KLINGER MAXIFLEX
Spiral Wound Gaskets

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Maxiflex spiral wound gaskets have the ability to recover under the action of fluctuating loads caused by process fluid pressure and temperature changes, flange face temperature variations, flange rotation, bolt stress relaxation and creep.

The gasket sealing element consists of a pre-formed metallic winding strip with layers of a softer, more compressible sealing material which, during compression, is densified and flows to fill imperfections in the flange surfaces. The metal strip holds the filler giving the gasket mechanical resistance and resilience.

**Product Advantages**

Maxiflex spiral wound gaskets combine the ease of sealing a graphite, PTFE or mica filler with the strength afforded by a specially profiled metallic, spring-like reinforcement. The sealing element is manufactured by interleaving plies of alternating metallic winding strip and filler to create a gasket that is robust and easy to install. Maxiflex spiral wound gaskets create a very tight and reliable seal suitable for high temperature and pressures and can be manufactured to suit standard flanges and also custom-designed vessels.

Maxiflex gaskets are capable of giving an excellent seal over a wide range of flange surface finishes, but as a general guide we suggest under general duties, a flange surface finish of 125-248µin. (3.2-6.4 µm).

**Maxiflex Spiral Wound Gasket Construction**

Above is the “Maxiflex” spiral wound gasket’s basic sealing element. Several layers of specially formed continuous chevron-shaped metal strips are spirally wound with alternate plies of soft filler strip.

The chevron profile allows the gasket to act as a spring and the depth is carefully controlled to give the sealing element the best compression and recovery characteristics. Maxiflex spiral wound gaskets are manufactured to specifications of ASME B16.20.

Computer controlled winding machines carefully monitor and adjust the tension of the winding strips. A uniform density throughout the product is produced. This provides the spring-like action within the gasket that resists buckling and maintains a seal even when subject to fluctuating compressive loads.

**Maxiflex Thickness After Installation**

Spiral wound gaskets are manufactured in a number of standard thicknesses which are designed to compress to a specific thickness to attain the best sealing performance and adaptation to the flanges. The thickness is measured to the metallic windings not to the filler.

Example:
KLINGER Maxiflex spiral wound gaskets are available in a range of configurations and materials. Below are the most common gasket types:

**Type CR**
- Solid metal outer ring used as a centering device and compression stop
- Used mainly on raised face and flat face flanges
- Wide choice of material for filler and metallic strip
- General duties

**Type CRIR**
- Solid metal inner and outer rings
- Suitable for high pressure and high temperature applications
- Standard spiral wound gasket for raised face or flat flanges
- Prevents turbulence and erosion damage to flange
- Prevents damage to the gasket bore and inner windings
- Inner ring acts as a heat shield and a corrosion barrier
- Wide choice of material for filler and metallic strip
- General and critical duties

**Type R**
- Wide choice of materials for filler and metallic strip
- Suitable for high pressure and high temperature applications
- Recommended flanges: tongue and groove, male to female and flat face to recess in vessels, valves and pumps
- General and critical duties

**Type HTX**
- A combination of inner and outer rings
- The inner ring could have pass bars or carry either a metal clad or soft gasket with pass bars
- Manufactured to customer designs
- Wide choice of materials for filler and metallic strip
- Manufactured with thin outer windings to create stable, large diameter gaskets for narrow heat exchanger application
- For heat exchanger applications

**Type RIR**
- Covered with 0.5mm Graflex
- Used on manhole covers
- Low bolt load applications
- Uneven sealing faces
- Double integrity seal

**Type R Graflex Faced**
- Solid metal inner ring
- High pressure and high temperature capability
- Male to female flanges in vessels, valves and pumps
- Wide choice of materials for filler and metallic strip
- General and critical duties
KLINGER Maxiflex spiral wound gaskets can be manufactured from a wide range of metals to resist against chemical attack and temperature related degradation and used in combination with either graphite, PTFE or mica filler in accordance with ASME B16.20. Gaskets are color coded to help expedite the selection and identification of the gaskets. The filler material is indicated with a color stripe on the OD. The color on the entire outer edge of the OD indicates the winding material.

Please note: The temperatures given are for guidance only and do not apply in all fluids. Please contact Thermoseal’s customer service department for advice.

KLINGER Maxiflex spiral wound gasket dimensions available in accordance with ASME B16.20 used with ASME B16.5 or ASME B16.47 flanges. DIN, BS10, and JIS standards are available upon request. Custom special gaskets are also available upon request.

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When ordering, please specify: Gasket Style, Nominal Pipe Size, Pressure Class, Gasket Standard, Outer Ring Material/Winding Material/Filler Material/Inner Ring Material

Example: CRIR 2” 150# B16.20 CS/316L/GRA/316L

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