced with stainless steel foil. adhesive-free	PTFE-envelope gaskets for enameled pipework, vessels and stub connections, etc.			



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