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flanged rubber pipe connectors

PROCO Series 300 Rubber Pipe is designed for tough demanding industrial and commercial applications as found in: Chemical-Petrochemical and Industrial Process Piping Systems, Power Generating Plants, Steel Mills, Marine Services, Pulp/Paper Systems, Water-Waste/Water-Sewage and Pollution Control Systems. Specific equipment applications could include: Pumps, Cooling Towers, Compressors, Blowers, Fans, Absorption Machines, etc. Installed next to mechanical equipment or between the anchor points of a piping system, specify the PROCO Series 300 to: (1) Isolate Mechanical Vibration, (2) Reduce System Noise, (3) Absorb Pipe Movement/Stress, (4) Compensate Alignment/Offset, (5) Eliminate Electrolysis, (6) Protect Against Start-Up/Surge Forces. When you need an engineered rubber solution to a piping system

Engineered For Your Application. Each PROCO Series 300 Rubber Pipe is constructed with a smooth interior tube specially compounded from an elastomer that satisfies the Chemical-Abrasion-Sound requirements of your application (See Table 2). Multiple plies of tough fabric and helical spring steel wire are embedded into the pipe wall during the manufacturing process to provide a product designed for your pressure and vacuum requirements. Available styles include:

Style 310-R: Precision molded to specific lengths as listed in Table 3. The built-in rubber flanges are drilled to ANSI - 125/150#.

Style 310: Manufactured by conventional methods which allow for fabrication to a specific length requirement, in addition to lengths as shown in Table 3. Standard with 125/ 150# drilling, the Style 310 can also be fabricated to meet other drilling patterns

Style 320: Designed for high pressure applications (See Table 4); this connector manufactured similar to Style 310. Flanges are usually drilled to ANSI 250/300# with other drilling patterns furnished on request.

Style BE-310: This beaded-end design features a rotating floating metallic flange for fast perfect bolt hole alignment without torsion in new and old installations. Only available in optimum length sizes as shown in Table 3.

Table 1: Comparison of Material Acoustical Impedances										
Material	Sound Velocity In. / Sec.	Density Lbs./ln. ³	Acoustical Impedance Lbs. / In. ² Sec.	Relative Impedance						
Steel	206,500	.283	58,440	551.3						
Copper	140,400	.320	44,930	423.9						
Cast Iron	148,800	.260	38,690	365.0						
Lead	49,800	.411	20,470	193.1						
Glass	216,000	.094	20,300	191.5						
Concrete	198,000	.072	14,260	134.5						
Water	56,400	.036	2,030	19.2						
Pine	132,000	.0145	1,910	18.0						
Cork	19,200	.0086	165	1.6						
Rubber	2,400	.0442	106	1.0						

NOTES: Acoustical impedance is defined as the product of material density times velocity of sound in that material. In acoustical systems low impedance corresponds to low sound transmission. Relative impedance is based on Rubber = 1.0

T	Table 2: Available Styles and Materials										
For Specific Elastomer Recommendations, See: PROCO™ "Chemical To Elastomer Guide"											
310	310-R	BE-310	320	PROCO Material Code	Cover Elastomer	Tube Elastomer	Maximum Operating Temp °F	F.S.A. Material Class			
*	*	*	*	BB	Chlorobutyl	Chlorobutyl	250°	Special II			
*			*	BT	Chlorobutyl	Teflon®	250°	Special II			
*		*	*	EE	EPDM	EPDM	250°	Special II			
*			*	NG	Neoprene	Gum	180°	Std. I			
*	*	*	*	NH	Neoprene	Hypalon®	212°	Std. II			
*	*	*	*	NN	Neoprene	Neoprene	225°	Std. II			
*	*	*	*	NP	Neoprene	Nitrile	212°	Std. II			

Style 310/NN meets MIL-E-15330-D. Class A. Type III and conforms to all USCG requirements

NOTES: 1. Hypalon is registered trademark of DuDont Dow Elastomers. 2. Teflon is a registered trademark of the DuDont Company.

Absorbs Pipe-Wall and Fluid-Borne Noise. The PROCO quiet-operating Series 300 is a replacement for "sound transmitting" metallic connectors. Compare the Acoustical Impedance ratings of rubber and other materials, as shown in Table 1. Pipe-Wall sound is absorbed as the noise carried by the piping both enters and leaves the rubber section. Connector length further influences absorption as sound loses energy traveling axially through the rubber. For optimum lengths, see Table 3. Fluid-borne noise is absorbed by the volumetric expansion (breathing) of the connector. This action cushions water hammer, and smoothes out pumping impulses.

Isolate Vibrations and Motion. Vibration originating from mechanical equipment is absorbed by the PROCO Series 300. Rubber pipe connectors should be installed right after and ahead of the equipment generating the vibration, thus isolating the equipment. As most machinery vibrates in a radial direction from the main shaft, for optimum performance the pipe connector should be installed horizontally and parallel to this shaft. While PROCO Series 300 Rubber Pipe will accept some axial motion, it is principally designed to accept transverse motion. When installed at right angles to the direction of the pipe motion (movement), PROCO rubber pipe connectors can absorb large amounts of expansion. For major two-plane vibration/motion it is best to use two flexible rubber pipe connectors installed at right angles, one to absorb the horizontal vibration and one to absorb the vertical vibration. A tension anchor is usually advisable to stabilize the elbow between the connectors. Note: For maximum vibration transmission reduction, the piping section beyond the rubber connector must be anchored or sufficiently rigid.

Prevents Electrolysis and Electrolytic Action. In chemical applications when metallic connectors are used, they are generally of a metal dissimilar from the pipe-line. This could create an electrolytic galvanic action that could be destructive to the connector, equipment or piping system. The use of the PROCO Series 300 eliminates this potential hazard. Additionally, because the all-rubber connector eliminates metal-to-metal contact at the flange face, electrolysis is stopped.

Systems Misalignment Compensation. In a rigid piping system, the installation of the PROCO Series 300 Rubber Pipe adds a flexible component that is automatically selfcorrecting for misalignment created by structural movements caused by settling, expansion or ground shifts (See Table 3).

Chemical Or Abrasive Service Capability At Minimal Cost: Expensive, exotic metal connectors for chemical service can be replaced with the PROCO Series 300. Fabricated with low cost chemical resistant elastomer such as: Chlorobutyl, EPDM, Gum, Hypalon®, Neoprene and Nitrile; insures a rubber connector compatible with the fluid being pumped or piped (See Table 1). Our Gum or Neoprene products should be specified when handling abrasive slurries. Use PROCO "Chemical to Elastomer Guide" to specify an elastomer for your requirements.









