

Tech Note 3: AusPress Press-Fit Media Suitability Guide

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Media	Notes	Diameter	Max Work Pressure	Max Work Pressure	Max Work Pressure	-20 to +100C	-20 to +70C	-20 to +180C	-20 to +180C
Acetylene TN, 5	AS 4289 (15 - 35mm)	< 22	1.5	N/S	N/S	A	A	А	A
		28	1.3						
		35	1.0						
Ad Blue / Urea		15 - 54	25		N/S	А	В	В	A
		76 - 168	16						
Ammonia TN	(dry) Max purity: N3.8	15 - 108	16	16	N/S	А	В	N/S	А
Argon ⁵	Max purity: N4.0	15 - 108	16	16	16	Α	Α	Α	А
Avgas		15 - 54	25	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S	А	А
		76 - 168	16						
Bio-Diesel (dry) (B100) ™	No water or wetting agents.	15 - 54	25	-	N/S	N/S	N/S	А	А
		76 - 168	16						
Bio-Ethanol	E85 (85% Ethanol)	15 - 54	25		N/S	N/S	А	А	
		76 - 168	16						
Bio-Gas	Methane, CO ² , nitrogen & hydrogen sulphide.	15 - 168	16			N/S	А		
Butane ⁵		15 - 108	5	5	5	N/S	Α	Α	А
Carbon dioxide ⁵	(dry) Max purity: N2.5	15 - 108	16	16	16	В	А	А	
Carbon monoxide ⁵	(dry) Max purity: N3.7	15 - 108	16		16	N/S	А	А	А
Compressed Air ⁵	Dry: < 1.0mg/m³ Wet: (Oil) lubricated air	15 - 54	25	16	16	If dry system	If wet system	If wet system	If wet system
		76 - 108	16						
Demineralised & RO Waters ^{TN}	Conductivity > 0.1µS/cm (EC), pH 4 - 14	15 - 108	25		N/S	^			
		168	16		(too pure)	A			
Diesel ™	Flashpoint 50-80°C	15 - 54	25		N/S (ages fuel)	N/S	А	А	
		76 - 168	16						
Ethane ⁵		15 - 168	5		5	N/S	А	Α	А
Ethanol ™	Temp < +25°C	15 - 54	25		16	А	N/S	N/S	А
		76 - 168	16						
Fire Services	Sprinkler & hydrant.	15 - 168	25 (refer ActivFire)		16 (refer AS 2419.1)	А			
Glycol (< 90% by vol)	EPDM for Ethylene & Propylene bases.	15 - 108	25		16	А	А	А	А
		168	16		10	~	~	~	~
Helium ⁵	Max purity: N4.0	15 - 108	16	16	16	Α	Α	Α	Α
Hydrogen ^{TN, 5}	Max purity: N4.0 (may leak <0.001cm ³ /min)	15 - 108	16	16	5	А	А	А	А
Kerosene TN		15 - 54	25		16	N/S	А	٨	А
		76 - 168	16		10	11/3	A	A	A
LPG (Propane) ^{2, 5}	AS 3688 approved ⁶	15 - 168	2 (5)		2	N/S	А	N/S ³	N/S ³
Lubricants ¹					10	N/S		А	
Methane ⁵		15 - 108	5		5	N/S	Α	Α	А
Methanol		15 - 168	16		N/S	А	В	N/S	А
Motor (Mineral) Oil, SAE ^{1 TN}		15 - 54	25	Ask Us	10	N/S	А	А	A
		76 - 168	16						
Natural Gas 2, 5	AS 3688 approved ⁶	22 - 168	2 (5)	Ask Us	2	N/S	А	N/S ³	N/S ³

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Nitrogen (gas) 5	Max purity: N4.8	15 - 108	16		16	Α	А	Α	Α
Osmosis Water	High speed OK; TOC < 500ppb; < 10 CFU/mL	15 - 108	25		N/S	А			
		168	16						
Oxygen (Gas) < 25°C ^{™, 5}	Not medical, max purity: N2.8. Installer to clean to ensure oil & grease free.	15 - 168	16	16	10	N/S ⁴	N/S	А	A
Ozone (gas) ⁵	Dry, not dissolved (wet).	15 - 108	16			Α	N/S	A ⁷	А
Propane (LPG) ^{2, 5}	AS 3688 approved ⁶ .	15 - 108	2 (5)		2	N/S	А	N/S ³	N/S ³
Petrol [™] ROZ 95 & 98	Class A-III suitable	15 - 54	25	Ask Us	16	N/S	А	А	А
		76 - 108	16						
Potable Water	WaterMark (316+EPDM & Copper+EPDM)	15 - 108	25	Not for Drinking	16	А		А	
		168	16						
Refrigerants 1, 5	Non-flammable; R134a, R404, R407, R410A	15 - 168	16		N/S	A ¹	A ¹	N/S	
Salt Water		15 - 108	N/S	16 ⁸	N/S	-	А	Α	
Sewer (Gravity)	Press-fit is not suitable!	-	N/S	N/S	N/S	-	-	-	-
Spring Water		15 - 108	25	Ask Us	Ask Us	A			
		168	16						
Stormwater & Siphonic Drainage	Press-fit is not suitable!	-	N/S	N/S	N/S	-	-	-	-
Synthetic Air 5	Max purity: N4.8	15- 108	16			Α	Α	Α	Α
Steam (Wet) TN	Loose nut fittings not suitable, Refer Tech Note!	15 - 108	5.5 (160°C)	Ask Us	< 1.0 (100°C)	N/S	N/S	N/S	N/S
Vacuum (not Siphonic)	From atmosphere 1,013mbar, 813mbar to 200mbar achievable.	15 - 168	0.2 absolute	200mbar absolute	200mbar absolute	A	A	A	A
Vegetable Oils	Avocado, canola (rapeseed), coconut, corn, cottonseed, linseed, peanut, rice bran, safflower, sesame, soybean & sunflower.	15 - 168	16			N/S	A		
	Including: olive & palm.	15 - 168	16			A	A		

Notes & Abbreviations:

No data does not suggest suitability. Please contact AusPress for confirmation. Max Working Pressure shown in 'bar' units unless otherwise noted. **A**= Suitable, **B**= Fair, **N/S**= Not Suitable, **Ask Us**= Contact us for assessment; **TN**= Refer to our Tech Note documents for more information. **Note 1**: Contact us with the brand and product name for confirmation first. **Note 2**: Pressure subject to regulations (eg LPG up to 200kPa for AS 5601). Min tube wall thickness 1.2mm conflict AS 5601 & AS 5200. Using 'HP' Press Collars is not suitable. **Note 3**: AS 5601 requires yellow hNBR seals despite these materials being chemically suitable. **Note 4**: EPDM is suitable up to 15°C but not recommended for safety. **Note 5**: Using the 'HP' collars 76.1-108 with ACO402 & ACO403 tools is not suitable for this media. **Note 6**: See AS 5601.1, Table 4.1 (316: 70°C & 2 bar max). **Note 7:** FKM may absorb O³ not effecting the rubber but may affect data readings. **Note 8**: Maximum may be less depending on the required shipping approval authority.

About Pressures: Working Pressure= 'normal' or 'design' operating pressure. The working pressure of a 'system' is dependent on the press tool used. Test Pressure= 'working pressure' x1.5 (wet) or x1.1 (gasses), during site test conditions only. Safety Pressure= Maximum pressure not to be exceeded in all circumstances. Burst Pressure= The pressure recorded in a laboratory test environment during destructive testing – for information only. For example: 25 bar maximum working pressure is ok for potable water when using M-Profile stainless 108mm and the ACO403 press tools to install. The 1.5x testing pressure is 37.5 bar in this instance as a wet media.

Degree Purity of Gas: The first digit of the grade classification indicates the 'number of nines' purity, e.g. N3.0 = 99.9% purity. The second digit is the number following the last nine, e.g. N4.6 helium has a guaranteed minimum purity level of 99.996%.

Elastomer Types: EPDM - ethylene propylene diene monomer. hNBR - hydrogenated nitrile butadiene rubber. FKM - fluoroelastomer (green). PTFE - Polytetrafluoroethylene (Teflon) coated with FKM core.

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