

Glass-Filled Polytetrafluoroethylene (GL-20)

GL-20 is recommended for extreme service conditions and for dry, vacuum services. **GL-20** has excellent wear and extrusion resistance with low outgassing.

Because this material is highly abrasive, metal surfaces in contact with a seal made from **GL-20** should have a hardness of Rc 50 or higher.

GL-20 is recommended for applications that require good wear resistance in liquids and humid conditions at temperatures from -320 °F to +475 °F (-196 °C to +246 °C).

Chemical Compatibility

GL-20 has excellent chemical compatibility. This material is compatible with most fluids and gases, but it is not recommended for use with alkali metals, hydrogen fluoride, lithium, potassium, sodium and fluorine at elevated temperatures. (For more compatibility information, request report TR-60A, or go to www.balseal.com/techlib. Select Technical Reports, then select TR-60A Chemical Compatibility Guide)

FDA Compliance

GL-20 is not FDA compliant. (Request Research Report 50-640 for Bal Seal's definition of FDA compliant).

Mechanical Properties

The mechanical properties of **GL-20** at ambient temperatures are:

Tensile strength ASTM D638 3000 psi (211 kg/cm 2)

Elongation ASTM D638 160%

The following chart shows the wear rate of **GL-20** when it comes in contact with different media at various speeds and pressures.

"K" Wear Factor In³-min./ft-lb-hr x 10 ⁻¹⁰ ("K" Cm³-min./Kg-m-hr x 10 ⁻⁷)				
AIR	WATER		OIL	
Wear Rate at 50,000 P.V.	Wear Rate at 100,000 P.V.		Wear Rate at 100,000 P.V.	
Speed (75 FPM) – pressure (667 PSI)	Speed (100 FPM) – pressure (1000 PSI)	Speed (1000 FPM) – pressure (100 PSI)	Speed (100 FPM) – pressure (1000 PSI)	Speed (1000 FPM) – pressure (100 PSI)
Testing in Process	Testing in Process	Testing in Process	Testing in Process	Testing in Process

Color

White

Cost

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Advantages of GL-20

- Excellent extrusion resistance
- Excellent wear resistance
- Improved creep resistance
- Improved stability at high temperatures and high pressure

Other Information

For additional information, please contact our Technical Sales Representative at (949) 460-2100. Bal Seal maintains a vast library of material references and testing information.

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