



Solutions for Rotary Applications

Custom-engineered High performance PTFE rotary lip seals

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Bal Seal Engineering is an industry leader providing custom-engineered sealing, connecting, conducting and shielding solutions to OEM product designers.

Our engineers work closely with customers to provide valuable, innovative product designs.

Whether you're looking for spring-energized PTFE seals, rotary lip seals, EMI shielding gaskets, electrical spring contacts or mechanical couplings, our spring and sealing solutions offer enhanced functionality, simplified designs and improved longevity for reduced downtime.

Bal Seal sealing solutions meet your unique reciprocating, rotating and static application needs. We can also offer your designers customized parts to meet demanding needs for applications requiring superior sealing performance in high vacuum pressures from 1 x 10–6 Torr, extreme high pressures up to 100,000 psi, or cryogenic temperatures from 4° K to 600° F with varying speed and pressure combinations (up to 1 million PV). Our dedicated engineering and prototype departments work in tandem to provide complete solutions for your needs, and designs and prototype parts can be supplied in a timely manner. To provide complete solutions, we can even include cartridge or housing/piston assemblies when necessary. And our seals are typically made from proprietary materials formulated and processed internally for complete guality control.



Bal Seal also offers a full line of unique and patented Canted-coil™ spring proucts for various applications in electrical-mechanical couplings and connecting devices. Our springs are fabricated from wire sizes of 0.002" to 0.080" and from coil sizes of 0.020" to 1.0". Production materials include stainless steel (302 and 316), high nickel alloys (such as MP35N®, Hastelloy®, and Inconel®), Beryllium Copper, Zirconium Copper and Titanium. Our custom spring products can be designed to provide specific insertion and removal forces, the proper housing groove and spring combination, and various electrical properties to simplify designs and solve conductivity issues.

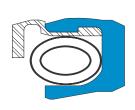
Bal Seal is a complete solutions provider. We not only offer spring and sealing solutions, but also offer design assistance, plastic and metal fabrication and component sub-assembly to provide you with a one-stop design engineering and production facility. So whether you're trying to protect sophisticated electronic computing and communications equipment from RF interference, connect implantable medical devices or carry high current in switchgear, Bal Seal has the right solution for you. Call us today to discuss your specific requirements.

DESIGN FEATURES

Rotary Bal Seal® designs have notable performance-boosting features:

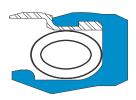
- Patented Canted-coil[™] technology that provides positive, constant-force seal energizing
- Unique locking ring designs that securely retain seals through temperature cycling and pressure environments while providing ease of installation
- Exclusive seal jacket configurations that are optimized to provide best sealing and life performance

SEAL TYPES WITH METAL LOCKING RINGS



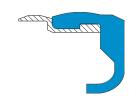
KSS/KS Series

- Locking ring retention
- Canted-coil spring energizing
- Reduced lip length for optimum sealing loads
- Medium speeds and pressures



K31/KF31 Series

- Locking ring retention
- Canted-coil spring energizing
- Full lip for increased versatility of assembly
- Medium speeds and pressures



KP/KPF Series

- Locking ring retention
- Memory lip energizing
- High speeds and very low pressures



OTHER ROTARY SEAL TYPES



RS31 Series

- Flange mounted retention
- Canted-coil spring energizing
- Reduced lip length for optimum sealing loads
- Medium speeds and pressures



71 Series

- '0' Ring retention
- Canted-coil spring energizing
- Reduced lip length for optimum sealing loads
- Low speeds and pressures



S31 Series

- Press-in mounting
- Canted-coil spring energizing
- Reduced lip length for optimum sealing loads
- Very low speeds and pressures



PB Series

- Press-in mounting
- Memory lip energizing
- Medium speeds and very low pressures

Rotary Bal Seal Selection Guide

Seal Type	Series	Standard	Seal Inside			ting Condition	S	
	Code**	Seal Cross Sections Available	Diameter Available	Pressure Uncaptivated Seal Gland	Captivated Seal Gland	Temperature Range	Surface Speed	Features and Benefits
		Inch	Inch	(Kg/Cm2)	(Kg/Cm2)	°F (°C)	Ft/Min (M/Sec.)	
	KSSx (50-621)	From 0.063 thru 0.125	From 0.125 to 1.000	Pressure* Differential From 15 (1)	Vacuum to 3000 (211)	Continuous -65° to +350° (-54° to +177°) Intermittent to +550°	to 3000 (15)	Low insertion forceAutoclavableBest Sealing at high
	KSx (50-403)	From 0.125 thru 0.500	From 1.000 to 34.00			(+288)		temperature • Longest seal life
	K31x (50-389)	From 0.031 thru 0.125	From 0.063 to 1.000				to 2000 (10)	
	KF31x (50-389)	From 0.125 thru 0.500	From 1.000 to 34.00	+	↓			
	KPx (50-416)	From 0.031 thru 0.188	From 0.063 to 1.000	From 7 (0.5)	to 15 (1)		to 7500 (38)	 Low friction Long life Good sealing High Temperature
	KPFx (50-416)	From 0.094 thru 0.500	From 1.000 to 14.00	\	↓			
	RS31x (50-615)	From 0.031 thru 0.500	From 0.063 to 75.00	Not applicable	Vacuum to 3000 (211)		to 3000 (15)	Better sealing Lower cost Requires retaining
	S31X (50-611)	From 0.016 thru 0.500	From 0.020 to 12.00	Not Recommended	to 25 (1.8)	Continuous -20° to +200° (-29° to +93°) Intermittent	to 250 (1.3)	
	71x (50-551)	From 0.063 thru 0.500	From 0.063 to 14.00		Vacuum to 60 (4)	to +250° (+121°)	to 750 (4)	Moderate cost Good sealing
	PBx (50-599)	From 0.063 thru 0.500	From 0.063 to 14.00		to 15 (1)		to 1000 (5)	Compatibility with most fluid Lowest cost Low friction

^(*) Pressure differential varies depending on seal diameter and cross section. The larger the diameter and cross section the lower the pressure differential. Consult technical sales for assistance.

(*) 'x' indicates the seal series cross section. Where: 1=1/32 (0.031"); 0=1/16 (0.062"); 4=3/32 (0.094") 5=1/8 (0.125"), 6=3/16 (0.188"), 7=1/4 (0.250"), 8=3/8 (0.375"), 9=1/2 (0.500").

(1) The selection guide listed above represents a small portion of the many rotary seal solutions that we offer. Consult our technical sales for prompt design proposals and assistance.

(2) Values of pressure, temperature and surface speed represent the maximum independent operating conditions, such maximum values should not be combined with each other.

(3) For sizes larger than 1.000 inch, a backup ring may be required.

Typical Materials for Rotary Bal Seals

SEAL MATERIALS Code and Descriptions	Temperat (°F)	ure Range (°C)	Wear Resistance	FDA Compatibility	Chemical Compatibility
GFP55 GRAPHITE FIBER REINFORCED PTFE Severe service conditions. Excellent performance in applications with high pressure, low speed and high temperature. Color=Black.	-320 to +500	-196 to +260	Very High	No	Very Good
SP45 POLYMER-FILLED PTFE General service applications. Good wear resistance in liquids. Low abrasion to dynamic mating surfaces. Suitable for high speed, low pressure. Color=Light Brown.	-450 to +500	-268 to +260	Very High	Yes	Good
SP50 POLYMER-PTFE BLEND General service applications. Excellent wear resistance in gases, air and vacuum. Limited wear resistance in water. Low abrasion to dynamic surfaces. Suitable for high speed low pressure. Color=Gray.	-450 to +500	-268 to +260	Very High	Yes	Good
UPC10 POLYETHYLENE BLEND Commercial grade. Aqueous service. Excellent wear resistance at low temperatures. High extrusion resistance, but high friction. FDA compliant¹. Color = White/Translucent	-450 to +180	-268 to +82	Highest (Water-only)	Yes	Very Good
T VIRGIN PTFE Very light duty service. Low friction. Excellent chemical compatibility. FDA approved. Low wear resistance. Low cost. Color=White.	-320 to +350	-196 to +177	Lowest	Yes	Excellent
P41 HIGH PERFORMANCE POLYMER Suitable for sealing adhesives, viscous, abrasive materials where scraping action is required. Limited surface speed. Color=Beige.	-70 to +550	-57 to +288	Highest	Yes	Good

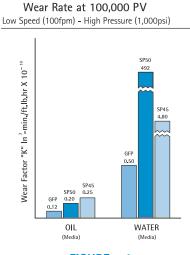
Other seal materials are available to meet special conditions and design requirements.

SPRING MATERIALS	LOCKING RING MATERIALS
302, 316, 316L Stainless Steel, Hastelloy®, Inconel® and others.	303, 304, 316, 316L Stainless Steel, Aluminum, Mild Steel and others.

Material Wear Factor

The wear factor "K" of the material is an important consideration in material selection. Various wear factors are shown to aid in seal material selection. The wear is affected substantially by the media in which it is used.

WEAR FACTOR 'K' FOR VARIOUS PTFE BAL SEAL® MATERIALS IN OIL, WATER AND AIR



^{*} Maximum recommended PV value is air is 50,000 (50-439)

¹ Material has received an FDA approval.



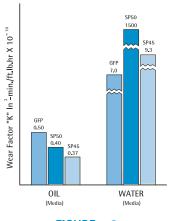
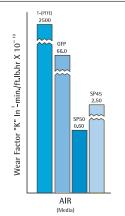


FIGURE 2.



Wear Rate at 50,000 PV*

Speed (75fpm) - Pressure (667psi)

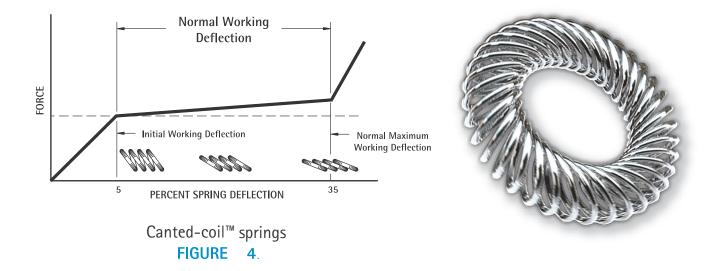
FIGURE 3.

Bal Seal Canted-coil[™] Seal Energizers

Canted-coil springs For Better Sealing Reliability in a Compact Package

The large working deflection range and the constant force exerted by the patented spring within the working deflection makes this the seal of choice for rotary service. Where sealing reliability is an important consideration, rotary service requires seals that can withstand high eccentricities, angular misalignment, low seal wear and maintain the constant sealing force necessary for long life and maximum sealing ability.

Figure 4 below shows a plot of force vs. deflection showing the unique property of the Canted-coil Bal Springs: Constant force developed over the normal working deflection of the spring.



Springs with Different Sealing Forces

In rotary sealing applications, Canted-coil springs with a variety of loading characteristics can be employed. Figure 5 describes various properties and typical usages.

Spring Lo P/N Coo	oad le	Friction	Spring Loading	Expected Wear	High Speed	Vacuum/ Gas	High Pressure	Low Temperature	Large Tolerances
	Light LB	LOW	LOWEST	LOW	E	NR	NR	NR	F
	Medium Light MC	MODERATE	MODERATE	MODERATE	G	F	F	G	G
	Medium MB	HIGH	HIGH	HIGH	F	Е	E	E	E

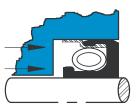
Rating Symbols: E=Excellent, G=Good, F=Fair, NR=Not Recommended.

FIGURE 5.

An increase in the spring force generally results in better sealing, but with higher friction and seal wear. When media pressure is applied, the pressure and the energizing load of the Bal Spring combine to add additional sealing force, which also increases the sealing ability.

Recommended Size Ranges for Selected Series

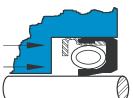
K31xCC SERIES



K31x SERIES



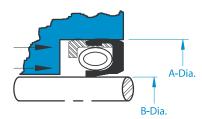
KSSx SERIES



KSx SERIES

SIZE

No.



Common Sizes

SIZE	В	Α
No.	Shaft	Bore
Call out	Diameter	Diameter
	(inches)	(inches)

K311CC Series 1/32-inch Nominal Cross Section

	+0.0000 -0.0005	+0.0005 -0.0000
(0.020)	0.0200	0.0825
(0.031)	0.0313	0.0938
(0.063)	0.0625	0.1250

K311 Series

1/32-inch Nominal Cross Section

	+0.0000 -0.0005	+0.0005 -0.0000
-002	0.0625	0.1250
-003	0.0938	0.1563
-004	0.1250	0.1875
-005	0.1875	0.2500*

KSSO and K310 Series

1/16-inch Nominal Cross Section

	+0.0000 -0.0007	+0.0007 -0.0000
-06	0.1250	0.2500
-08	0.1875	0.3125
-010	0.2500	0.3750
-011	0.3125	0.4375*
-012	0.3750	0.5000*

KSS4 and K314 Series

3/32-inch Nominal Cross Section

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	+0.0000 -0.0005	+0.0007 -0.0000			
-104	0.1250	0.3125			
-106	0.1875	0.3750			
	+0.0000 -0.0007	+0.0007 -0.0000			
-107	0.2188	0.4063			
-108	0.2500	0.4375			
-110	0.3750	0.5625			

SIZE	В	Α		
No.	Shaft	Bore		
Call out	Diameter	Diameter		
	(inches)	(inches)		

KSS4 and K314 Series

3/32-inch Nominal Cross Section

	+0.000 -0.001	+0.001 -0.000
-112	0.500	0.688
-114	0.625	0.813
-116	0.750	0.938
-118	0.875	1.063*

KSS5 and K315 Series 1/8-inch Nominal Cross Section

	+0.0000 -0.0005	+0.001 -0.000
-201	0.1875	0.437
-202	0.2500*	0.500
-204	0.3750*	0.625
	+0.000 -0.001	+0.001 -0.000
-206	0.500	0.750
-212	0.875	1.125*
-214	1.000	1.250*
-216	1.125*	1.375*

KS6 and K316 Series

3/16-inch Nominal Cross Section

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Consult technical sales for fast and complete recommendations with proposals.

Call out Diameter Diameter (inches) (inches)

В

Shaft

Α Bore

KS7 and K317 Series 1/4-inch Nominal Cross Section

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	+0.0000 -0.0015	+0.002 -0.000				
-403	1.7500	2.250				
-405	2.0000	2.200				
	+0.0000	+0.0020				
	-0.0020	-0.0000				
-407	2.250	2.750				
-409	2.500	3.000				
-417	3.500	4.000*				
	+0.000	+0.003				
	-0.003	-0.000				
-421	4.000	4.500				
- 429	5.000	5.500				
- 437	6.000	6.500*				
	+0.000	+0.004				
	-0.004	-0.000				
-439	6.500	7.000				
-443	7.500	8.000				

KS8 and K318 Series 3/8-inch Nominal Cross Section

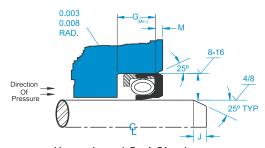
(3.00) 3.00*		3.75*
to	to	to
(24.00)	24.00*	24.75*

KS9 and K319 Series 1/2-inch Nominal Cross Section

(3.50) 3.50*		4.00*
to	to	to
(34.00)	34.00*	34.50*

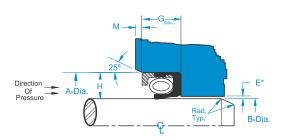
^(*) = See page-7 for tolerances.

Recommended Installation Dimensions



Uncaptivated Seal Gland (UNCAPTIVATED: Seal can be forced out under direction of pressure)

FIGURE 6.



Captivated Seal Gland (CAPTIVATED: Seal cannot be forced out under direction of pressure)

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Seal Series	Nominal Cross-Section W (inches)	Gland Height H (inches)	Gland Width G (Min.) (inches)	Shaft Chamfer J (inches)	Housing Chamfer M (inches)
1	0.031 (1/32)	0.031 / 0.032	0.060	0.031 ±0.004	0.010 ±0.003
0	0.063 (1/16)	0.062 / 0.063	0.110	0.062 ±0.005	0.015 ±0.004
4	0.093 (3/32)	0.093 / 0.094	0.150	0.093 ±0.006	0.020 ±0.004
5	0.125 (1/8)	0.125 / 0.127	0.195	0.125 ±0.008	0.030 ±0.005
6	0.188 (3/16)	0.187 / 0.189	0.275	0.187 ±0.010	0.040 ±0.005
7	0.250 (1/4)	0.250 / 0.252	0.365	0.250 ±0.012	0.050 ±0.005
8	0.375 (3/8)	0.375 / 0.377	0.530	0.375 ±0.015	0.060 ±0.006
9	0.500 (1/2)	0.500 / 0.502	0.730	0.500 ±0.020	0.070 ±0.007

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SUGGESTED SHAFT AND HOUSING TOLERANCES

Diameter Range (inches)	Shaft Tolerances (inches)	Housing Tolerances (inches)	Diameter Range (inches)	Shaft Tolerances (inches)	Housing Tolerances (inches)
0.0200 to 0.1875	+0.0000 / -0.0005	+0.0005 / -0.0000	2.001 to 3.500	+0.000 / -0.002	+0.002 / -0.000
0.1876 to 0.3750	+0.0000 / -0.0007	+0.0007 / -0.0000	3.501 to 6.000	+0.000 / -0.003	+0.003 / -0.000
0.3751 to 1.0000	+0.0000 / -0.0010	+0.0010 / -0.0000	6.001 to 15.000	+0.000 / -0.004	+0.004 / -0.000
1.0001 to 2.0000	+0.0000 / -0.0015	+0.0015 / -0.0000	15.001 to 34.000	+0.000 / -0.005	+0.005 / -0.000

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RADIAL CLEARANCE "E" (inches) @ 70° F (21° C)

		Pressure (psi)				
Code	Cross Section	150	300	500	1000	
1	1/32" (0.031)	0.004	0.003	0.0025	0.002	
0	1/16" (0.063)	0.005	0.004	0.0025	0.003	
4	3/32 (0.094)	0.006	0.005	0.004	0.003	
5	1/8 (0.125)	0.007	0.006	0.005	0.004	
6	3/16 (0.188)	0.007	0.006	0.005	0.004	
7	1/4 (0.250)	0.008	0.007	0.006	0.005	
8	3/8 (0.375)	0.010	0.008	0.007	0.006	
9	1/2 (0.500)	0.012	0.010	0.008	0.007	

Request TR-94 for a report on factors affecting rotary Bal Seal performance.

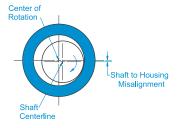
Dynamic Alignment

Seal Series	Seal Cross Section Height	Typical Diameter Range	Allowable Runout (TIR)* at various surface speeds (FPM) (with corresponding RPM at Average Diameter Range)				
	W	(inches)	50 FPM	500 FPM	1,000 FPM	2,500 FPM	5,000 FPM
1	0.031 (1/32)	0.062 - 0.188 (0.125 Avg.)	0.0015" (1528-RPM)	0.0010" (15,279-RPM)	0.0005" (30,558-RPM)	NR (76,394-RPM)	NR (152,788-RPM)
0	0.063 (1/16)	0.125 - 0.500 (0.313 Avg.)	0.0025" (610-RPM)	0.0015" (6,102-RPM)	0.001" (12,204-RPM)	0.0005" (30,508-RPM)	NR (61,018-RPM)
4	0.094 (3/32)	0.125-1.000 (0.563 Avg.)	0.0035" (339-RPM)	0.0025" (3,392-RPM)	0.0020" (6,785-RPM)	0.0010" (16,961-RPM)	NR (33,923-RPM)
5	0.125 (1/8)	0.188-2.500 (1.344 Avg.)	0.0045" (142-RPM)	0.0035" (1,421-RPM)	0.0030" (2,842-RPM)	0.0015" (7,105-RPM)	NR (14,210-RPM)
6	0.188 (3/16)	1.000-4.000 (2.500 Avg.)	0.0050" (76-RPM)	0.0040" (764-RPM)	0.0035" (1,528-RPM)	0.0020" (3,820-RPM)	NR (7,639-RPM)
7	0.250 (1/4)	1.750-7.500 1.750-7.500	0.0060" (41-RPM)	0.0050" (413-RPM)	0.0045" (826-RPM)	0.0030" (2,065-RPM)	0.0020" (4,129-RPM)
8	0.375 (3/8)	2.00-10.00 (6.00 Avg.)	0.0070" (32-RPM)	0.0060" (318-RPM)	0.0055" (637-RPM)	0.0040" (1,592-RPM)	0.0030" (3,183-RPM)
9	0.500 (1/2)	3.00-14.00 (8.50 Avg.)	0.0075" (22-RPM)	0.0070" (225-RPM)	0.0065" (449-RPM)	0.0050" (1,123-RPM)	0.0040" (2,247-RPM)

(*)=Specified TIR is for spring loaded seals. For non spring loaded seal, the allowable runout is 20% lower. NR = Not recommended Consult Bal Seal.

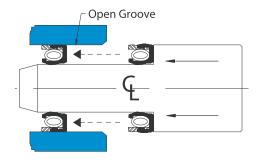
Shaft To Bore Misalignment at the seal area (STBM)

Shaft Diameter (inches)	STBM (inches)
0.000 to 0.750	0.0020
0.751 to 1.500	0.0025
1.501 to 3.000	0.0030
3.001 to 6.000	0.0035
6.001 to 10.000	0.0045

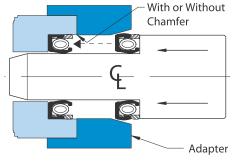


Shaft to Bore Misalignment FIGURE 8.

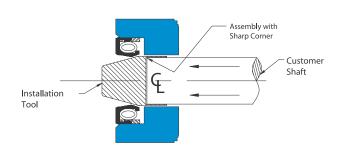
Installation Configurations



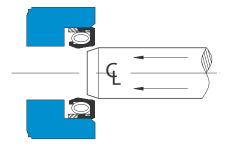
Assembly in an Open Gland **FIGURE 9**.



An Open Gland With Sharp Entry Corner FIGURE 10.



Assembly of Shaft From Forward Direction FIGURE 11.



Assembly of Shaft From Rear of Seal FIGURE 12.

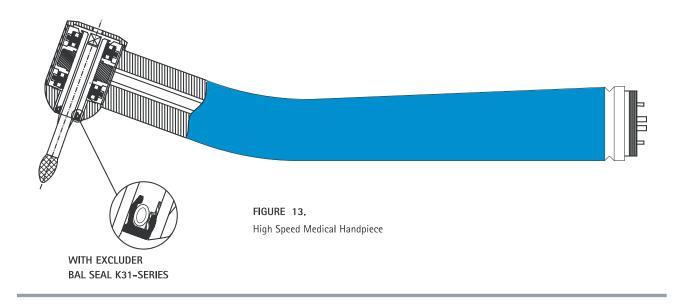
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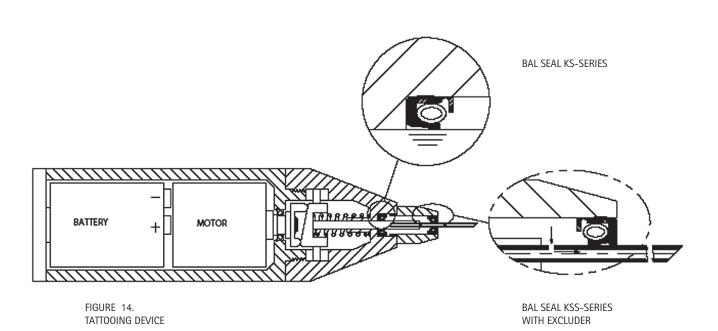
Request TR-94 for complete technical data on Bal Seal rotary seals; request TR-97 on "Tools for Removing 'K' Series Rotary Bal Seals"

ROTARY SEAL APPLICATION DATA SHEET

Bal Seal provides immediate technical suport. We encourage you to complete the application in as much detail as possible and fax it to our Technical Sales Department at 949.460.2300. Bal Seal will be able to provide the best solution possible to meet your requirements by means of a seal design proposal and technical information.

Name:	Date:	
Company:	Title:	
Address:	Dept.	:
City, State & Zip:	Telepi	hone:
Email:	Fax:	
PRODUCT DATA: Product Name: ———————————————————————————————————	SERVICE: Rotary – Continuous Rotary – Intermittent Oscillating/Dithering Other: SPEED: fpm(m/s) rpm cpm Hz	CRITICAL FACTORS: Not Not Not Important Very Important Friction:
TEMPERATURE: Intermittent: Max.	MEDIA TYPE: Select one: Other Factors: Gas Solids Corrosive Water Abrasives Contamination Oil Viscous Solid Particles Cycling Temperature: Other: Description of gas, liquid, solid media: Specific Gravity: Volatiles: Relative Humidity (RH): Viscosity:	P-V Envelope P-V Envelope A P V B C D D Surface Velocity
TORQUE LIMITS: Inches Ibs. N-M Running:	PRESSURE: Max: psi	CONFIGURATION: ☐ Uncaptivated Seal Gland P
SHAFT DATA: Diameter: inches mm Tolerance: inches mm Material: Hardness: Rc Surface Finish: Ra RMS Ry Plating/Coating: Eccentricity:TIR inches mm STBM inches mm Total Runout TIR: inches mm Can the dimensions be modified?: Yes No	GLAND / BORE DATA: Gland I.D.: inches mm Tolerance: inches mm Gland Width: inches mm Tolerance: inches mm Material: Surface Finish: Ra/RMS Plating/Coating Type: Can the seal gland/bore be modified? Yes No Will Supply Shaft/Bore/Gland Drawings	Captivated Seal Gland P Flanged Other (attach sketch)





Customized solutions to suit your application

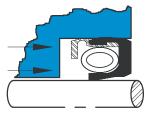


FIGURE 15. Low Pressure with Good Sealing Ability



FIGURE 16. Viscous Fluids at Low Speeds

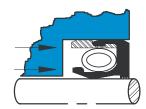


FIGURE 17. Medium Pressure, Dust Exclusion

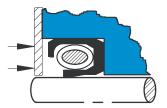


FIGURE 18.
Good Sealing Ability with low Dead Volume



FIGURE 19. Bi-directional at Low Pressure

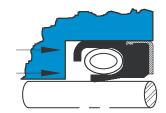


FIGURE 20. Higher Uncaptivated Pressures than KS-series

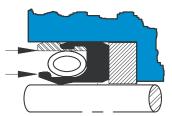


FIGURE 21. High Pressures

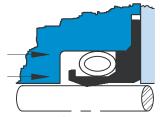


FIGURE 22. Cryogenic, Very Low Pressure



FIGURE 23.Large Cross–Section, Medium Pressure and Medium Speed

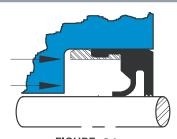


FIGURE 24. Low pressure, Dust Exclusion

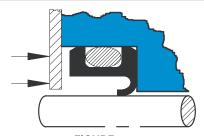


FIGURE 25. Low Speed, Low Pressure

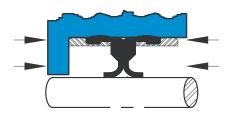


FIGURE 26. Bi-directional, Low Pressure

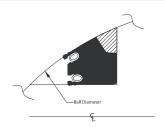


FIGURE 27. Ball Valve Seal

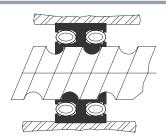


FIGURE 28. Ball Screw Seal

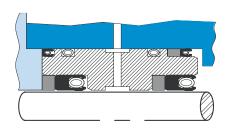


FIGURE 29. Bearing-Seal Package

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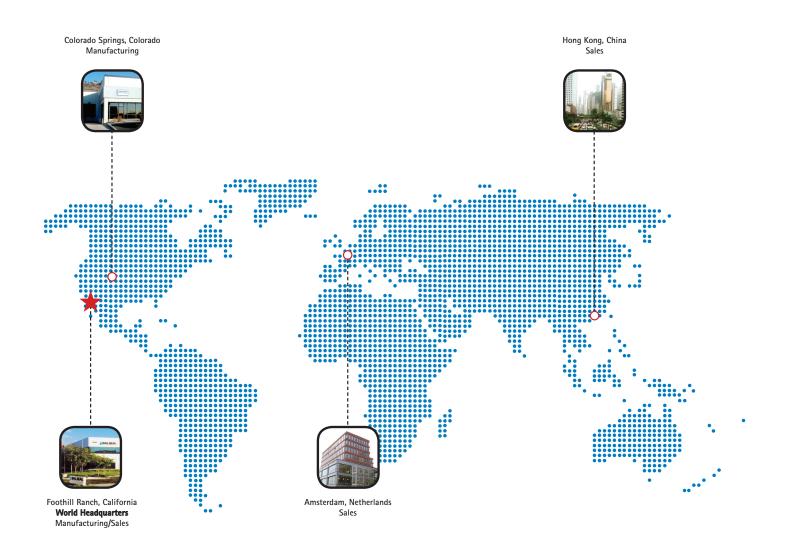
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