

Vespel® CR-6100 Pump Wear Components

Application Summary

Product Description

Vespel® CR-6100 wear components are based on an advanced composite material consisting of a high performance Teflon® PFA fluorocarbon resin and oriented carbon fibers. The patented manufacturing process creates parts which exhibit:

- Excellent dimensional stability
- Outstanding run-dry performance
- High temperature serviceability (up to 550° F)
- Broad chemical compatibility
- Excellent machining and installation characteristics

Vespel® CR-6100 wear components have been successfully used in hundreds of centrifugal pumps in major refineries, chemical plants, power plants, pipeline terminals, and municipal water utilities.



Vespel® CR-6100 is fast and easy to machine.

Why Use Vespel® CR-6100

Pump performance and reliability are significantly improved

- Because CR-6100 is non-metallic, has a low coefficient of friction, and excellent dimensional stability, it can withstand short-duration off-design conditions such as start-up, slow-rolling, low-flow, cavitation, or run-dry situations. The pump remains available for service and repair costs are reduced.
- With these characteristics, clearance at wear components can be reduced. This results in efficiency gains which lead to significant operating cost reductions, particularly when applied to populations of pumps.
- Improved reliability: Pumps with reduced clearance also exhibit lower vibration levels and reduced cavitation. Seals and bearings last longer, and MTBR increases.

Example: One customer installed Vespel® CR-6100 wear rings, throat bushings, and pressure reducing bushings in two multistage gasoline shipping pumps. This conversion resulted in a 7% efficiency gain and a 90% reduction of overall vibration levels. The pumps have been in service over 4 years without failure, where the previous MTBR was 12 months.

Vespel® CR-6100 offers superior properties vs. other wear ring materials.

- Vespel® CR-6100 is based on a fluoropolymer, which gives it excellent chemical resistance and a low coefficient of friction. These characteristics coupled with its high temperature resistance and low thermal growth make Vespel® CR-6100 ideal for a broad application range.
- The durability of Vespel® CR-6100 aids installation and machining, and stays tough during operation.

Where to Use Vespel® CR-6100

Vespel® CR-6100 is used for I.D.-mounted (in compression) wear components in nearly all centrifugal pump types in non-abrasive process services up to 550°F.

Pump Services: Vespel® CR-6100 has been used in hundreds of pumps in a broad range of hydrocarbon, chemical	Pump Components: ■ Wear rings ■ Line shaft bearings
and water services. Some applications include:	 Throat bushings Inter-stage bushings
Boiler feed	 Pressure-reduced bushings Pump Types: Overhung horizontal Vertical Between bearings Multistage

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