

Trivia

did you know that ...

The Planters Peanut Company mascot, Mr. Peanut, was created during a contest for schoolchildren in 1916.

There is a restaurant in Stockholm that only offers all-garlic products. They even have a garlic cheesecake.

Five thousandths of a millimeter is the tolerance of accuracy at the LEGO mould factories.

The chances of making two holes-in-one in a round of golf are one in 67 million.

Ironically, when doctors in Los Angeles, California went on strike in 1976, the daily number of deaths in the city dropped 18%.

A rabbit is not able to vomit.

A baseball will go farther in hot temperatures than in cold temperatures.

Jewelers Tiffany & Co., based in New York, are responsible for making the Super Bowl trophy.

Duracell, the battery-maker, built parts of its new international headquarters using materials from its own waste.

In ancient Rome, it was considered a sign of leadership to be born with a crooked nose.

One barrel of petroleum holds 42 gallons.

In the movie Psycho by Alfred Hitchcock, chocolate syrup was used for blood in the shower scene.

During WWII, because a lot of players were called to duty, the Pittsburgh Steelers and Philadelphia Eagles combined to become The Steagles. The NFL never registered "Steagles" as a trademark. However, the official NFL record book refers to the team as "Phil-Pitt."

By walking an extra 20 minutes every day, an average person will burn off seven pounds of body fat in a year.

Watermelons, which are 92% water, originated from the Kalahari Desert in Africa.

(<http://www.greatfacts.com/>)

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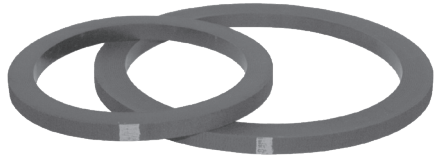
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Product Spotlight

Fuel Gaskets for Cam & Groove fittings

Today's motor fuels are quite complex. It is rare to find motor fuels in their pure form such as straight, plain gasoline or diesel. Modern fuels may contain many hi-tech additives, and 'Bio' products such as Biodiesel and Ethanol. To top it off, each oil company can use a different blend of additives; the result is that the standard Buna-N gasket is no longer compatible with today's fuels.

With the goal of providing a cam and groove gasket that works with these modern fuels, Dixon researched and tested various materials and produced a unique Buna blend specially formulated to stand up to these new fuel blends.



- formulated for use with ethanol, bio-diesel and many fuel additives
- drop in replacement for other cam and groove gasket materials
- gaskets are black with green stripe for easy identification

Paddle Handles for Cam & Groove fittings

The improved handle design for the Dixon cam and groove product line provides easier opening and closing of the coupler.

The new paddle handles, sizes 1½", 2", 3", 4", and 5", can be used on aluminum and brass cam and groove and will be phased in on all future couplers.



- wider grip area
- easy to close

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Product Safety

• Partially-open or fully-open cam arms on hose assemblies are dangerous. This hazardous condition can be caused by a number of different factors. Three of the most common are:

- 1) The operator fails to ensure that the cam arms are fully closed upon hooking-up the assembly;
 - 2) High vibration within the pumping system, combined with worn or missing gaskets;
 - 3) High "impulse shock" within the pumping system causing severe wear on various parts of the coupler.
- In order for Cam and Groove couplings to function properly, the cam arms must be completely down and in the closed position. Care should be taken to ensure that the pull rings on the arms are not tucked under the arms next to the body of the coupler. Such action would prevent the arm from being totally closed.

Another precaution to be aware of prior to changing parts is OEM related. The various manufacturers of cam and groove style couplings do not necessarily have compatible or interchangeable parts. It is recommended that you secure your replacement parts from the manufacturer of the coupling.

Dates in History

1913 On September the 10th, the Lincoln Highway was opened becoming the first coast-to-coast paved highway in the United States. It stretched 3,385 miles between New York City and San Francisco. Construction on the highway began in 1914. After a national system of route numbers was adopted in 1926, the highway was designated as U.S. 30.

2004 On September the 30th, the first images of a live giant squid in its natural habitat were taken by Japanese scientists off the coast of Japan's Ogasawara Islands.

<http://www.ducksters.com/history/septemberinhistory.php>

On the Lighter Side

Signs of the Times

Sign in a London department store:

Bargain basement upstairs

In an office:

After tea break staff should empty the teapot and stand upside down on the draining rack

Outside a second-hand shop:

We exchange anything - bicycles, washing machines, etc. Why not bring your wife along and get a wonderful bargain?

Outside a disco:

Smarts is the most exclusive disco in town. Everyone welcome.

Sign on motorway garage:

Please do not smoke near our petrol pumps. Your life may not be worth much but our petrol is.

Notice in health food shop window:

Closed due to illness.

Spotted in a safari park:

Elephants please stay in your car.

Notice in a field:

The farmer allows walkers to cross the field for free, but the bull charges.

Sign on a repair shop door:

We can repair anything.
(Please knock hard on the door - the bell doesn't work)

Spotted in a toilet in a London office block:

Toilet out of order.
Please use floor below.

In a grocery store:

Snickers, 5 for \$1.00 (limit 4).

On a dock:

"Safety ladder, climb at own risk."

Interstate 5 north of San Diego, CA

Cruise Ships: Use Airport Exit.

<http://www.humormatters.com/signs.htm>