

Graphite and Carbon-Filled Polytetrafluoroethylene (GC)

GC, a general-purpose light-duty material, is used where more extrusion and creep resistance than G and PTFE is required. This low-friction material resists extrusion at high temperatures and is not recommended for general use in vacuum or inert gas applications.

GC is recommended for applications that require good wear resistance in liquids and humid conditions at temperatures from -450 °F to +475 °F (-268 °C to +246 °C). It can also be used in laboratory equipment and in general-purpose applications.

Chemical Compatibility

GC is compatible with most fluids, except strong oxidizers and acids. For more compatibility information, request report TR-60A, or go to <http://www.balseal.com/techlib>. Select Technical Reports (Login Required), then select TR-60A Chemical Compatibility Guide

FDA Compliance

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

Mechanical Properties

The mechanical properties of **GC** at ambient temperatures are:

Tensile strength	ASTM D638	2500 psi (175 kg/cm ²)
Elongation	ASTM D638	240%

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

"K" Wear Factor In ³ -min./ft-lb-hr x 10 ⁻¹⁰ ("K" Cm ³ -min./Kg-m-hr x 10 ⁻⁷)				
AIR	WATER		OIL	
Wear Rate at 50,000 P.V.	Wear Rate at 100,000 P.V.		Wear Rate at 100,000 P.V.	
Speed (75 FPM) – pressure (667 PSI)	Speed (100 FPM) – pressure (1000 PSI)	Speed (1000 FPM) – pressure (100 PSI)	Speed (100 FPM) – pressure (1000 PSI)	Speed (1000 FPM) – pressure (100 PSI)
600 x 10 ⁻¹⁰ (71 x 10 ⁻⁷)	12 x 10 ⁻¹⁰ (1.4 x 10 ⁻⁷)	175 x 10 ⁻¹⁰ (20.8 x 10 ⁻⁷)	25 x 10 ⁻¹⁰ (3.0 x 10 ⁻⁷)	10 x 10 ⁻¹⁰ (1.2 x 10 ⁻⁷)

Color

Black

Cost

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Advantages of GC

- Suitable for use in aqueous media
- Lower friction than G and PTFE in aqueous media

Other Information

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

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