

# Fluid Compatibility

This chart indicates the suitability of various elastomers and metals for use with fluids to be conveyed. It is intended for use with Eaton couplings and should not be used to determine compatibility for other products. It is intended as a guide only and is not a guarantee. Final selection of the proper seal or material of metal components is further dependent on many factors including pressure, fluid and ambient temperature, concentration, duration of exposure, etc.

## How to Use the Chart

- Both the elastomer and the metal must be considered when determining suitability of combination for a coupling.
- Locate the fluid to be conveyed and determine the suitability of the elastomeric and metal components according to the resistance rating shown for each.
- Dimensional and operation specifications for each coupling can be found on the catalog pages.
- Information on seal options for couplings, and how to specify them, are shown in the respective sections of this catalog.
- Be sure to check the table below for maximum operating temperature range of the elastomer desired.
- For further details on the products shown in this catalog, and their applications, consult your Eaton Sales Representative or Eaton Technical Support.
- Coupling component materials may differ from body material. Refer to specific catalog pages.

This chart below are intended for reference use only. The information in this chart pertains strictly to material compatibility and is not intended to be used as an application guide.

E=Excellent  
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Fluid	Seals				Metal			
	Buna-N	Neoprene	FPDM/EPDM	FKM	Steel	Brass	Stainless Steel	Aluminum
Acetaldehyde	U	C	C	U	G	E	E	E
Acetic Acid, 10%	U	U	E	G	U	U	C	C
Acetic Acid, Glacial	U	U	C	U	U	U	C	C
Acetone	U	U	G	U	E	E	E	E
Acetophenone	U	U	E	U	E	E	E	C
Acetyl Acetone	U	U	G	U	U	C	C	C
Acetyl Chloride	U	U	U	E	C	C	C	U
Acetylene (1)	G	U	G	E	E	E	E	E
Air, Hot (Up to +160°F)	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Air, Hot (161°F – 200°F)	C	G	E	E	E	E	E	E
Air, Hot (201°F – 300°F)	U	U	G	E	E	E	E	E
Air Wet, below 160°F	E	E	E	E	U	G	E	E
Aluminum Chloride, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	U	U	U
Aluminum Fluoride, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	U	U	E
Aluminum Nitrate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	U	C	C

## Seal Elastomer Data\*

Seal Elastomer**	Max. Operation Temperature Range
Buna-N	-40°F to +250°F (-40°C to +121°C)
Neoprene	-65°F to +212°F (-54°C to +100°C)
EPDM	-65°F to +300°F (-54°C to +149°C)
FKM	-15°F to +400°F (-29°C to +204°C)

\*For reference only, based on Eaton recommended temperatures.

\*\*For seals not listed contact Eaton.

Contact Eaton technical support for further information.

## Resistance Rating Key

E = Excellent – Fluid has little or no effect

G = Good – Fluid has minor to moderate effect

C = Conditional – Service conditions should be described to Eaton for determination of suitability for application

U = Unsatisfactory

The differences between ratings "E" and "G" are relative. Both indicate satisfactory service. Where there is a choice, the materials rated "E" may be expected to give better or longer service than those rated "G".

Fluid	Seals				Metal			
	Buna-N	Neoprene	FPDM/EPDM	FKM	Steel	Brass	Stainless Steel	Aluminum
Aluminum Sulfate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	C	E	C
Alums, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	C	E	C
Ammonia, Cold	E	E	E	U	E	U	E	E
Ammonia, Hot	U	G	G	U	E	U	E	E
Ammonia, Anhydrous	G	G	E	U	E	U	E	E
Ammonia, Aqueous	E	E	E	U	E	U	E	E
Ammonium Carbonate, 10% aq	U	E	E	U	C	U	C	C
Ammonium Chloride, 10% aq	E	E	E	U	U	U	C	U
Ammonium Hydroxide, 10% aq	C	C	E	C	G	U	C	C
Ammonium Nitrate, 10% aq	E	G	E	U	G	U	G	G
Ammonium Phosphate, 10% aq	E	E	E	–	U	C	G	U
Ammonium Sulfate/Sulfide, 10% aq	E	E	E	U	U	U	G	U
Amyl Acetate	U	U	G	U	E	E	E	E
Amyl Alcohol	G	C	E	G	G	G	E	U
Aniline, Aniline Oil	U	U	G	U	E	U	E	G

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Aniline Dyes	U	G	G	G	U	C	G	C
Asphalt, < 200°F	G	C	U	E	E	G	E	C
IRM 901 Oil	E	E	C	E	E	E	E	E
IRM 902 Oil	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	E
IRM 903 Oil	E	C	U	E	E	E	E	E
Automatic Trans. Fluid	E	C	U	E	E	E	E	E
Barium Chloride, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	G	G	G
Barium Hydroxide, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	G	U	G	U
Barium Sulfide, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	C	U	G	U
Benzene, Benzol	U	U	U	E	G	E	E	G
Benzoic Acid	U	U	U	E	U	G	G	G
Benzyl Alcohol	U	G	G	E	E	G	E	G
BioDiesel (<B20)	G	C	U	E				
BioDiesel (>B20)	G	C	U	E				
Black Sulfate Liquor	C	C	C	E	E	C	E	U
Blast Furnace Gas	U	U	U	E	E	C	E	U
Borax, 10% aq	G	G	E	E	E	E	E	G
Boric Acid, 10% aq	G	G	G	E	U	G	C	C
Brine	E	G	E	E	U	G	G	U
Bromine, Dry	U	U	U	E	U	C	U	C
Butane	E	C	U	E	E	E	E	E
Butyl Acetate	U	U	G	U	E	E	E	E
Butyl Alcohol	E	E	G	E	G	G	G	G
Butyl Cellosolve	U	U	G	U	E	E	E	E
Butylene (Butene)	C	U	U	E	E	E	E	E
Butyl Stearate	G	U	U	E	G	G	G	G
Butyraldehyde	U	U	G	U	E	E	E	E
Calcium Acetate, 10% aq	G	G	E	U	G	G	G	C
Calcium Bisulfate, 10% aq	E	E	U	E	U	C	C	U
Calcium Chloride, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	G	G	G	C
Calcium Hydroxide, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	G	G	G	U
Calcium Hypochlorite, 10% aq	U	U	E	E	U	G	C	U
Calcium Nitrate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	G	G	G	G
Carbitol	G	G	G	G	E	E	E	E
Carbolic Acid (Phenol)	U	U	G	E	U	E	E	-
Carbonic Acid	G	E	E	E	U	C	E	G
Carbon Dioxide, Dry Gas	G	G	E	E	E	E	E	E
Carbon Disulfide	U	U	U	E	G	G	G	E
Carbon Monoxide	G	G	E	E	E	E	E	E
Carbon Tetrachloride	U	U	U	E	U	G	G	U
Castor Oil	E	E	G	E	E	E	E	E
Cellosolve Acetate	U	U	G	U	U	U	E	G
China Wood Oil (Tung Oil)	G	G	U	E	E	G	E	E
Chlorine Gas, Dry	U	U	U	G	C	C	C	C
Chloroacetic Acid	U	U	G	U	U	U	U	U
Chloroacetone	U	U	E	U	G	G	G	U
Chlorobenzene	U	U	U	G	G	G	G	G
Chloroform	U	U	U	E	G	G	G	G
O-Chlorophenol	U	U	U	E	G	G	G	U
Chlosulfonic Acid	U	U	U	U	G	U	G	G
Chrome Plating Solution	U	U	G	E	C	U	U	U
Fluid	Seals		Metal			Seals		
Chromic Acid	U	U	C	E	C	U	U	U
Citric Acid	E	E	E	E	C	C	C	C
Coke Oven Gas	U	U	U	E	E	C	E	U
Copper Chloride, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	U	U	U
Copper Cyanide, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	E	U	G	U
Copper Sulfate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	C	G	U
Cotton Seed Oil	E	G	C	E	E	E	E	E
Creosote (Coal Tar)	G	C	U	E	E	C	E	E
Crude Oil	E	G	U	E	G	U	G	U
Cyclohexanol	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	C
Cyclohexanone	U	U	G	U	E	E	E	C
Detergent/Water Solution	E	E	E	E	G	E	E	E
Diacetone Alchohol (Acetol)	U	U	E	U	E	E	E	E
Dibenzyl Ether	U	U	G	U	G	G	G	G
Diesel Oil	E	C	U	E	E	E	E	E
Diethylamine	G	G	G	U	E	U	E	-
Diocyl Phthalate (DOP)	U	U	G	G	F	E	E	E
DOT #3 / #4 Brake fluid	C	U	E	U	E	C	E	E
Dowtherm A&E	U	U	U	E	G	U	E	E
Ethyl Alcohol (Ethanol)	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	G
Ethyl Acetate	U	U	G	U	E	E	E	E
Ethyl Benzene	U	U	U	E	E	G	G	G
Ethyl Cellulose	G	G	G	U	E	G	G	G
Ethyl Chloride	U	U	U	E	E	E	E	G
Ethylene Dichloride	U	U	U	G	G	C	G	G
Ethylene Glycol	E	E	E	E	U	G	E	E
Ferric Chloride, 10% aq	E	G	E	E	U	U	U	U
Ferric Nitrate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	U	G	U
Ferric Sulfate, 10% aq	G	G	G	E	U	U	E	U
Formaldehyde	C	C	G	G	E	E	E	G
Formic Acid	C	G	E	U	U	C	C	C
Fuel Oil	E	C	U	E	E	E	E	E
Furfural	C	C	G	U	G	G	G	G
Gallic Acid, Solution	G	G	G	E	U	-	G	C
Gasoline	E	U	U	E	E	E	E	E
Gasohol	G	U	U	E	E	E	E	G
Glycerine/Glycerol	E	E	E	E	E	G	E	E
Green Sulfate Liquor	G	G	E	E	U	U	E	U
Helium (1)	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Heptane	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	E
Hexaldehyde	U	G	G	U	G	G	E	E
Hexane	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	E
Hydraulic Oils, petroleum based	G	C	U	E	E	E	E	E
Ester Blend	E	U	U	E	E	E	E	E
Phos. Ester/Petroleum Blend	U	U	U	C	E	E	E	E
Silicone Oils	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Straight Petroleum Base	E	C	U	E	E	E	E	E
Straight Phosphate Ester	U	U	G	C	E	E	E	E
Water Glycol	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	G
Water Petroleum Emulsion	E	G	U	E	C	E	E	G
Hydrobromic Acid	U	U	E	E	E	U	E	E

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	Buna-N	Neoprene	FPDM/EPDM	FKM	Steel	Brass	Stainless Steel	Aluminum
Hydrochloric Acid, Cold	U	U	G	E	U	U	U	U
Hydrocyanic Acid	C	C	E	E	E	E	G	E
Hydrofluoric Acid	U	U	C	U	U	U	U	U
Hydrofluorosilic Acid	G	G	E	E	U	U	U	U
Hydrogen	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Hydrogen Peroxide	G	G	G	E	U	U	G	E
Hydrogen Sulfide, Dry	U	G	E	U	E	G	G	G
Isocyanate	U	U	G	E	G	—	G	—
Iso Octane	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	E
Isopropyl Acetate	U	U	G	U	E	—	E	E
Isopropyl Alcohol	G	G	E	E	E	E	E	G
Isopropyl Ether	G	U	U	U	G	G	G	—
JP-4, JP-5	E	U	U	E	E	E	E	E
Kerosene	E	U	U	E	E	E	E	E
Lacquer/Lacquer Solvents	U	U	U	U	U	E	E	E
Lime Sulfur	U	E	E	E	G	U	G	—
Linseed Oil	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	E
LPG	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	E
Magnesium Chloride, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	E	C	C	G
Magnesium Hydroxide, 10% aq	G	G	E	E	E	G	E	G
Magnesium Sulfate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Maleic Acid	U	U	U	E	E	G	G	G
Maleic Anhydride	U	U	U	E	G	U	E	G
Malic Acid	G	G	U	G	U	—	E	G
Mercuric Chloride	E	E	E	E	U	U	U	U
Mercury	E	E	E	E	E	U	E	U
Methanol	G	G	E	U	G	G	E	C
Methyl Bromide	G	U	U	E	E	E	G	U
Methyl Chloride	U	U	U	E	E	E	E	U
Methyl Butyl Ketone	U	U	E	U	E	E	E	—
Methyl Ethyl Ketone	U	U	E	U	G	G	G	G
Methylene Chloride	U	U	U	G	G	G	G	G
Methyl Isobutyl Ketone	U	U	U	U	G	G	G	G
Methyl Isopropyl Ketone	U	U	U	U	G	G	G	G
Methyl Salicylate	U	U	C	U	E	G	G	E
MIL-L-2104	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	—
MIL-H-5606	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	E
MIL-H-6083	E	E	U	E	E	E	E	—
MIL-L-7808	G	U	U	E	G	G	E	—
MIL-L-23699	G	U	U	E	E	E	E	E
MIL-H-46170	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	—
MIL-H-83282	E	U	U	E	E	E	E	—
Mineral Oils	E	C	U	E	E	E	E	E
Naphtha	C	U	U	E	—	—	—	—
Naphthalene	U	U	U	E	E	G	E	G
Naphthenic Acid	C	U	U	E	—	G	E	G
Natural Gas	E	E	U	E	G	G	G	G
Nickel Acetate, 10% aq	C	C	E	G	G	C	E	G
Nickel Chloride, 10% aq	E	G	E	E	U	U	G	U
Nickel Sulfate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	G	G	U
Nitric Acid, to 10%	U	U	U	E	U	U	E	U

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	Buna-N	Neoprene	FPDM/EPDM	FKM	Steel	Brass	Stainless Steel	Aluminum
Nitric Acid, over 10%	U	U	U	G	U	U	E	C
Nitrobenzene	U	U	U	G	E	G	E	E
Nitrogen	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Octyl Alcohol	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Oleic Acid	U	U	C	G	C	E	G	C
Oleum, fuming sulfuric acid	U	U	U	E	E	E	E	E
Ortho-Dichlorobenzene	U	U	U	E	G	G	G	G
Oxalic Acid, 10% aq	G	G	E	U	C	C	C	C
Oxygen	—	—	E	E	G	G	G	G
Palmitic Acid	E	G	G	E	G	—	E	G
Para-Dichlorobenzene	U	U	U	E	G	G	G	G
Pentane	E	E	U	E	G	G	G	E
Perchloric Acid	E	G	G	E	U	U	U	U
Perchloroethylene	U	U	U	E	C	G	G	G
Petroleum Base Oils	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	E
Phenol (Carbolic Acid)	U	U	G	E	U	E	E	E
Phosphate Ester	U	U	G	C	E	E	E	E
Phosphoric Acid 20%	U	U	G	E	U	E	U	C
Phosphorous Trichloride	U	U	E	E	C	U	C	E
Potassium Acetate, 10% aq	G	G	E	U	C	G	C	U
Potassium Chloride, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	C	E	U	U
Potassium Cyanide, 10% aq	E	E	E	C	U	G	U	U
Potassium Dichromate, 10% aq	E	E	E	C	C	C	C	C
Potassium Hydroxide, to 10%	G	G	E	G	G	G	G	U
Potassium Hydroxide, over 10%	C	C	E	U	G	G	G	U
Potassium Nitrate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	G	G	E	G
Potassium Sulfate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	—	—	—	—
Propane (Liquified)	C	G	—	E	E	E	E	E
Propyl Acetate	U	U	G	U	E	—	E	E
Propyl Alcohol	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Propylene	U	U	U	E	E	E	E	E
Rapeseed oil (B100)	G	C	U	E				
Refrigerant R-12	G	E	C	E	E	E	E	E
Refrigerant R-13	G	E	C	E	E	E	E	E
Refrigerant R-22	U	E	C	U	E	E	E	E
Refrigerant R-134a	E	C	G	U	E	E	E	E
Sewage	E	E	E	E	G	G	G	G
Silicone Oils	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
Soap (Water Solutions)	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	U
Sodium Acetate, 10% aq	G	G	E	U	E	E	G	E
Sodium Bicarbonate, 10% aq	E	E	E	G	G	G	E	G
Sodium Borate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	G
Sodium Carbonate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	E	G	E	U
Sodium Chloride, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	C	C	C
Sodium Cyanide, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	E	—	C	U
Sodium Hydroxide, to 10%	U	G	E	E	C	G	C	U
Sodium Hydroxide, over 10%	U	U	G	E	C	C	C	U
Sodium Hypochlorite, 10% aq	C	C	E	C	U	U	U	U
Sodium Metaphosphate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	E	G	G	U
Sodium Nitrate, 10% aq	G	G	E	—	E	C	E	E
Sodium Perborate, 10% aq	G	G	E	E	C	U	C	U

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Sodium Peroxide, 10% aq	G	G	E	E	U	U	C	C		
Sodium Phosphates, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	E	G	U		
Sodium Silicate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E		
Sodium Sulfate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	C	G	G	G		
Sodium Sulfide, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	C	U	C	U		
Sodium Thiosulfate, 10% aq	G	E	E	E	U	U	C	G		
Soy Bean Oil (B100)	E	C	U	E	E	E	E	E		
Stannic Chloride	E	G	E	E	U	U	U	U		
Steam (up to 388°F)	U	U	C	C	E	E	E	G		
Stearic Acid	G	G	G	E	C	C	E	C		
Stoddard Solvent	E	G	U	E	E	E	E	E		
Styrene	U	U	U	G	E	E	E	E		
Sulfur, Slurry	U	E	E	E	E	U	G	E		
Sulfur Chloride, Wet	U	U	U	E	G	—	G	G		
Sulfur Dioxide, Dry	U	U	G	E	E	G	G	E		
Sulfur Trioxide	U	U	G	E	G	C	G	G		
Sulfuric Acid, to 10%	U	G	U	E	U	G	C	—		
Sulfuric Acid, over 10%	U	U	U	G	C	C	C	U		
Sulfurous Acid	C	C	U	G	U	C	C	C		
Tannic Acid	G	E	E	E	E	E	E	C		

  

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	Buna-N	Neoprene	FPDM/EPDM	FKM	Steel	Brass	Stainless Steel	Aluminum		
Tar (Bituminous)	G	U	U	E	E	G	E	E		
Tartaric Acid	E	G	G	E	U	C	C	E		
Tertiary Butyl Alcohol	G	G	G	E	G	G	G	G		
Titanium Tetrachloride	C	U	U	E	E	U	G	U		
Toluene (Toluol)	U	U	U	E	E	E	E	E		
Trichlorethylene	U	U	U	E	E	G	E	E		
Tricresyl Phosphate	U	U	E	G	E	—	C	—		
Triethanolamine	E	U	E	U	E	U	E	E		
Tung Oil	G	G	U	E	E	G	E	E		
Turpentine	G	U	U	E	G	G	G	G		
Varnish	G	U	U	E	E	G	E	E		
Vinyl Chloride	U	U	U	E	E	U	C	E		
Water (to +150°F)	E	E	E	E	C	G	E	G		
Water (+151°F to +200°F)	E	E	E	E	C	G	E	G		
Water (+201°F to +350°F)	U	U	G	G	C	G	E	G		
Water Glycol	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	G		
Water Petroleum Emulsion	E	G	U	E	C	E	E	G		
Xylene	U	U	U	E	E	E	E	E		
Zinc Chloride, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	E	U	U	C		
Zinc Sulfate, 10% aq	E	E	E	E	U	C	G	C		

## Seal Information for Eaton Hansen and Gromelle Products

Dash Number	Compound
***	Buna-N – 90 Durometer
-115	PTFE
-118	Neoprene
-143	FKM
-146	Buna-N – 70 Durometer
-192*	EPDM
-235†	Kalrez®
-236*	EPDM

\*\*\*No Dash Number required for standard seal material.

\*-192 and -236 compounds are not compatible with mineral-based greases or oils.

†Kalrez seals available by special quotation.