



Design and Installation

COOL-FIT 2.0

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1 COOL-FIT 2.0/2.0M

1.1 General Information

COOL-FIT 2.0 is a pre-insulated piping system for the delivery of secondary refrigerants. Thanks to its insulation thickness of 20 mm, the system can be used in air-conditioning systems with secondary refrigerant temperatures above 0 °C. COOL-FIT 2.0 is based on established, impact resistant and corrosion free PE pipe and fittings. The smooth inner surface of the fluid pipe provides minimal losses of pressure. The low thermal conductivity and high quality insulation guarantee low operating cost over the entire lifespan of the system. Thanks to the 3 in 1 design – Fluid pipe / Insulation / Jacket tube – installation time is kept very short.

The system consists of pipe, fittings, valves, flexible hoses and transition fittings. All components are pre-insulated or supplied with mountable insulation shells. The COOL-FIT 2.0 tools allow for fast and safe installation of the system.



The COOL-FIT 2.0 system is a completely pre-insulated plastic piping system for secondary refrigerant circuits run with water, brine, or Glycol based solutions.

The COOL-FIT 2.0 system is suitable for use in applications like:

Comfort Cooling	Safe Cooling
 Air conditioning Airports	Data centers Hotels
Apartments	Shopping centers
 Hospitals Industrial buildings	Sports center / leisure center Universities
- industrial buildings	Bank / public institutions

1.2 System Specification



Medium		COOL-FIT	2.0	COOL-FIT 2.0M
Materials ¹⁾	Pipe	PE100		PE100
	Insulation	GF-HE foar free, close	m, halogen d-cell	PIR foam, halogen free, closed-cell
	Outer jacket	Pipe	PEHD	Stainless steel 1.4512
		Fitting	GF-HE	Aluminum EN AW-1100
Size		d32DN25 - d140DN12!		d32DN25 – d110DN100 mm
Connection technology		Electrofus	ion	Electrofusion
Nominal pressure ²⁾		16 bar, SDI	R 11	16 bar, SDR 11
Temperature	Medium	0 °C bis +60 °C		0 °C bis +60 °C
	Environment	0 °C bis +55 °C		0 °C bis +55 °C
Insulation	Thermal conductivity $\lambda_{20^{\circ}\text{C}}$ HE Foam PE jacket & inner pipe Stainless steel jacket	0.022 W/mK 0.38 W/mK		0.022 W/mK 0.38 W/mK 25 W/mK
	Density	≥ 55 kg/m³		≥ 60 kg/m³
	Foam cell size	max. Ø 0.5 mm		max. Ø 0.5 mm
	Nominal thickness	22 mm		22 mm
Mechanical strength	Axial shear strength	≥ 0.12 N/m	m²	> 0,1 N/mm²
(from insulation)	Compressive strength	≥ 0.3 N/mm²		≥ 0.15 N/mm²
Colour	Outer jacket	Black		Metal
Weight	Pipe d32	1.14 kg/m		1.3 kg/m
(without medium)	Pipe d110	5.6 kg/m		5.7 kg/m
Oxygen diffusion at ≤ 5°C	ISO 17455	≤ 0.083 mg	g/(m² d)	0 mg/(m ² d) ³
Fire classification 4)	EN 13501-1 ⁴	Е		B – s1, d0

- All three materials are firmly bonded together.
- At 20 °C, medium water, the specified value is valid for all system components, with the exception of the butterfly valves, PN10 applies to the nominal pressure.
- Pipe with a closed metal outer jacket
- Additional information in chapter 2.4.4

Medium		COOL-FIT 2.0	COOL-FIT 2.0M		
Environment	Stability	Moisture and vapor-tight	Moisture and vapor-tight		
	Ozone Depletion Potential	Zero	Zero		
Standards and Guidelines	EN ISO 15494	Plastic piping systems for industrial applications — polybutene (PB), polyethylene (PE) and polypropylene (PP) — specifications for components and the piping system — metric series			
	ISO 7	Threaded Joints			
	EN ISO 16135 EN ISO 16136 EN ISO 16137 EN ISO 16138	Industrial valves - Ball valves made of thermoplastics - Butterfly valves made of thermoplastics - Backflow protection made of thermoplastic - Diaphragm valve made of thermoplastics			
	EN ISO 16871	Plastic piping and ducting systems – Plastic pipe and fittings – Method for exposure to direct (natural) weathering			
	EN ISO 13501-1	Fire classification of construction products and building elements			

1.3 Technical Details

1.3.1 COOL-FIT 2.0

COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe

COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe are made from PE 100. The high efficiency GF-HE hard foam insulation exhibits a thermal conductivity λ of 0.022 W/mK. The pipe are protected by a impact resistant PE jacket.

All three materials are firmly bonded in order to ensure good insulation properties and low thermal expansion or contraction for the system.

The pipe are available in 5 m lengths.



Pipe	Pipe	Outer jacket	Free pipe ends	Weight	Volume	Insulation thickness	Heat transfer coefficient (U)
d x e (mm)	d _i (mm)	D x e1 (mm)	(mm)	(kg/m)	(l/m)	(mm)	(W/m K)
32 x 2.9	26.2	75 x 3	36	1.08	0.54	18.5	0.19
40 x 3.7	32.6	90 x 3	40	1.45	0.83	22	0.20
50 x 4.6	40.8	90 x 3	44	1.63	1.31	17	0.27
63 x 5.8	51.4	110 x 4	48	2.57	2.07	19.5	0.30
75 x 6.8	61.4	125 x 4	55	3.23	2.96	21	0.32
90 x 8.2	73.6	140 x 4	62	4.09	4.25	21	0.37
110 x 10	90.0	160 x 4	72	5.39	6.36	21	0.44
140 x 12.7	114.6	200 x 5	84	8.55	10.31	25	0.47

d Nominal outer diameter of the PE pipe
di Nominal inside diameter of the pipe
D Nominal outside diameter of the outer PE jacket
e, e1 Nominal wall thickness

COOL-FIT 2.0 fittings

General

The media fitting and insulation used for COOL-FIT 2.0 fittings fulfill the same specifications as the COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe. The COOL-FIT 2.0 fittings are based on ELGEF electrofusion fittings, which have been in use successfully for years. They provide an easy and safe connection.

The pre-insulated COOL-FIT 2.0 fittings are available in two types:

Type A:

Electrofusion fitting with integrated resistance wires for direct electrofusion pipe-to-fitting connections.



90° elbow as an example

Type B:

Spigot fitting with free ends for pipe-to-fitting electrofusion with COOL-FIT 2.0 electrofusion fittings.



90° elbow as an example

Usefull functions - Fittings type A:

Fusion indicators

After welding, check whether there is wear to the fusion indicators. After the welding process, the indicator pin shows clearly that energy has been applied to the welding zone.



Sealing lip

The sealing lip can be used to check whether the insulation has been properly sealed. If they bulge after the fitting has been pushed up to the end stop on the pipe, the installation is correct. By labelling the lip end on the pipe any changes in position of the fitting can be monitored.

For direct fitting-to-fitting or fitting-to-valve connections, the sealing lip can be removed beforehand during electrofusion fitting.



Label

The fittings have abrasion-resistant marking.



Trace code

Relevant product data can be traced back to production via traceability codes.



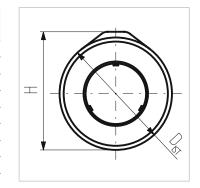
Angle marking

By marking the ends of the fittings, connections between pipe and fittings can be optimally aligned.



All Type A fittings feature a dome surrounding the welding connectors. It tops the outer diameter of a fitting, thus increases the total height (H) of a fitting in this specific section. The outer diameter of a fitting (D_{lst}) is slightly larger than the nominal outer diameter (D) of the system. See dimension table for Type A fittings:

d/D [mm]	D _{lst} [mm]	H [mm]
32/75	82	87
40/90	97	99
50/90	97	105
63/110	117	123
75/125	132	139
90/140	147	154
110/160	168	177
140/200	208	208



d/D Nominal inner- / outer diameter COOL-FIT 2.0 System

D_{ist} Effective outer

diameter fitting Type A
H Fitting height at
welding connector

section

Jointing

Pipe and Fitting

Type A fittings have integrated resistance wires, which are put under electric current during the welding operation through welding contacts on the fittings. This heats up the inside of the fitting and bonds the melting zone with the pipe.

Type B fittings feature non-insulated spigot ends. They are connected with electrofusion coupler to a pipe (see chapter below "components").

Fitting-to-fitting

Two COOL-FIT 2.0 fittings are usually connected by using a piece of COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe with free ends or a short piece of ecoFIT PE pipe and an insulation ring (e.g. ring removed with the foam removal tool). The shortest connection between two COOL-FIT 2.0 Type A fittings can be achieved by cutting off the sealing lips and using a barrel nipple and an adhesive ring for the vapor seal (see components).

Two COOL-FIT 2.0 Type B fittings can be joined using an electrofusion coupler (see components).

The connection of a COOL-FIT 2.0 fitting Type A and Type B is also possible.

Components

Fittings can be connected to either pipe or other fittings using the parts described below:

COOL-FIT 2.0 Electrofusion coupler

COOL-FIT 2.0 electrofusion couplers are used to connect pipe and components with free ends like type B fittings, valves and transition fittings.



COOL-FIT 2.0 Elbows 45° and 90°

(Refer to "General" chapter above)



COOL-FIT 2.0 T90 $^{\circ}$ equal and COOL-FIT T90 $^{\circ}$ reduced

The equal and reduced type A 90° tees have, like the coupler, resistance wires for electrofusion. The central outlets can be connected to the type A fitting, so all combinations are possible.

The type B fittings with free fusion spigots can be connected to all type A fittings.



COOL-FIT 2.0 reducer

The COOL-FIT 2.0 reducer can be used to reduce the flow of the starting size by up to three to four sizes (e.g. from d140 up to d63 or from d75 up to d32).



COOL-FIT 2.0 barrel nipple

COOL-FIT 2.0 barrel nipple serves as a compact direct connector for type A fittings.



Combination of T90° and Reducer

If a reduction step should be done after the branch of a T90 $^{\circ}$, either a C00L-FIT 2.0 T90 $^{\circ}$ reduced, or a C00L-FIT 2.0 T90 $^{\circ}$ reduced/ equal connected to a reducer should be used.

	Run 40	50	63	75	90	110	140
Branch							
32	Х	Χ	Х	Х	Х	Χ	Х
40		Χ	Χ	0	0	0	0
50			Χ	0	0	0	0
63				Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ
75		•	•	-	Δ	Δ	Δ
90		•	•	-	•	Δ	Δ
110							Δ

- T90°- equal + reducer
- T90°- reduced + reducer
- Δ T90°- reduced

Accessories

Insulation for fusion contacts

Supplied with each fitting. Prevent formation of a cold bridge at the fusion contacts. Insulation parts can also serve as an indicator that a connection has been welded. (Install insulation after welding to show that the welding has been completed.)



Adhesive ring

With a compact connection with a barrel nipple (fit-ting-to-fitting), this adhesive ring is used to ensure that the connection is water and vapor tight after the removal of the sealing lip.



Cement

For frontal bonding of the insulations of transition fittings and flexible hoses



Adhesive tape

Optional for covering hand-cut faces.



Y-Cable kit for COOL-FIT Fixpoints

Cuts the welding time by 50% and includes the required welding adapters.

Article no.: 790 156 032.



COOL-FIT 2.0 valves

COOL-FIT 2.0 valves are based on GF Standard plastic valves. The valves are supplied including GF-HE insulation shells with a protective PE jacket. The sealing faces between the shells and the valve are vapor tight by their design. No additional tape or sealant is required.



Releasable plastic bands for sizes d32DN25 – d63DN50 and metal straps with tension locks for sizes d75DN65 – d140DN125 permit the pre-insulated shells to be fitted to and removed from the valves easily, allowing easy maintenance.



The insulated ball valve in PVC-U is available in sizes d32DN25 – d90DN80, and the butterfly valve in sizes d110DN100 – d140DN125. Manual versions or such ISO 5211 interface are available. The interface is suitable for electric actuators from GF as well as for 3^{rd} party actuators.

Interfaces:

F03 and F05 for ball valves d32DN25 - d63DN50

F07 for all ball- and butterfly valves d75DN65 - d90DN80

COOL-FIT 2.0 transition fittings, flange connectors

Transition fittings and flange connectors enable connections to different systems in either metal or plastic, such as the Georg Fischer systems iFIT or Sanipex MT. All listed components are supplied with insulation in NBR foam:



Thread type/connector/ pitch circle	Size	Material	Thread type/connector/ pitch circle
Transition fittings for metal*	d32 – d63 ½" – 2 ¾"	PE – stainless steel PE – brass	Male thread (R), Female thread (Rp), Loose union nut (G)
Transition fittings to iFIT or Sanipex MT*	d32 1"	Stainless steel Brass	iFIT, Sanipex MT
Union plastic - plastic*	d32 – d110 1" – 4 "	PE – PE, PE – ABS	Welding spigots Cementing socket
Adaptor union to metal*	d32 – d63 1" – 2 "	PE – stainless Steel	Internal thread (Rp), External thread (R)
Flange joints**	d32 – d140	PE	Bolt circle PN 10/16

- * NBR foam insulation
- ** Insulation half shells similar to valve insulations

COOL-FIT 2.0 flex hoses

The flexible hoses in EPDM permit mobile access to devices such as fancoils, compensating for expansion or contraction within the system. The tear-resistant protective tissue jacket and NBR insulation (19mm, $\lambda_{10^{\circ}\text{C}} \leq 0.035 \text{ W/mK})$ ensure the temperature of the cooling medium remains unchanged. Versatile connectivity options mean that system connection is ensured:



G thread (external thread + loose nut)

d	DN	Thread	Length	Max. compensation ΔL	bending radius)
(mm)	(mm)		(mm)	(mm)	(mm)
25	20	3/4"	1000	393	65
32	25	1"	1000	328	90
40	32	1 ¼"	1000	251	120
50	40	1 ½"	1500	477	155

COOL-FIT 2.0 Installation fittings type 313

Installation fittings are used to install various types of sensors to the system. Pressure or temperature sensors can be connected using the $\frac{1}{2}$ "or $\frac{3}{4}$ " Rp female thread.

The insulation is comprised of highly efficient GF-HE foam with excellent insulating capabilities.



1.3.2 COOL-FIT 2.0M

COOL-FIT 2.0M pipe

COOL-FIT 2.0M inner pipe are made from PE100. The PIR foam insulation has a thermal conductivity λ of 0.022 W/mK. The pipe are protected by a fire load reducing steel jacket.

All three materials are firmly bonded in order to ensure good insulation properties and low thermal expansion or contraction for the system.

The pipe are available in 5 m lengths.



Inner Pipe d x e	Inner Pipe d _i	Outer jacket stainless steel d x e1	Weight	Volume	Insulation thickness	Heat transfer coefficient (U)
(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(kg/m)	(l/m)	(mm)	(W/m K)
32 x 2.9	26.2	75 x 0.7	0.62	0.54	21	0.18
40 x 3.7	32.6	90 x 0.7	0.9	0.83	24.5	0.19
50 x 4.6	40.8	90 x 0.7	1.07	1.31	19.5	0.25
63 x 5.8	51.4	110 x 0.7	1.61	2.07	23	0.27
75 x 6.8	61.4	125 x 0.7	2.12	2.96	24.5	0.29
90 x 8.2	73.6	140 x 0.7	2.84	4.25	24.5	0.34
110 x 10	90.0	160 x 0.7	3.96	6.36	24.5	0.40

d Nominal outer
diameter of the PE pipe
di Nominal inside
diameter of the pipe
D Nominal outside
diameter of the outer
PE jacket
e, e1 Nominal wall thickness

COOL-FIT 2.0M fittings

The pipe material for COOL-FIT 2.0M fittings, the insulation in high-efficiency (HE) hard foam, the PUR protective jacket and the supplementary metal half-shells are fully compatible with the respective COOL-FIT 2.0M pipe and meet the same specifications.

COOL-FIT 2.0M fittings have an integrated sealing lip which ensures water and vapor tight connection. The fittings have half-shells and pipe clamps in metal, and are thus suitable for higher fire classifications.







COOL-FIT 2.0M coupler

COOL-FIT 2.0M elbow 90 °

COOL-FIT 2.0M T 90 ° equal

1.3.3 COOL-FIT tools

Electrofusion Machines

Electrofusion machines are required to join COOL-FIT 2.0 components. The range includes dedicated and multipurpose electrofusion machines which are reliable and easy to use.

GF recommends: MSA-Series electrofusion machines.



Foam removal tool

The foam removal tool is used to prepare COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe for electrofusion. The tool removes the foam and cuts outer jacket, and also peels the surface of the inner pipe. Any oxide layer present is removed when the welding zone is treated.

The tool is available in two versions:

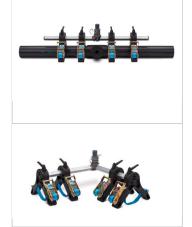
1. for sizes d32 - d90, 2. for sizes d110 - d225.



Clamping tool

The fusion process gives rise to forces that can pull the pipe out of the coupler. Therefore it is recommended that the assembly should be fitted with COOL-FIT installation clamps. This prevents movement during the welding- and cool-down process.

The central hinge allows the use of the clamps on elbows and reducers. Depending on the length of the pipe, 2 or 4 of the glass-reinforced plastic holders can be used. The linkage is made of galvanized steel. Tension bands are included and a T-adapter is optional available.



1.4 Dimensioning and design

The following section describes only the COOL-FIT specific planning fundamentals. For prevailing information see general GF planning fundamentals.

1.4.1 General information about the dimensioning and installation of plastic piping

Plastics have different physical characteristics to metals. When designing and installing thermoplastic piping systems, this needs to be taken into account. Although PE and COOL-FIT 2.0 are very robust systems, care should be taken to avoid damage during handling and transportation.

For over 50 years, GF Piping Systems has developed and sold a variety of plastic piping systems which are subjected to very rigorous demands, such as optimized insulation properties in cooling applications. Experience has shown that plastic provides an economical and reliable alternative to metal when designers and installers take account of the recommendations in the technical documentation. In the professional production of plastic piping systems, for example, piping systems must be able to move to accommodate changes in length caused by temperature and pressure changes. To allow for these changes in length, the use of pipe holders that permit this movement is vital.

The following technical information contains the basic information needed to ensure an economical and trouble-free installation. However, this chapter does not contain all of the details. For more information, or if you have specific questions, please call your local GF Piping Systems representative. Additional information is available on the official GF Piping Systems website.

1.4.2 COOL-FIT 2.0 pressure-temperature diagram

The pressure resistance for thermoplastic pipe for water is always specified at +20 °C. At higher temperatures allowance must be made for a lower maximum operating pressure.

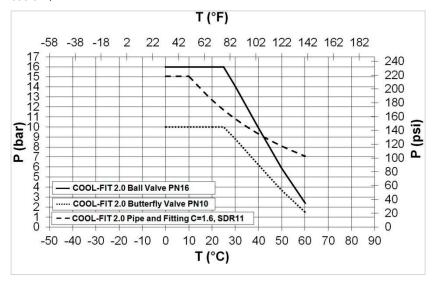
The graph shows the maximum permissible pressure for COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe, fittings and valves at various temperatures, up to the maximum permissible media temperature of +60 °C. The table is based on an ambient temperature of +20 °C. A safety factor of 1.6 and a minimum lifespan of 25 years have been allowed for in all calculations.

The values given in this chapter apply to both COOL-FIT 2.0 and COOL-FIT 2.0M.



Pressure/temperature limits for COOL-FIT 2.0 fittings, pipe, valves – water coolant

Limits for COOL-FIT 2.0: 25-year values allowing for the safety factor (with water as the coolant).



- P Allowable pressure (bar, psi)
- T Temperature (°C, °F)
- C Safety factor

The butterfly valves used for the COOL-FIT 2.0 system exhibit lower pressure-temperature ratings than the rest of the components. If valves are used, it is necessary to refer to the data in the diagram above.

Influence of secondary refrigerants with antifreeze additives

At ambient temperatures below 0 °C, antifreeze must be used in the water to prevent it from freezing during a plant shut-down.

COOL-FIT 2.0 is generally resistant to secondary coolants such as glycol and brines. For some secondary coolants a reduction factor is necessary depending on the type and mixing ratio. The permissible operating pressure is corrected downwards from the pressure-temperature curve for water.

Reduction factors¹

For the calculation, the following formula is used:

$$P_{AF} = \frac{P_w}{AF}$$

P_{AF} Permissible pressure with reduction factor

Pw Permissible pressure for water

AF Reduction factor

valid for materials HD-PE, EPDM, PVC-U, metals

Glycol solutions

COOL-FIT 2.0/2.0M can be used with glycol solutions with concentrations up to 50%. The chemical resistance of COOL-FIT 2.0 systems is suitable for the following antifreeze types:

Brand name	Hersteller	Тур
Antifrogen N	Clariant	Ethylene glycol
Antifrogen L	Clariant	Propylene glycol
Showbrine Blue Showa standard EG brine	Showa Brine	Ethylene glycol
Showbrine Blue Showa trial EC brine	Showa Brine	Ethylene glycol
Tyfocor L	Tyfo	Propylene glycol
Tyfocor	Tyfo	Ethylene glycol
DOWFROST	DOW	Propylene glycol
Zytrec FC	Arteco	Propylene glycol
Zytrec LC	Arteco	Propylene glycol
Zytrec MC	Arteco	Propylene glycol
Neutrogel Neo	Climalife Dehon	Ethylene glycol
Friogel Neo	Climalife Dehon	Propylene glycol
DOWTHERM SR-1	DOW	Ethylene glycol

When using other coolants, compatibility with COOL-FIT 2.0 should be clarified with GF Piping Systems.



Example – glycol dissolved in water

For water-glycol mixture ≤ 50%, the reduction factor for the pressure-temperature diagram is 1.1. Thus, at +10 °C, with a minimum life of 25 years, the maximum allowable working pressure is reduced as follows:

$$P_{AF} = \frac{15 \text{ bar}}{1.1} = 13.6 \text{ bar}$$

Organic salt solutions

These media are usually potassium formates or potassium acetates: aqueous solutions with low viscosity at low temperatures. COOL-FIT 2.0 can be used with the media below. The manufacturer's instructions must be followed.

Brand name	Manufacturer	Туре
Antifrogen KF	Clariant	Brine
Zytrec S-55	Frigol	Brine
Temper	Temper	Brine
Hycool	Addcon	Brine



For detailed information on resistance and reduction factors, see Planning Fundamentals "Material selection - Chemical resistance".

1.4.3 Polyethylene (PE)

The dominant material for the COOL-FIT 2.0/2.0 M system is polyethylene (PE). As the inner pipe which comes into contact with the media is made of PE-100, its properties are of particularly high relevance.

Properties of PE (approximate)

Property	PE 100-value ¹	Unit	Testing standard
Density	0.95	g/cm³	EN ISO 1183-1
Yield stress at 23 ° C	25	N/mm²	EN ISO 527-1
Tensile modulus at 23 ° C	900	N/mm²	EN ISO 527-1
Charpy notched impact strength at 23 ° C	83	kJ/m²	EN ISO 179-1/1eA
Charpy notched impact strength at -40 ° C	13	kJ/m²	EN ISO 179-1/1eA
Crystallite melting point	130	°C	DIN 51007
Thermal conductivity at 23 ° C	0.38	W/m K	EN 12664
Water absorption at 23 ° C	0.01 - 0.04	%	EN ISO 62
Color	9,005	-	RAL
Oxygen Index (LOI)	17.4	%	4589-1

Typical, measured on material characteristics, should not be used for calculations.

General information

All polymers made from hydrocarbons of the formula CnH_2n are constructed with a double bond (ethylene, propylene, butene-1, isobutene) are referred to collectively as polyolefins. Among them is polyethylene (PE). It is a semi-crystalline thermoplastic. Polyethylene is probably the best known plastic. The chemical formula is: $-(CH_2-CH_2)n$. Polyethylene is an environmentally friendly hydrocarbon product. PE, like (PP), is a non-polar material. Therefore, it is insoluble and scarcely swellable in conventional solvents. PE pipe cannot therefore be adhesively bonded to fittings. Welding is the appropriate connection method for the material.

In industrial piping, high molecular weight types have resulted in medium to high density. The types are classified by their creep rupture strength into PE80 (MRS 8 MPa) and PE100 (MRS 10 MPa). The latter are also called 3rd generation types of PE, while PE80 types are primarily associated with the 2nd generation. There are barely any first generation PE types – PE63 under the modern classification – remaining on the market. Creep rupture strength has been tested by long-term tests as per ISO 1167, and calculated in accordance with ISO 9080. The most widespread in piping system construction is PE for use in underground gas and water pipe. In this area polyethylene has become the dominant material in many countries. However, the advantages of this material mean that it is also used in domestic installations and industrial piping.

Advantages of PE

- · Light weight
- · Excellent flexibility
- Good wear resistance (abrasion resistance)
- · Corrosion resistance
- · Ductile fracture properties
- High impact strength even at very low temperatures
- Very good chemical resistance
- Weldable

Mechanical properties, chemicals, weathering and abrasion resistance

Chemical resistance

Polyethylene exhibits good resistance to a wide range of media. For detailed information, please see the detailed chemical resistance list from GF Piping Systems, or contact the person responsible at GF Piping Systems directly.



Abrasion resistance

PE has excellent resistance to abrasive wear. You can therefore find PE piping systems in use in numerous applications for transporting solids and media containing solids. For many applications, PE has proven especially advantageous with metals.



Thermal properties and electrical properties

Operating limits

The application limits of the material depend on both embrittlement and softening temperatures and on the manner and method of application. Details are provided in the relevant pressure-temperature charts.



Electrical properties

Polyethylene, like most thermoplastics, is non-conductive. This means that systems in PE do not suffer from electrolytic corrosion. However, the non-conductive properties must be taken into consideration, as electrostatic charges can build up in the pipe. Polyethylene has good electrical insulation properties. The volume resistance is $3.5 \times 10^{16} \, \Omega \text{cm}$, the surface resistance $101^3 \, \Omega$. This must be taken into account in applications where there is danger of fire or explosion.



1.4.4 Fire behavior and fire prevention measures

Fire load

d/D (mm)	32/75	40/90	50/90	63/110	75/125	90/140	110/160	140/200
Fire load COOL-FIT 2.0 Pipe (kWh/m)	12.02	15.97	18.43	29.38	36.84	46.93	62.32	99.14

Fire prevention classes EN13501-1, VKF and British building codes

	COOL-FIT 2.0	COOL-FIT 2.0M	COOL-FIT 2.0/ mineral wool ²
	C		0
EN 13501-1	E	B - s1, d0	A2 _L
VKF	RF3*	RF2	RF1

National Class 0

National Class 0

- Test method according to BS 476-6 and BS 476-7
- ² Type: Rockwool 800
- * d32 + d140 and COOL-FIT 4.0 d >= d160mm



BS 5422:20091

National Class 3

Fire collars

Iln order to carry flammable pipe through fire protection bulkheads without compromising its safety function, fire protection collars must be used in accordance with local requirements and legislation.

The following fire collars have been tested with COOL-FIT 2.0 Pipe:

Product	Company	Approval
CP 644	Hilti	ETA10/0404
Bio racingite 7000011	Walraven	ETA-11/0208
ROKU® AWM II	Rold Kuhn GmbH	ETA-11/0208



System description

The above listed collars consist of a metal enclosure lined with multilayer, highly effective intumescent material. In the event of fire, the material expands with high pressure thus seals the opening hermetically against flames and smoke. For wall installations one pipe collar each side of the wall, for ceiling installations one collar at the underside of the collar must be provided.



Applications

- Sealing of plastic pipe up to max. 400 mm outside diameter in solid walls, drywall partitions and solid ceilings
- Sustainable for plastic pipe, fibre reinforced plastic-, and plastic multilayer pipe
- · Suitable for insulated and uninsulated plastic pipe and sound-isolated wastewater pipe

Minimal distances

Opening size	≤ 20 x 20 cm	≤ 40 x 40 cm	> 40 x 40 cm
against other pipe	10 cm	10 cm	20 cm
penetration systems			
against other	10 cm	20 cm	20 cm
openings			

Solutions for emergency corridors

Within emergency corridors the use of only non-combustible materials is allowed. The supplier Rockwool offers with Rockwool 800 a protection sleeve, made of mineral wool, which allows the use of normal combustible pipe within emergency areas. This solution is approved on pipe outer diameters of up to 160 mm.

For detailed information about Rockwool 800 see: www.rockwool.de



1.4.5 Hydraulic design

Determination of pipe diameter based on flow rate

As a first approximation, the required pipe cross-section for a certain flow rate can be calculated using the following formula

$$d_i = 18.8 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{Q_1}{v}} \quad \text{or} \quad d_i = 35.7 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{Q_2}{v}}$$

v flow velocity (m/s)

di Pipe internal diameter (mm)

 Q_1 Flow rate (m³/h)

Q₂ Flow rate (l/s)

18.8 Conversion factor for units Q₁ (m³/h)

35.7 Conversion factor for units Q_2 (l/s)



Example calculation of an internal diameter di

COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe SDR11 Flow rate Q_2 8 l/s Usual flow velocity v 1.5 m/s

$$d_i = 35.7 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{8}{1.5}} = 82.4 \text{ mm}$$

A pipe with d90/d140 is used. After the internal diameter has been determined that way, the actual flow rate is determined with the following formula:

$$v = 354 \cdot \frac{Q_1}{d_i^2} = 1.9 \cdot \frac{m}{s}$$
 or $v = 1275 \cdot \frac{Q_2}{d_i^2} = 1.9 \cdot \frac{m}{s}$

v Flow velocity v (m/s)

d_i Pipe internal diameter (mm)

 Q_1 Flow rate (m³/h)

Q₂ Flow rate (l/s)

354 Conversion factor for units Q_1 (m³/h)

1275 Conversion factor for units Q_2 (l/s)

Determination of pipe diameter based on cooling capacity (kW)

As a first approximation, the required pipe cross section for a certain cooling capacity can be calculated using the following formula.

$$di = 18.8 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{Q_L \cdot 3600}{\Delta T \cdot c \cdot \rho}\right)}{V}}$$

di Pipe inner diameter (mm)

 Q_L Cooling capacity in kW

ΔT Temperature difference supply - return (K)

c Specific heat capacity (kW*s/(kg*K))

ρ Density of the medium (kg/m³)

v Flow velocity (m/s)



Example for calculating the inner diameter di based on cooling capacity with water medium water

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Cooling capacity } \mbox{Q}_L & 200 \ \mbox{kW} \\ \mbox{Specific heat capacity } (20 \ ^{\circ}\mbox{C}) \ \mbox{c} & 4.187 \ \mbox{kJ/(kg*K)} \\ \mbox{Water density } (20 \ ^{\circ}\mbox{C}) \ \mbox{ρ} & 998.2 \ \mbox{kg/m}^{3} \\ \mbox{Temperature difference } \Delta T & 10 \ \mbox{K} \\ \mbox{Flow velocity v} & 1.5 \ \mbox{m/s} \\ \end{array}$

$$di = 18.8 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{200 \cdot 3600}{10 \cdot 4.187 \cdot 998.2}\right)}{1.5}} = 18.8 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{17.227}{1.5}} = 63.71 \text{ mm}$$

The flow rate should be estimated on the basis of the intended purpose of the pipe. As a guide for the flow rate, the following specifications apply.

Liquids

v = 0.5 - 1.0 m/s for the suction side

v = 1.0 - 3.0 m/s for the pressure side

Gases

v = 10 - 30 m/s

This method of calculation of pipe diameter does not allow for hydraulic losses. They must be calculated separately. The following sections serve that purpose.

(m^3/h)	(l/min)	(l/s)	(m³/s)
1.0	16.67	0.278	2.78 x 10 ⁻⁴
0.06	1.0	0.017	1.67 x 10 ⁻⁵
3.6	60	1.0	1.00 x 10 ⁻³
3600	60 000	1000	1.0

Conversion table with units of flow rate.

Correlation of outer diameter - inner diameter

To determine the outer diameter based on the internal diameter and SDR, the following formula can be used:

$$d = d_i \cdot \frac{SDR}{SDR - 2}$$

Correlation between pipe external and internal diameter

d _i (mm)	16	20	26	33	41	52	61	74	90	102	115
d (mm)	20	25	32	40	50	63	75	90	110	125	140

1.4.6 Nomogram for easy calculation of diameter and pressure loss

The nomogram below can be used to simplify the determination of the diameter required .The pressure loss in the pipe can be read off per meter of the pipe length.

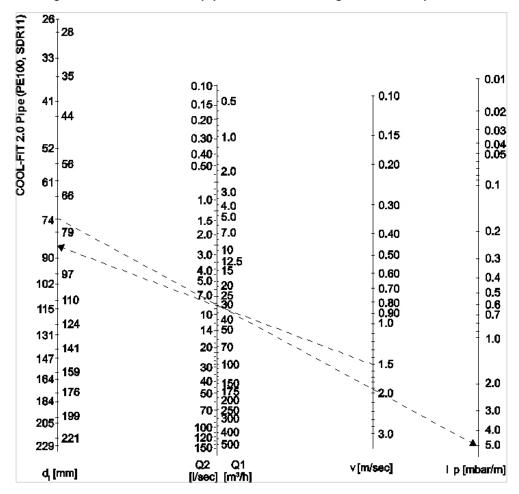


The pressure loss calculated using the nomogram only applies to flows of substances with density 1000 kg/m^3 , i.e. water. Further pressure losses from fittings, valves, etc. also need to be considered using the instructions that follow.

Using the nomogram

Based on a flow velocity of 1.5 m/s, a line is drawn through the desired flow rate (i.e. $30 \text{ m}^3/h$) to the axis which shows an internal diameter di ($\approx 84 \text{ mm}$). Here, a closely matching diameter (74 mm for SDR11) and a second line is drawn back through the desired flow rate to the pressure drop axis Δp (5 mbar per meter of pipe).

Nomogram for COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe (PE, SDR11) using the metric system.



For detailed information on the determination of diameter and pressure loss, see Planning Fundamentals "Hydraulic calculation and pressure losses of metric industrial piping systems".

1.4.7 Pressure loss

Pressure loss in straight pipe

In determining pressure losses in straight pipe sections, a distinction is made between laminar and turbulent flows. The Reynolds number (Re) determines this. The change from laminar to turbulent occurs at the critical Reynolds number $Re_{\rm crit} = 2320$.

In practice laminar flows occur particularly for the movement of viscous liquids such as lubricating oils. In most applications, thus including flows of aqueous materials, there is turbulent flow with a substantially more uniform velocity distribution over the pipe cross-section than in laminar flow.

The pressure loss in a straight pipe section is inversely proportional to the pipe diameter and is calculated as follows:

$$\Delta p_R = \lambda \cdot \frac{L}{d_i} \cdot \frac{\rho}{2 \cdot 10^2} \cdot v^2$$

ΔpR Pressure loss in the straight pipe run (bar)

Pipe friction factor = 0.02

L Length of the straight pipe section (m)

d_i Inner diameter of the pipe (mm)

 ρ Density of the flow material (kg/m³) (1 g/cm³ = 1000 kg/m³)

v Flow velocity v (m/s)



In practice, when making a rough calculation (i.e. smooth plastic pipe and turbulent flow) it is enough to use the value λ = 0.02 to represent the hydraulic pressure loss.

Pressure losses in fittings

Coefficient of resistance

The pressure losses depend upon the type of fitting as well as on the flow in the fitting. The so-called coefficient of

resistance (ζ -value) is used for calculations.

Fitting type	Coefficient of resi	stance ζ
Elbow 90°	1.2	
Elbow 45°	0.3	•
T-90 ° 1)	1.3	•
Reducer (contraction)	0.5	•
Reducer (enlargement)	1.0	-
Connections (couplers, unions, flanges)	d20: 1.0	d50: 0.6
	d25: 0.9	d63: 0.4
	d32: 0.8	d75: 0.3
	d40: 0.7	d90: 0.1
		>d90: 0.1
	•	•

1) For a more detailed view, differentiate between coalescence and separation. Values for z up to a maximum of 1.3 can be found in the respective literature. Usually the part of a tee in the overall pressure loss is very small, therefore in most cases $\zeta = 1.3$ can be used.

Calculation of the pressure loss

To calculate the total pressure loss in all fittings in a piping system, take the sum of the individual losses, i. e. the sum of

all the ζ -values. The pressure loss can then be calculated according to the following formula:

$$\begin{split} \Delta p_{\text{Fi}} &= \Sigma \zeta \cdot \frac{v^2}{2 \cdot 10^5} \cdot \rho \\ \Delta p_{\text{Fi}} &\quad \text{Pressure loss of all fittings (bar)} \\ \Sigma \zeta &\quad \text{Sum of all individual losses} \\ v &\quad \text{Flow velocity v (m/s)} \\ \rho &\quad \text{Density of the medium in kg/m}^3 \, (1 \, \text{g/cm}^3 = 1000 \, \text{kg/m}^3) \end{split}$$

Pressure losses in valves

The k_{ν} factor is a convenient means of calculating the hydraulic flow rates for valves. It allows for all internal

resistances and for practical purposes is regarded as reliable. It is defined as the flow rate of water in liters per

minute with a pressure drop of 1 bar across the valve. The technical data of the GF Piping Systems valves contains

the k_{ν} values as well as pressure loss charts. The latter make it possible to read off the pressure loss directly. But

the pressure loss can also be calculated from the kv value according to the following formula:

$$\begin{split} \Delta p_{\text{Ar}} &= \left(\frac{Q}{k_{\text{v}}}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{\rho}{1000} \\ \Delta p_{\text{Ar}} &\quad \text{Pressure loss for the valve (bar)} \\ Q &\quad \text{Flow rate } (\text{m}^3/\text{h}) \\ \rho &\quad \text{Density of the conveyed medium } (\text{kg/m}^3) \text{ (1 g/cc} = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3) \\ k_{\text{v}} &\quad \text{Valve characteristic value } (\text{m}^3/\text{h}) \end{split}$$

Pressure difference between the static pressure

If the piping system is installed vertically, then a geodetic pressure difference must be calculated for it. This pressure difference is calculated as follows:

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\begin{array}{ll} \Delta p_{geod} = \Delta H_{geod} \cdot \rho \cdot 10^{-4} \\ \\ \Delta p_{geod} & \text{Geodetic pressure difference (bar)} \\ \\ \Delta H_{geod} & \text{Difference in elevation of the piping system (m)} \\ \\ \rho & \text{Density of the medium (kg/m}^3) \ (1 \ \text{g/cm}^3 = 1000 \ \text{kg/m}^3) \end{array}
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Sum of pressure losses

The sum of all pressure drops for a piping system is calculated as follows:

$$\Sigma\Delta p = \Delta p_{R} + \Delta p_{Fi} + \Delta p_{Ar} + \Delta p_{geo}$$



Example for pressure drop calculations

The following example illustrates the calculation process for determining the pressure loss of a piping system.

		Number of Fittings
COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe	d40 mm	12 x 90° angle
SDR11 – flow rate	1.5 l/s	4 x 45° angle
Medium	Wasser	3 x T-piece
Density of the medium	1.0 g/cm³	3 x screws
Length straight pipe	15 m	2 x flange connections
Height difference	2.0 m	1 x ball valve, 80 % opened

The wall thickness of the piping system can be calculated as follows with the SDR:

$$e = \frac{d}{SDR} = \frac{40 \text{ mm}}{11} = 3.6 \text{ mm}$$

The inner diameter of the piping system is as follows:

$$d_i = d - 2 \cdot e = d - \frac{2 \cdot d}{SDR} = 32.8 \text{ mm}$$

With the desired flow rate of 1.5 l/s, the flow velocity is as follows:

$$v = 1275 \cdot \frac{Q_2}{d_1^2} = 1275 \cdot \frac{1.5}{32.8^2} \frac{m}{sec} = 1.78 \frac{m}{sec}$$

Pressure loss	Formula
Pressure loss for straight pipe sections	$\Delta p_R = 0.02 \cdot \frac{15}{32.8} \cdot \frac{1000}{2 \cdot 10^2} \cdot 1.78^2 = 0.14 \text{ bar}$
Pressure loss for fittings incl.	$\Sigma \zeta = (12 \cdot 1.2) + (4 \cdot 0.3) + (3 \cdot 1.3) + (5 \cdot 0.7) = 23$
connections	$\Delta p_{\text{Fi}} = 23 \cdot \frac{1.78^2}{2 \cdot 10^5} \cdot 1000 = 0.36 \text{ bar}$
Pressure loss for the valve 80 % opened. With the flow characteristics diagram for ball valves type 546, from an 80% open angle a percentile kv value of 50 % can be read out, that means 50 % of the kv value 100: $0.5 * 60 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$ (flow rate $1.5 \text{ l/s} = 5.4 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$)	$\Delta p_{Ar} = \left(\frac{5.4}{0.5 \cdot 60}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1000}{1000} = 0.03 \text{ bar}$
Pressure loss of height difference	$\Delta p_{geod} = 2.0 \cdot 1000 \cdot 10^{-4} = 0.2 \text{ bar}$
Whole pressure loss of the piping	$\Sigma\Delta p$ = 0.14 bar + 0.36 bar + 0.03 bar + 0.2 bar = 0.73 bar
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Formulas for calculating pressure losses



1.4.8 Dimension comparison COOL-FIT 2.0 / 2.0M vs metal

COOL-FIT 2.0 / 2.0M			Stainless	steel	Copper pipe
d (mm)	d _i (mm)	DN	Inch	da (mm	da (mm)
32	26.3	25	1	33.7	28
40	32.6	32	11/4	42.4	35
50	40.8	40	1½	48.3	42
63	51.4	50	2	60.3	54
75	61.4	65	21/2	75.3	76.1
90	73.6	80	3	88.9	88.9
110	90.0	100	4	114.3	108
140	114.6	125	5	140.3	_

- d Nominal external diameter of PE pipe
- d_i Nominal internal diameter of pipe

1.4.9 Z-dimension method

Overview

The pressure of competition and high costs on site makes it essential to install piping system systems efficiently. The GF Piping

Systems method of assembly is highly suited to this task. It replaces the tedious and time-consuming cutting to size of one pipe at a time by a fast and precise way of preparing whole groups of pipe according to plans or jigs.

The respective pipe group with the corresponding design dimensions and cut lengths can be entered in the isometric paper of GF Piping Systems.

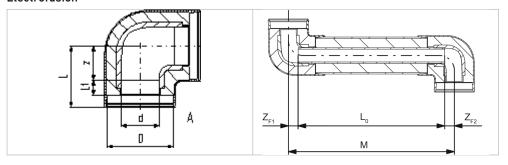
Please adhere to the following guidelines for drawing:

Pipe running perpendicular to one another Pipe running diagonally Horizontally: left and right Vertical Horizontally: front and rear

The z-dimensions of the fittings are needed for determining the actual cutting lengths of the pipe. The tables in our product ranges and in the online catalogues contain all the relevant data for the fittings. The length of pipe to be cut is given as in the following diagram by the distance between the center of adjoining fittings less the sum of the z-dimension of the fittings.

Procedure

Electrofusion



Formula for determining the required pipe length

$$\mathsf{L}_0 = \mathsf{M} - \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{F}1} - \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{F}2}$$

L₀ Pipe length to be cut

M Center to center distance between fittings

 z_{F1} z-measurement for fitting 1

 z_{F2} z-measurement for fitting 2



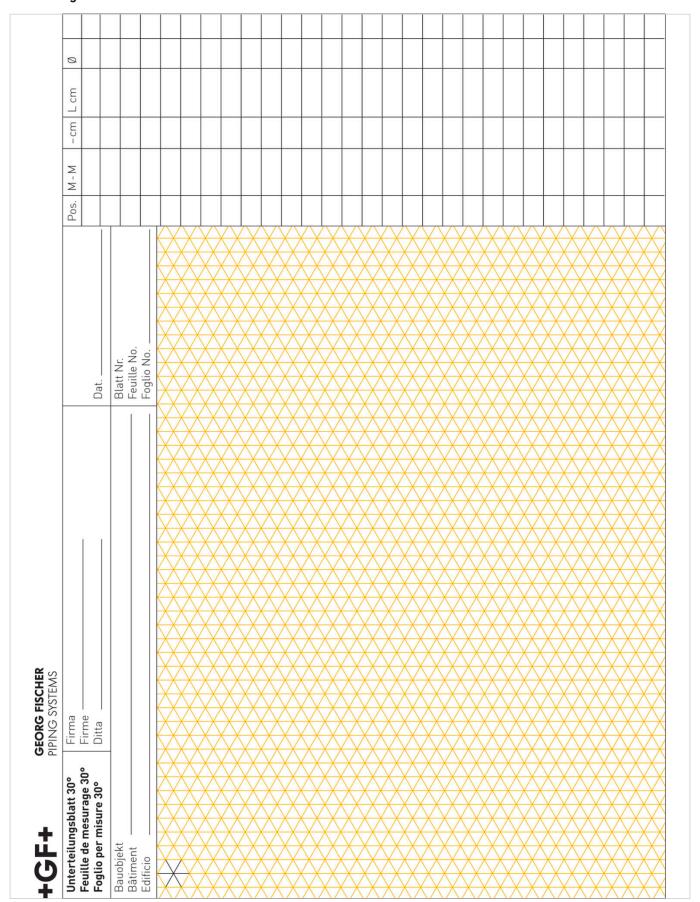
Example

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Dimension} & \text{d32/D75} \\ \text{Center to center distance M} & \text{1000 mm} \\ \text{z measurement for 90° elbow z}_{F1} & \text{20 mm} \\ \text{z measurement for 90° elbow z}_{F2} & \text{20 mm} \\ \end{array}$

M = 1000 mm; $L_0 = ?$

 $L_0 = 1000 \text{ mm} - 20 \text{ mm} - 20 \text{ mm} = 960 \text{ mm}$

Measuring sheet



1.4.10 Length changes and flexible sections

Overview

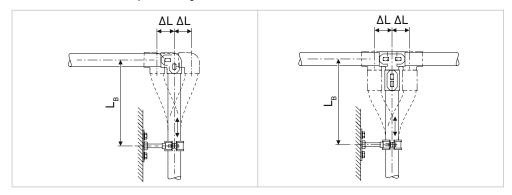
Length changes ΔL and expansion bend L_B - General

Thermoplastics are subject to greater thermal expansion and contraction than metallic materials. Pipe installed above ground, against walls or in ducts, require changes in length to be taken up in order to prevent any superimposed extra strain on the pipe. This applies especially to pipe exposed to operating temperature variations.

To accommodate a change in length, the following options can be considered:

- A Flexible sections
- B Flexible hoses
- C Compensators

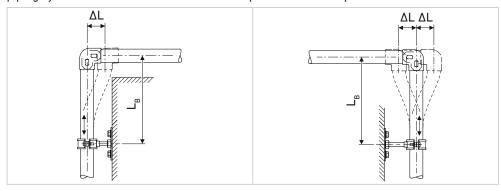
Flexible sections are the most common, the simplest and the most economical solution. The calculations for and the positioning of flexible sections are therefore described in detail.



 ΔL Change in length L_B Flexible section

Fundamentals

The low elasticity of thermoplastics allows changes in length to be taken up by special pipe sections, where pipe supports are positioned so that they can take advantage of the natural flexibility of the material. The length of such sections is determined by the diameter of the piping system and the extent of the thermal expansion to be compensated.

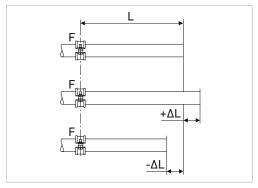


Flexible sections arise naturally at any branching or change in direction of the piping system. The movement LB of the flexible section as a result of a change ΔL in the length must not be restrained by fixed pipe brackets, wall protrusions, girders or the like.

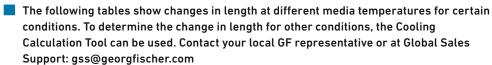
Calculation of length changes

To determine the **change in length due to temperature** ΔL (mm) of COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe, the following temperatures must be known:

- 1. Installation temperature
- Minimum flow temperature
- · Maximum flow temperature
- Minimum ambient temperature
- · Maximum ambient temperature



- Fixpoint
- L Length of pipe section





Example of use:

Installation temperature 25 °C

Min. ambient temperature25 °C konstantMax. ambient temperature25 °C konstantMin. flow temperatureSiehe Tabelle

Max. flow temperature 25 °C

Length change ΔL (mm) at 20° C flow temperature				•	Length change ΔL (mm) at 15° C flow temperature				
L (m)	25	50	100	150	L (m)	25	50	100	150
d32	-6	-12	-24	-36	d32	-12	-24	-49	-73
d40	-7	-15	-29	-44	d40	-15	-29	-58	-87
d50	-10	-19	-38	-58	d50	-19	-38	-77	-115
d63	-10	-19	-38	-58	d63	-19	-38	-76	-115
d75	-11	-21	-43	-64	d75	-21	-43	-85	-128
d90	-12	-24	-48	-72	d90	-24	-48	-96	-144
d110	-13	-27	-54	-81	d110	-27	-54	-108	-161
d140	-14	-27	-55	-82	d140	-27	-55	-109	-164

L laid pipe length

Length change ΔL (mm) at 10° C flow temperature						Length change ΔL (mm) at 5° C flow temperature					
L (m)	25	50	100	150	L (m)	25	50	100	150		
d32	-18	-36	-73	-109	d32	-24	-49	-97	-146		
d40	-22	-44	-87	-131	d40	-29	-58	-116	-175		
d50	-29	-58	-115	-173	d50	-39	-77	-154	-213		
d63	-29	-57	-115	-172	d63	-38	-76	-153	-229		
d75	-32	-64	-128	-191	d75	-43	-85	-170	-255		
d90	-36	-72	-144	-216	d90	-48	-96	-192	-288		
d110	-40	-81	-161	-242	d110	-54	-108	-215	-323		
d140	-41	-82	-164	-246	d140	-55	-109	-218	-327		

laid pipe length

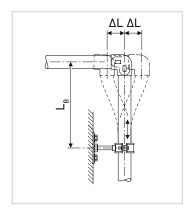


Flexible sections for COOL-FIT 2.0

Flexible Section L_B

The values for L_B (cm) from this table can be used for a given ΔL (mm) and the relevant pipe size:

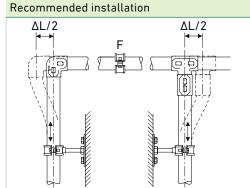
Flexible section L_B (cm)													
ΔL (mm)	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	150	200	300
d32	71	101	123	142	159	174	188	201	214	225	276	318	390
d40	78	110	135	156	174	191	206	221	234	247	302	349	427
d50	78	110	135	156	174	191	206	221	234	247	302	349	427
d63	86	122	149	173	193	211	228	244	259	273	334	386	472
d75	92	130	159	184	206	225	243	260	276	291	356	411	503
d90	97	138	169	195	218	238	257	275	292	308	377	435	533
d110	104	147	180	208	233	255	275	294	312	329	403	465	570
d140	116	164	201	233	260	285	308	329	349	368	450	520	637



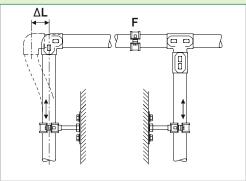
1.4.11 Installation

Recommendations for installation

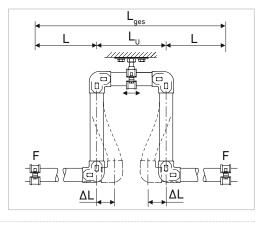
Length changes in pipe sections should always be accommodated through the arrangement of fixed brackets. The following examples show how the changes can be distributed in pipe sections by suitable positioning of fixed brackets:



Not recommended installation



Expansion loops can be installed to take up changes in length when flexible sections cannot be included at a change in direction or branch in the piping system or if substantial changes in the length of a straight section need to be taken up. In such a case the compensation for changes in length is distributed over two flexible sections.



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Bending stress can lead to leaks in mechanical joints.

Do not use any unions or flanged connections close to expansion bends and loops.

Pre-tensioning

In particularly difficult situations with large changes in one direction only, it is possible to pre-tensioning the flexible section during installation and thereby shorten its length L_{B} , as illustrated in the next example:



Example

Pipe length L 25 m

Diameter d50/D90 mm

Installation temperature 25 °C

Min ambient temperature 25 °C konstant Max ambient temperature 25 °C konstant

Min flow temperature $10 \, ^{\circ}\text{C}$ Max flow temperature $25 \, ^{\circ}\text{C}$

Change in length from the table or Cooling Calculation Tool:

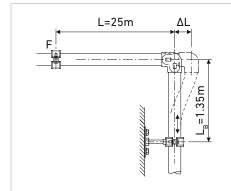
 $-\Delta L = 29 \text{ mm}$

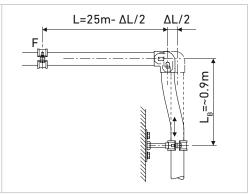
A flexible section to take up a change in length of \pm 4 = 29 mm needs to be L_B (mm)

= \sim 1350 mm long according to the table.

If the flexible section is pre-tensioned to $\Delta L/2$, the flexible section required is reduced to ~94 cm. The change in length starting from the 0 position is then +/- $\Delta L/2 = 29/2 = 14.5$ mm.

By pre-tensioning the flexible section makes it possible to reduce its required length in installations where space is restricted. Pre-stressing also reduces the bending of the flexible section in service, improving the appearance of the piping system.





1.4.12 Pipe bracket spacing and support of piping systems

Overview

Installation of plastic pipe

COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe should be installed using supports designed for use with plastics and should then be installed taking care not to damage or overstress the pipe.

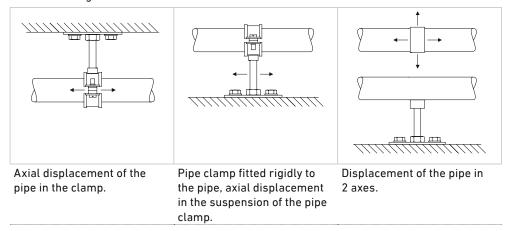
Thanks to the excellent insulating properties of the COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe and its hard, impact resistant outer jacket, standard pipe clamps may be used. Special insulation pipe clamps or cold clamps are not necessary.



Arranging loose brackets

What is a loose bracket?

A loose bracket is a pipe bracket which allows axial movement of the pipe. This allows stress-free compensation of temperature changes and compensation of any other operating condition changes.

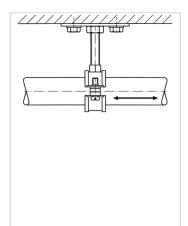


The inner diameter of the bracket must be larger than the outer diameter of the pipe to allow free movement of the pipe. The inner edges of the brackets should be free from any sharp contours to avoid damaging the pipe surface.

Another method is to use brackets with spacers in the bolts which also avoids clamping the bracket on the pipe

The axial movement of the piping may not be hindered by fittings arranged next to the pipe bracket or other diameter changes.

Sliding brackets and hanging brackets permit the pipe to move in different directions. Attaching a sliding block to the base of the pipe bracket permits free movement of the pipe along a flat supporting surface. Sliding and hanging brackets are needed in situations where the piping system changes direction and free movement of the pipe must be allowed.

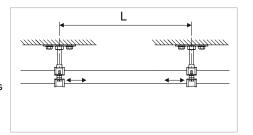


Spacers prevent pinching the pipe

Pipe bracket spacing

The pipe bracket spacing have been determined for conveying water on the basis of a specific deflection of the pipe between two clamps considered acceptable.

The pipe bracket spacing for COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe is always consistent independent of pressure and temperature.



Pipe clamp spacing

Pipe clamp intervals L for COOL-FIT 2.0

d/D (mm)	32/75	40/90	50/90	63/110	75/125	90/140	110/160	140/200
L (mm)	1600	1700	1700	1850	1950	2000	2100	2350

Pipe clamp intervals L for COOL-FIT 2.0M

d/D (mm)	32/75	40/90	50/90	63/110	75/125	90/140	110/160
L (mm)	2400	2600	2500	2700	2900	3000	3200

The pipe clamp intervals from the table can be increased by 30% for vertical pipe. Multiply the values given by 1.3 in this case.



Pipe which are axially clamped and rigidly fixed must be tested for their resistance to kinking. In most cases, this test results in a reduction of the maximum internal pressure and more tightly spaced supports. The forces acting on the fixed points should be considered.

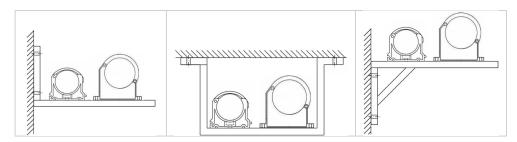
KLIP-IT pipe brackets

These robust plastic pipe brackets can be used not only under rigorous operating conditions, but also where the pipework is subject to aggressive media or atmospheric conditions. Pipe brackets and pipe clamps from GF Piping Systems are suitable for all pipe materials used.

Do not use KLIP-IT pipe brackets as fixed points!



From d90 upwards KLIP-IT pipe clamps must be mounted upright, as in the installation examples below.



Arranging fixed points

A fixed point is a bracket which prevents the pipe from moving in any direction. The purpose of a fixed point is to control tension caused by temperature changes and guide elongation in a certain direction.



Fixed point design

The pipe must not be fixed by clamping it in the pipe bracket. This can cause deformation and physical damage to the pipe, damage that sometimes does not appear until very much later.



Pipe brackets must be robust and mounted firmly to be able to take up the forces arising from changes in length in the piping system. Hanging brackets or KLIP-IT pipe brackets are unsuitable for use as fixed points.

COOL-FIT 2.0 / 2.0M fixed point

Fixed points for COOL-FIT 2.0, COOL-FIT ABS Plus and COOL-FIT PE Plus are established with the special COOL-FIT Plus fixed points. The product consists of fusion bands and pipe brackets. Electrofusion bands as permanent joints transmit the forces that occur in the pipe to the fixed point. The supplied pipe brackets serve to build up the fusion pressure during installation of the fusion bands and provide stability during operation. For fusion, use an MSA 2.x, MSA 4.x, MSA 250, 300, 350, 400 or commercially available 220-V electrofusion unit. If you use an MSA electrofusion unit by GF Piping Systems, use the adaptor with code No. 799.350.339 or the y-cable kit wit code No. 790 156 032. Please take note of the maximum allowed forces in the table below.



Diameter (mm)	d32/	d40/	d50/	d63/	d75/	d90/	d110 /	d140 /
	D75	D90	D90	D110	D125	D140	D160	D200
Maximum force F (kN)	2.0	3.0	5.0	8.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0



igtriangle COOL-FIT 2.0 fixed points must be calculated on the basis of the application. Fixed point brackets and cross braces are not included.

Scope of delivery



Y-cable kit for COOL-FIT fixed points

The COOL-FIT Y-cables can be used for a faster installation of COOL-FIT 2.0 fix points. Since electrofusion bands always come in pairs, Y-cables allow for a simultaneous fusion process, cutting fusion time in half.

- 1 Clamps to maintain fusion pressure
- (2) Electrofusion band

1.4.13 Hoses

Installation of elastomer hoses

To ensure the usability of hose lines and to avoid shortening their service life through additional stresses, please note the following:

- · Hose lines must be installed so that their natural position and movement is not hindered.
- During operation, hose lines must in principle not be subjected to external forces such as tension, torsion and compression, unless they have been specially made for the purpose.
- The minimum radius of curvature specified by the manufacturer must be observed.
- Buckling is to be avoided, particularly by the joint.
- Before putting the system into operation, check that the mechanical connections are properly tightened.
- If there is visible external damage, the hose line must not be put into operation.
- The connection fittings should be firmly screwed together.

Proper use of the hose line

- · Pressure: do not exceed maximum permitted working pressure and operating vacuum
- Temperature: do not exceed maximum permitted temperature for the medium

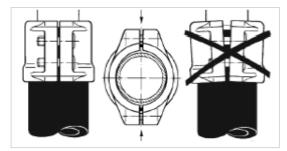
Storage

- Store in a cool, dry and dust-free area; avoid direct sunlight or ultraviolet irradiation; protect from nearby heat sources. Piping must not come into contact with substances that can cause damage.
- Hoses and hose assemblies must be stored horizontally, free of tension or bending forces.

Maintenance

In the event of major temperature fluctuations, we recommend regular visual inspection of the hose line.

• In the event of leaks/spills, the clamps should be tightened evenly crosswise. The clamp jaws should whenever possible leave a gap and not be closed flush. The gap should be parallel and the same width on each side.



1.4.14 COOLING Tool-Box

The GF Piping Systems Cooling Calculation Tool is used to help in the dimensioning and design of cooling systems.

The Cooling Calculation Tool handles:

- Expansion, contraction
- · Flexible section design
- Energy savings
- · Pipe exterior temperature
- · Pipe dimensioning
- Pressure loss
- · Dew point/insulation thickness
- · Pipe bracket spacing
- · Freezing time
- · Weight comparison
- CO₂ footprint

The most common coolants are already stored in the calculation tool. It calculates all system components, such as pipe, fittings and valves. Its menu-based navigation is available in nine languages and allows for efficient and optimized dimensioning of a system. Data for the most commonly used coolants are already stored in the calculation tool. It calculates all system components such as pipe, fittings and valves. The menu is available in nine different languages. It allows system design to be efficient and optimized.

The "comparison" function compares a COOL-FIT system to a steel, stainless steel or copper system.



Cooling Calculations Tool: Get it contact with your GF representative or Global Sales Support: gss@georgfischer.com



1.5 Jointing and Installation

1.5.1 Jointing of COOL-FIT 2.0/2.0M

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For general notes and information on electrofusion, see Planning Fundamentals Chapter "Jointing technology", section "Electrofusion joints".

General advice

The quality of a weld is largely determined by careful preparation. The welding surface must be protected from adverse weather conditions such as rain, snow or wind. The permissible temperature range for fusion is -10 $^{\circ}$ C to 45 $^{\circ}$ C. National regulations must be observed. In direct sunlight, shielding of the welding area can help to create an even temperature profile around the whole circumference of the pipe. It is particularly important to ensure that the climate conditions are the same for both the electrofusion machine and the welding area.

Executing electrofusion

Protect the welding area

The surfaces to be welded on the pipe and the fitting must be carefully protected from dirt, grease, oils and lubricants. Only cleaning agents suitable for PE must be used.



No fats (i.e. hand cream, oily rags, silicone, etc.) must be introduced into the fusion zone!

Without touching the surface, remove product immediately before the installation from packaging

If necessary, prepare the pipe for fusion joints using the Foam removal tool (foam removal, cutting the jacket and peeling the media pipe) and check afterwards that the shaving thickness is 0.2 - 0.4 mm and that the minimum permissible external diameter after peeling is met:

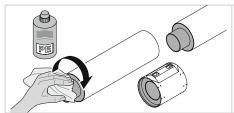
COOL-FIT 2.0 valves and COOL-FIT 2.0 fittings (type B and barrel nipple) do not need to be peeled.



Minimum permitted pipe external diameter after peeling for COOL-FIT 2.0/2.0M:

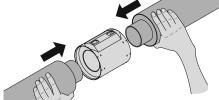
d/D (mm)	32/75	40/90	50/90	63/110	75/125	90/140	110/160	140/200
Min. d (mm)	31.5	39.5	49.5	62.5	74.4	89.4	109.4	139.4

Cleaning and installation for welding preparation



Step 1

Clean the fusion area of the components with PE cleaner and lintfree colourless and clean cloth in circumferential direction.



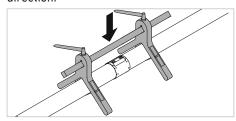
Step 2

Insert pipe in clamping tool and align free of stress. Push fitting up to the limit stop on the pipe.



Step 3

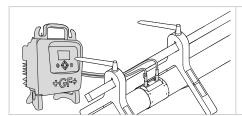
Pay attention that the sealing lip arches upwards. Mark end of lip on pipe (to check the change in position during welding).



Step 4

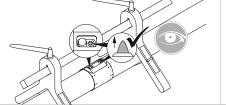
Take care for low stress installation and secure the pipe and fitting against dislocation. Tight clamps of clamping tool.

Fusion process



Step 5

Fuse in accordance to the operating instructions of the fusion unit.

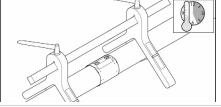


Step 6

During and after fusion, check fusion indicators on the electrofusion fitting and note the messages on the display of the electrofusion machine.

Afterwards mark the fitting with following information

- Date
- Welder/ Weld number
- Time at the end of cooling time



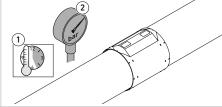
Step 7

Ensure fusion area remains stress free and avoid dislocation until cooling time has elapsed.



Step 8

After fusion process, fit the insulation of the weld pins onto the fusion contacts and remove retaining device



Step 9

After cooling perform pressure tests as per table.

Cooling times before removing retention device and pressure/leak testing

d (mm)	Cooling time before Remove retention device [min.]	Cooling time before internal pressure test at ≤ 6 bar [min.]	Cooling time before internal pressure test at ≤ 18 bar [h]
32	10	15	3
40	10	15	5
50	10	15	4
63	10	20	5
75	15	25	6
90	20	35	8
110	30	35	8
140	45	60	8

The values are valid for pressure tests using a liquid at \leq 20 ° C. For testing with gas a cooling time of 12 hours is recommended.

Valves and flange joints

Following insertion depths are valid for COOL-FIT 2.0 / 2.0M components:

d/D (mm)	32/75	40/90	50/90	63/110	75/125	90/140	110/160	140/200
L1 (mm)	36	40	44	48	55	62	72	84

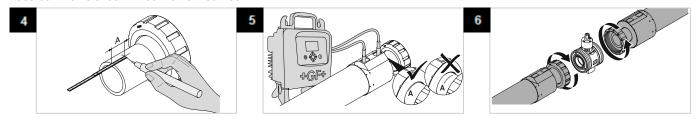
Preparation of fitting – remove sealing lip on one side, clean the sealing surfaces



For the jointing to a valve or flange adaptor, the sealing lip of the fitting has to be removed at the valve or flange adaptor side and sealing and fusion surfaces have to be cleaned.

Standard fusion

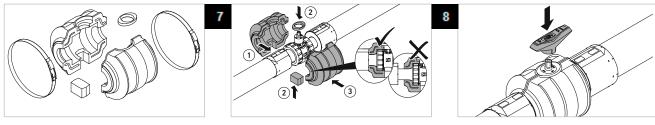
Fuse both valve ends without valve mounted



Following insertion depths are valid for COOL-FIT 2.0 / 2.0M components:

d/D (mm)	32/75	40/90	50/90	63/110	75/125	90/140	110/160	140/200
L1 (mm)	36	40	44	48	55	62	72	84

Mounting the valve insulation





Further information can be found in the assembly instructions. "Insalation for Ball Valve" and "Isalation for Butterfly Valve and Flange Adapter".

Compact connection fitting-to-fitting

When there is enough space, Fitting-to-Pipe-to-Fitting connections can be realized using a short COOL-FIT 2.0 pipe. The foam removal tool enables the foam removal of pipe lengths of \sim 110mm for the dimensions d32-d90, or respectively \sim 170mm for the dimensions d110-d140.

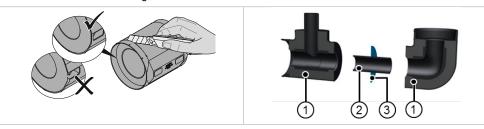
Shorter connections Fitting-to-Pipe-to-Fitting can be realized using an un-insulated PE100 SDR11 pipe in combination with a piece of insulation that results of an foam removal process of the foam removal tool.



After the peeling of the oxid layer of the un-insulated PE pipe, the insulation ring is pulled over the pipe and the pipe is welded with the fitting.

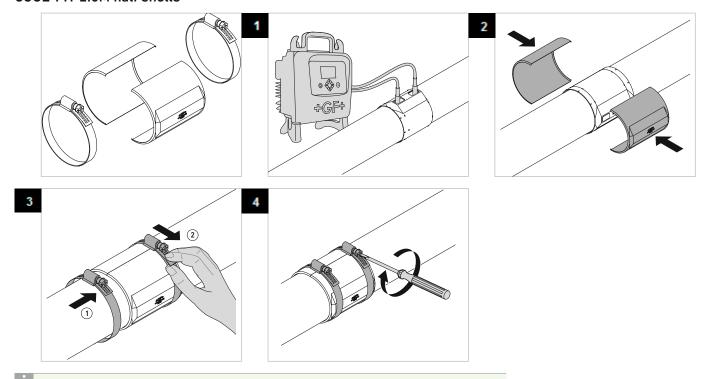
d	d32	d40	d50	d63	d75	d90	d110	d140
L (mm)	108	120	132	144	165	186	216	252

For situations with very limited space the sealing lip at the fittings can be removed at the respective side. The jointing of the Fitting-to-Fitting is performed using a barrel nipple, the sealing of the insulation is being done with an adhesive ring which is to adhered to the cleaned surface of the fittings.



- L: Length of un-insulated PE100 SDR11 pipe needed
- 1) Fittings
- 2 Barrel nipple
- 3 Adhesive ring

COOL-FIT 2.0M half shells



Further information can be found in the installation instructions "COOL-FIT 2.0M – metal half shells".

Hoses

Installation and handling Description instructions (false/correct) Ensure hose is long enough to observe the minimum radius of curvature. Avoid excessive bending of hoses, use elbows. Avoid fluctuating bending stress and excessive curvature behind the fitting, use elbows. Where there is significant axial expansion, the direction of movement and hose axis must lie in the same plane in order to avoid torsion. Avoid excessive bending stress by using elbows. If the hose absorbs expansion, it must be installed transversally to the direction of expansion. For large lateral movements, a $90\,^{\circ}$ angle should be allowed. Expansion take-up must be in the plane of the pipe; torsion should be avoided. For major axial expansion, the pipe must be installed in a U-shape to avoid kinking.

Transition Fittings

The GF Piping Systems range of fittings provides a variety of transitions and threaded fittings to connect plastic piping components to pipe, fittings or valves in metal (or vice versa). The metal threads Rp and R can be sealed with hemp or PTFE tape as long as the counterpart is not made of plastic. Male and female G threads must be sealed with flat gaskets. The advantage of a threaded G connection is radial and torsion-free possibility for installing and uninstalling.

Next to the traditional transition to metal piping, these fittings can also be used to connect a manometers.



igtriangle To prevent electrochemical corrosion, stainless steel connecting elements should preferably be used for steel transitions and brass connecting elements for transitions to non-ferrous metals.

Combining G and R threads

The connection of a male parallel pipe thread G in accordance with EN ISO 228-1, with a female parallel pipe thread Rp in accordance with ISO 7-1 is not intended according to standards. A tight connection is possible under favorable conditions, but cannot be established reliably.

Connecting the insulations of Transition Fittings and jointing elements of Flexible Hoses

The NBR insulation of the COOL-FIT 2.0 Transition Fittings is applied following the jointing of the COOL-FIT 2.0 Transition Fittings with the COOL-FIT 2.0 Fitting Type A, and the mechanical jointing of the threaded components of Hose and Transition Fitting. The NBR insulation of Transition Fittings and of the Flexible Hoses' jointing elements are being supplied with axial adhesive tapes. The adhesive tapes are used for a condensation proof axial sealing of the NBR insulation. The radial jointing of the jointing face of the NBR insulation can be applied either by adhesive cement of by adhesive tape.

Jointing Instructions for the adhesive cement

The adhesive should be thoroughly stirred before use. A thin film is applied by means of the brush to both surfaces to be bonded. Doing this, the consumption is $\sim 0.2 - 0.25 \text{kg/m}^2$.

The open joint time is about 3:15 minutes depending on temperature and humidity of air.

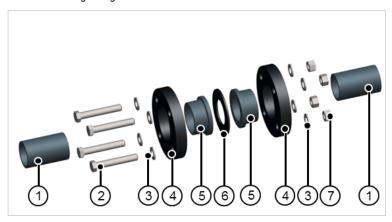
Before the coated surfaces are brought together the, the adhesive must still be tacky but should not transfer to the skin when finger-tested. The surfaces should be brought together quickly and firmly and should be held together for a few seconds.

The recommended temperature and for storage and processing is in the range between +15°C and 25°C. The adhesive should not be used below +10°C.



Flange connections

Flanges with sufficient thermal and mechanical stability must be used. The different flange types by GF Piping Systems fulfill these requirements. The gasket dimensions must match the outer and inner diameter of the flange adapter or valve end. Differences between the inner diameters of gasket and flange that are greater than 10 mm may result in malfunctioning flange connections.



- 1 Pipe
- 2 Bolt
- 3 Washer
- 4 Backing Flange
- 5 Flange Adaptor/ Valve end
- 6 Flange gasket
- 7 Nut

Comparison of flange connections

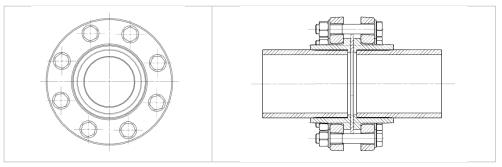
Flange connection	Properties
PP-V flange	 Corrosion-free all-plastic flange made of polypropylene PP-GF30 (fiber-glass reinforced) High chemical resistance (hydrolysis-resistant) Maximum possible break resistance due to elasticity (deforms if it is tightened too much) Use for ambient temperatures up to 80 °C UV-stabilized With integrated bolt-fixing Self-centering aid of the backing flange on the flange adapter Symmetric design allows assembly on either side: A "reverse" installation is never possible. All important information is readable V-groove (patented) Even distribution of forces across the backing flange (conserves components) Supports a longer-lasting torque for a safe joint
PP-steel flange	 Very robust and stiff due to the steel inlay Corrosion-free plastic flange made of polypropylene PP-GF30 (fiber-glass reinforced) with steel inlay High chemical resistance (hydrolysis-resistant) Maximum ambient temperature 80 °C UV-stabilized

Creating flange joints

When executing flange joints, the following points should be noted:

Orientation of bolts beyond the two main axes

For horizontal pipings systems, the orientation shown of the bolts beyond the main axes
(see the following figure) is preferred since possible leaks at the flange connection do not
cause the medium to run directly onto the bolts.



Flange with main axes (centered crosswise)

- Flange adaptor, valve end or fixed flange, seal and loose flange must be aligned centrally on the pipe axis.
- Before tightening the screws, the sealing surfaces must be aligned parallel and snug
 against the seal. Tightening misaligned flanges with the resulting tensile stress is to be
 avoided at all costs.

Selecting and handling bolts

- The length of the bolts should be in such a way that the bolt thread does not protrude more
 than 2-3 turns of the thread at the nut. Washers must be used at the bolts as well as the
 nut. If too long bolts are used it's not possible to mount the insulation half shells
 afterwards.
- To ensure that the connecting bolts can be easily tightened and removed after a lengthy period of use, the thread should be lubricated, e.g. with molybdenum sulphide.
- · Tightening the bolts by using a torque wrench.
- The bolts must be tightened diagonally and evenly: First, tighten the bolts by hand so that the gasket is evenly contacting the jointing faces. Then tighten all bolts diagonally to 50 % of the required torque, followed by 100 % of the required torque. The recommended bolt tightening torques are listed in the following table. However, deviations may occur in practice, e.g. through the use of stiff bolts or pipe axes that are not aligned. The Shore hardness of the gasket can also influence the necessary tightening torque.
- We recommend checking the tightening torques 24 hours after assembly according to the specified values and, if necessary, retighten them. Always tighten diagonally here, as well.
- After the pressure test, the tightening torques must be checked in any case and, if necessary, retightened.
- For more information on flanges, see DVS 2210-1 supplement 3.
- In the area of flexible sections and expansion loops, no bolt connections or flange connections should be used since the bending stress may cause leaks.



Bolt tightening torque guidelines for metric (ISO) flange connections with PP-V, PP- steel and PVC flanges

The indicated torques are recommended by GF Piping systems. These torques already ensure a sufficient tightness of the flange connection. They deviate from the data in the DVS 2210-1 Supplement 3, which are to be understood as upper limits. The individual components of the flange connection (valve ends, flange adapters, flanges) by GF Piping systems are dimensioned for these upper limits.

Pipe outside diameter d (mm)	Nominal Diameter DN (mm)	Tightening torqu	Tightening torque MD (Nm)				
		Flat ring maximum pressure 10 bar / 40°C	Profile seal maximum pressure 16 bar	O-ring maximum pressure 16 bar			
d32	DN25	15	10	10			
d40	DN32	20	15	15			
d50	DN40	25	15	15			
d63	DN50	35	20	20			
d75	DN65	50	25	25			
d90	DN80	30	15	15			
d110, 125	DN100	35	20	20			
d140	DN125	45	25	25			

Maximum operating pressure 6 bar Bolt tightening torque guidelines for ISO flange connections

Length of bolts

In practice, it is often difficult to determine the correct bolt length for flange joints. It can be derived from the following parameters:

- Thickness of the washer (2x)
- Thickness of the nut (1x)
- Thickness of the gasket (1x)
- Flange thickness (2x)
- Thickness of flange collar (valve end or flange adaptor) (2x)
- Valve installation length, if applicable (1x)

In order to ensure the fitting of the insulation half shells of the COOL-FIT 2.0 flange adaptors the used bolts must not be too long.

The following table is useful in determining the necessary bolt length.

- Under DVS 2210-1, the screw length should be such that it extends 2 to 3 threads beyond the nut.
- Online "screw lengths and tightening torques" tool on www.gfps.com/tools



For a COOL-FIT 2.0 Flange adaptors used together with PP-Steel backing flanges, the following bolt lengths can be used.

Dimension	d32	d40	d50	d63	d75	d90	d110	d140
Screws	M12x80	M16x80	M16x90	M16x90	M16x100	M16x100	M16x100	M16x130
				or				
				M16x100				

Installation fittings (for sensors)

Transitions and threaded plastic fittings should first be screwed finger tight. The fittings are then screwed in using an appropriate tool until 1 or 2 threads remain visible.

GF Piping Systems recommends using PTFE tape to seal transitions and threaded plastic fittings. Alternatively, Henkel Tangit Uni-Lock or Loctite 55 thread seal or Loctite 5331 thread sealant gel can be used. Follow the manufacturer's instructions. When using other sealants, you must check compatibility with the plastic used.

On installing Installation fittings in horizontal piping systems, the sensors should be in 1-5 or

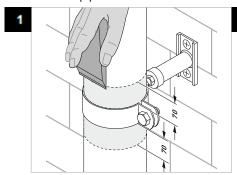
7 - 11 clock position.



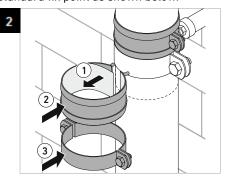
Do not use hemp! It may swell up, putting force on the plastic fittings and damaging plastic threads. Hemp is also not resistant to chemicals used in some media.

1.5.2 Installation of fixed points

The COOL-FIT pipe shall be intstalled with a standard fix point as shown below.

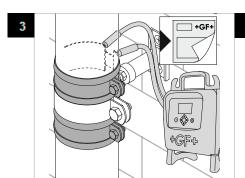


Step 1 Remove the outer layer of the PE jacket with a pipe scraper

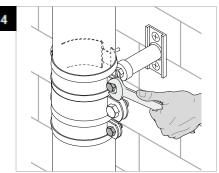


Step 2
Remove the yellow protection band from the welding bands and place them on the COOL-FIT pipe. Fix the welding bands with the pipe clips provided.

Note: The necessary welding pressure on the clean and dry COOL-FIT pipe is achieved by tightening the pipe clips. Take care that between fixed point clip and weld band there are no visible holes.



Step 3
Bond the welding band with the COOL-FIT pipe in accordance with the operating instructions of the electrofusion machine. Use welding adaptors of the y-cable with integrated welding adaptors for the bonding.



Step 4
Retighten the pipe clips after
10 minutes

1.5.3 Pressure test

Internal pressure test

For internal pressure testing and commissioning, the same conditions apply for COOL-FIT 2.0 as for the non-insulated ecoFIT system (PE).

1.5.4 Internal pressure and leak testing

Introduction to the pressure test

Overview of the various test methods

Leakage test	Inner Pressure	Leakage test		
Medium	Water	Gas ¹	Compressed air ¹	Gas/air (oil-free)
Туре	Incompressible	Compressible	Compressible	Compressible
Test pressure (overpressure)	$P_{p (perm)}$ or $0.85 \bullet P_{p (perm)}$	Operating pressure 2 bar	Operating pressure 2 bar	0.5 bar
Potential risk during the pressure test	Low	High	High	Low
Significance	High: Proof of pressure resistance incl. impermeability to test medium	High: Proof of pressure resistance incl. impermeability to test medium	High: Proof of pressure resistance incl. impermeability to test medium	Gering

Observe the applicable safety precautions. More information is available in DVS 2210-1 addendum 2.

A number of international and national standards and guidelines are available for leak and pressure tests. Therefore, it is often not easy to find the applicable test procedure and for example the test pressure.

The purpose of a pressure test is:

- · Ensure the resistance to pressure of the piping system, and
- · Show the leak-tightness against the test medium

Usually, the internal pressure test is done as a water pressure test and only in exceptional cases (under consideration of special safety precautions) as a gas pressure test with air or nitrogen.

Water is an incompressible medium. In case of a leakage during the pressure test relative low energy is set free. Therefore the hazard potential is significantly lower compared to testing with a compressible medium like e.g. compressed air.

Internal pressure test with water or similar incompressible test medium

The internal pressure test is done when installation work has been completed and presupposes an operational piping system or operational test sections. The test pressure load is intended to furnish experimental proof of operational safety. The test pressure is not based on the operating pressure, but rather on the internal pressure load capacity, based on the pipe wall thickness.

Addendum 2 of DVS 2210-1 forms the basis for the following information. This replaces the data in DVS 2210-1 entirely. The modifications became necessary because the reference value "nominal pressure (PN)" is being used less and less to determine the test pressure (1.5 x PN, or 1.3 x PN) and is being replaced by SDR. In addition, a short-term overload or even a reduction in the service life can occur if the pipe wall temperature TR = 20 °C is exceeded by more than 5 °C in the course of the internal pressure test based on the nominal pressure.

Test pressures are, therefore, determined in relation to SDR and the pipe wall temperature. The 100-h value from the long-term behavior diagram is used for the test pressure.

Test parameters

The following table provides recommendations on the performance of the internal pressure test

Purpose	Preliminary Review	Main examination
Test pressure p_p (depends on the pipe wall temperature and the permitted test pressure of the installed components, see "determination of the test pressure")	≤ P _{p (zul)}	≤ 0.85 P _{p (zul)}
Test duration (depends on the length of the pipe sections)	L ≤ 100 m: 3 hrs 100 m < L ≤ 500 m: 6 hrs	L ≤ 100 m: 3 hrs 100 m <l 500="" 6="" hrs<="" m:="" td="" ≤=""></l>
Checks during the test (test pressure and temperature curves must be recorded)	At least 3 checks distributed across the test period with test pressure restored	At least 3 checks distributed across the test period without restoring the test pressure

Preliminary test

Pre-test

The pre-test serves to prepare the piping system for the actual test (main test). In the course of pre-testing, a tension-expansion equilibrium in relation to an increase in volume will develop in the piping system. A material related drop in pressure will occur which will require repeated pumping to restore the test pressure and also frequently a re-tightening of the flange connection bolts.

The guidelines for an expansion-related pressure decrease in pipe are:

Material	Pressure drop (bar/h)
COOL-FIT 2.0	1.2

Main test

In the context of the main test, a much smaller drop in pressure can be expected at constant pipe wall temperatures so that it is not necessary to pump again. The checks can focus primarily on leak detection at the flange joints and any position changes of the pipe.

Observe if using compensators

If the piping system to be tested contains compensators, it has an influence on the expected axial forces on the fixed points of the pipping system. Because the test pressure is higher than the operating pressure, the axial forces on the fixed points increase proportionately. This has to be taken into account when designing the fixed points.

Observe if using valves

When using a valve at the end of a piping system (end or final valve), the valve and the pipe end should be closed by a dummy flange or cap. This prevents an inadvertent opening of the valve and release of the medium.



Filling the pipe

Before starting the pressure test, the following points should be checked:

- 2. The installation has been carried out in accordance with its plans.
- 3. All pressure relief and check valves are fitted in the direction of flow.
- 4. All end valves have been closed.
- 5. All valves for devices have been closed to secure against pressure.
- 6. A visual inspection has been made of all connections, pumps, measurement devices and tanks.
- 7. The waiting time after the last weld or bond has been observed

Now the piping system can be filled from the geodetic lowest point. Special attention should be given to the air vent. If possible, vents should be provided at all the high points of the piping system and these should be open when filling the system. Flushing velocity should be at least 1 m/s.

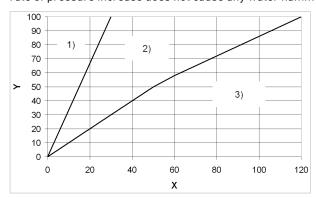
Reference values for the filling volume are given in the table below.

d (mm)	V (l/s)
≤ 90	0.15
110	0.3
160	0.7

Allow sufficient time to pass between filling and testing the pipe for the air in the piping system to escape through the vents: about 6 to 12 hours, depending on nominal diameter.

Applying the test pressure

The test pressure is applied in accordance with this diagram. It is important to ensure that the rate of pressure increase does not cause any water hammers.



- Y Test pressure (%)
- X Time of test pressure increase (min)
- 1) Rate of pressure increase up to DN100 mm
- Range of pressure increase rates between DN100 and DN400 mm
- Guideline rate of pressure increase for DN500 and higher: 500/DN (bar/10 min)

Determination of the test pressure

The permissible test pressure is calculated using the following formula:

$$P_{\text{p(zul)}} = \frac{1}{|SDR|} \cdot \frac{20 \cdot \sigma_{\text{v(T, 100 h)}}}{|S_p \cdot A_G|}$$

 $\sigma_{v(T, 100 \text{ h})}$ Creep strength for the pipe wall temperature

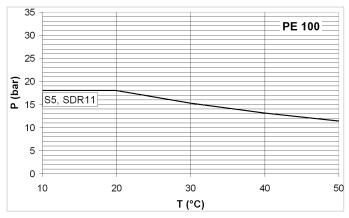
 S_p Minimum safety factor for creep strength

A_G Processing method or geometry specific factor which reduces the permissible test pressure

T_R Pipe metal temperature: mean temperature of test medium and pipe surface

Material	Sp minimum safety factor
PE100	1.25
PVC-U	2.5

To make things easier, the permissible test pressures can be taken directly from the following diagrams.



- P permitted test pressure (bar)
- T pipe wall temperature (°C)

Checks during testing

The following measurement values must be recorded consistently during testing:

- 8. Internal pressure at the absolute lowest point of the piping system
- 9. Medium and ambient temperature
- 10. Water volume input
- 11. Water volume output
- 12. Pressure drop rates

1.5.5 Start-up with secondary coolants

Secondary coolants such as glycol solutions must only introduced in liquid, pre-mixed form into COOL-FIT 2.0 piping systems. Filling should be performed slowly from the lowest point of the system to allow the piping system to vent at its highest point.

Filling and Venting

It is important to vent air from all piping systems. This is particularly important with saline solutions, because of their corrosive properties. Venting process:

- The system must be filled slowly.
- · Manual or automatic venting devices must be fitted at the highest point of the system.
- Long horizontal lines should be installed at a slight gradient.
- The piping layout should be chosen in such a way as to prevent the formation of air pockets.
- Installation of an air vent with a medium column as a reserve.
- Follow the specific manufacturer instructions for the liquids as regards filling

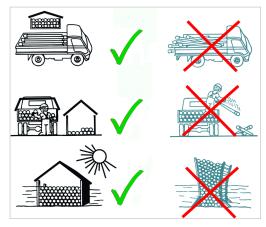
1.6 Transport and Stocking

1.6.1 Transport

On trucks/in crates, manual transport

1.6.2 Storage

All plastic pipe including pre-insulated plastic pipe such as COOL-FIT 2.0 must be stacked on a flat surface with no sharp edges. During handling, care must be taken to avoid damage to the external surface of the pipe, i.e. by dragging along the ground). Pipe should not cross over each other in storage as this is likely to cause bending.



1.7 Environment

The materials used for COOL-FIT 2.0 are suitable for recycling. GF Piping Systems aims to satisfy its customer's wishes concerning environmental aspects. TEWI, ODP and GWP values and test reports are available for COOL-FIT 2.0/2.0M pipe.

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