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Potable water distribution

New product range

Small diameters, innovating together.



A complete ductile iron pipeline system DN/OD 90, 110 and 125



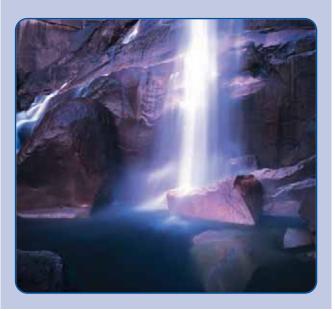


THE BLUTOP RANGE

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IN TUNE WITH CHANGING NEEDS

We are becoming increasingly aware exactly how scarce and precious water is. Sustainable management is essential in order to conserve this resource for future generations. Ensuring an

ongoing supply of quality potable tap water is a daily challenge for all, and as the last link in the water cycle prior to reaching our homes and consumption, distribution pipelines play a key role in successfully meeting that challenge. They are crucial in order to guarantee the availability and quality of potable water.

Water suppliers are generating new demands in order to meet the challenges water presents in the twenty-first century.

Keeping in tune with your needs and providing the necessary solutions are our main concerns. We have channelled our skill and know-how on a European scale to offer highly original and innovative advances.

PACC1 has combined the very latest innovations in ductile iron pipelines with the highly practical characteristics of plastics.

With Blutop, our brand new solution in small diameters, you will never again have to make the choice between

- Flexibility and resistance!
- Competitiveness and durability!
- Innovation and tradition!

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A complete pipeline system, Blutop offers a whole new approach to the use of ductile iron in small diameter pipes.

Blutop, small diameters, "innovating together"

NEW DEMANDS

NEW DEMANDS IN WATER DISTRIBUTION

Modern day water distribution is becoming increasingly high-tech.

Each part of the distribution system plays a key role in guaranteeing the standards of the water supply service. In addition to collection systems and treatment plants, the transport and distribution networks are also crucially important. Indeed, potable water pipeline requirements have become highly sophisticated.





The advantages of blutop

THE NEED FOR NEW SOLUTIONS

Renewing or maintaining the network is a key issue. Underground potable water networks are often made of grey or ductile cast iron but also of plastics that may be almost 50 years old.

Blutop allows for the replacement of lengths of old plastic, taking advantage of the latest advances in ductile iron, in sizes that are compatible with the existing network.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Like roadways, water and sewerage pipelines are infrastructures that are built to serve several generations.

Sustainable development is based on the use of 'long-lasting' rather than 'throwaway' equipment. PAM has applied these principles to the design of its Blutop range, providing an environmentally-friendly solution.

DURABILITY

The level of finance allocated to renewing water networks is falling in relative terms, resulting in a need to increase the network's useful life. In Europe, where annual renewal rates stand at between 0.6% and 0.7%, we should therefore be aiming for an average life of more than 100 years.

LEAKTIGHTNESS

Reducing leakage in water networks is one of the major concerns of all water companies. Blutop provides a two-fold solution: the renowned leaktightness and pressure resistance of the ductile iron components, pipes, fittings, gate valves and accessories. The ductile iron elements are resistant to ageing and warping and their mechanical properties remain unaltered over time. Studies have been carried out on the joints in the Blutop range to guarantee an ongoing pressure resistance of 25 bar. A series of performance tests allow for guaranteed leaktightness ranging from the initial hydraulic reception test (up to 35 bar) to the end of its lifecycle (simulated ageing) including resisting water hammer of up to 30 bar.

OPERATION

In terms of network maintenance, old plastic pipes can be replaced with Blutop pipes directly on site, and it is also possible to use the wide range of maintenance and angle branch accessories. This means that maintenance teams do not need to keep several types of spare parts in stock. The larger hydraulic section of Blutop pipes increases the hydraulic capacity of the network and results in significant savings in pumping costs.

WATER QUALITY

The materials used in the Blutop range (Ductan coating, epoxy, elastomers, lubricating paste, repair products) all hold the potability approval certificate required for materials and products in contact with drinking water. They conform to French, UK, German and Belgian standards or regulations in this area. We are currently in the process of obtaining similar certification in other countries.

Blutop joints are designed to resist extremely high pressures and distortion, thereby preventing ground water from filtering into the pipes.

INSTALLATION

Blutop has revolutionised installation and operation procedures, backed up by your professional skill and know-how.

Thanks to the easy manual handling of the pipes and fittings, and ease of jointing, on-site laying is faster and more efficient.

BLUTOP, INNOVATING TOGETHER

Blutop is a brand new bespoke solution created after taking careful note of your specific needs and requirements.

PAM has made full use of its technological know-how and capacity to design, create and develop Blutop.

THE NEW BLUTOP SOLUTION

A HOST OF INNOVATIONS



- Manual handling and easy jointing for rapid on-site work
- Conservation of water quality
- Reuse of natural backfill
- Compatible with plastic pipes and accessories
- A full and coherent range
- Designed to last more than 100 years
- Guaranteed leaktightness

Powder epoxy external coating with a minimum thickness of 250µm

Grip handle

Crowbar support

Blutop anchor joint

1/8 bend (45°)

with a deviation of up to 6°





External coating Zinalium: Zn/Al 85/15 400g/m² ultramarine blue epoxy

Ductile iron

 Higher hydraulic section
External diameter compatible with PVC and PE pipes

Ductan thermoplastic internal lining with a minimum thickness of 300µm"

PROVEN TECHNICAL PERFORMANCE!

• For networks up to 25 bar

Non-anchored Blutop joint with a deviation of up to 6°

- Zinalium external coating (85/15 zinc aluminium alloy and epoxy)
- Ductan thermoplastic internal lining
- Joint angle deviation of up to 6°
- Brand new anchor system
- Large hydraulic section



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

BLUTOP IS A FURTHER STEP FORWARD IN SAINT-GOBAIN PAM'S COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

At the core of our corporate culture

Sustainable development lies at the core of our corporate culture. Saint-Gobain PAM rapidly took on board the early principles of sustainable development put forward by the Brundtland Commission. Since 1987 this international commission has urged today's generations to "satisfy their needs without compromising the capacity of future generations to satisfy their own".

Saint-Gobain PAM's commitment covers the following key areas:

- Environment
- Industry and finance
- Social factors

PAM products have been installed in more than 100 capitals and over 1,000 major cities worldwide. Saint-Gobain PAM is currently involved in a large number of water conveyance and sewerage systems, thereby contributing to the development of countries in South America and Africa, as well as in China and the Middle East.

Its state-of-the-art technologies and commitment to ongoing research and development enables the company to offer its customers quality, long-lasting, reliable and ergonomic solutions.

Saint-Gobain currently ranks on the Global 100 List of the world's most sustainable companies. These companies are selected from those included on the MSCI World, a worldwide financial index maintained by Morgan Stanley Capital International, which assesses corporate management of environmental, social and governance risks and opportunities.

SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS ON A DAILY BASIS

Saint-Gobain PAM's strategy in terms of sustainable development is divided into numerous specific actions. Below are just a few examples of these:

THE ENVIRONMENT

- Saint-Gobain PAM is fully committed to water cycle projects.
- Emerging nations such as China, India and Russia have opted to base their water conveyance networks on ductile iron pipelines.
- Saint-Gobain PAM is actively involved in the development of hydroelectric micro power stations, particularly in Norway and Austria.
- The launch of the Urbital range aims to boost the use of recycled water.
- Saint-Gobain PAM encourages the use of natural backfills instead of imported materials, thereby drastically reducing truck journeys.
- Anchor technologies allow for the elimination of large and heavy concrete thrust blocks, thereby generating additional space underground.
- Ductile iron is fully and permanently recyclable.

Industry and finance

- Saint-Gobain PAM uses charcoal from its plantations to product coke its blast furnaces in Brazil.
- The aim is to cut energy consumption by a quarter between now and 2040.
- Energy consumption during transportation is reduced thanks to the lower weight of products.
- 19% of Saint-Gobain PAM's investments in France are spent on the environment and safety.
- 66% of its products are transported by rail, river and sea:
 - 1 train = 30 trucks
 - 1 barge = 20 trucks
- In just 10 years, Saint-Gobain PAM has cut its energy needs by 30%.
- 80% of its waste products are reused.
- By 2010 all its factories will hold ISO 14001 certifications.

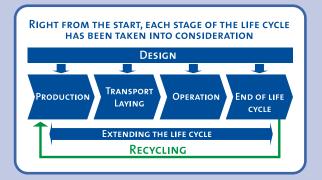
Social

- The company's social policy is based on 3 principles:
 - Respect for individuals,
 - Respect for health and safety in the workplace,
- Respect for employees' rights. • 3.5% of the wages budget is spent on training
- (50,000 hours).The Work Assistance Centre is dedicated to the integration of the disabled.
- Saint-Gobain has signed up to the UN's Global Compact, Caring for Climate and the CEO Water Mandate.



BLUTOP, AT THE SERVICE OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Blutop is a brand new water distribution solution designed for a world in which natural resources are becoming increasingly scarce. Minimising the impact on the environment has been an ongoing objective, covering all stages of the project, from the initial design stages and including the entire product life cycle.



• Reduction in the amount of materials used

- A DN/OD 110 Blutop pipe contains just 45 kg of iron compared with the 95 kg of a previous generation K9 pipe
- 15 kg of cement mortar have been replaced by less than 1 kg of Ductan

• Extended product durability

- The Zinalium external coating increases the life of pipelines in aggressive soils by a factor of at least 2 to 3.
- The Ductan internal lining is totally inert when in contact with potable water, thereby guaranteeing long life

Production technologies

- PAM uses optimised state-of-the-art technologies in its production of ductile iron pipelines
- Scrap iron is used in the production of Blutop pipelines
- Natural charcoal is used to produce Blutop fittings

More efficient laying techniques

- The manual handling of the pipelines makes for simpler, faster and more efficient laying
- In most cases it is possible to reuse natural backfill

Operation

- The excellent leaktightness of Blutop pipelines and their resistance to all types of external forces enhance the network performance levels, preventing water wastage
- The large hydraulic section, combined with the perfectly smooth inner surfaces, reduces energy consumption during pumping
- And finally, the quality of the water transported by Blutop pipelines encourages consumers to drink tap water – the most economical way of drinking water

Blutop pipe and fitting facilities hold the ISO 14001 Environmental Management Standard Certification.







A RANGE DESIGNED TO LAST OVER 100 YEARS

Why set our sights on more than 100 years?

Pipelines for the distribution of potable water form part of the agenda of local groups, authorities and water companies. They represent a major investment aimed at providing consumers with a faultless standard of service.

Today, water network renewal rates are less than 1% a year (e.g. in France the annual average is between 0.6% and 0.7%). This means that the pipelines currently in existence will have to last more than 100 years – a figure that goes far beyond practical depreciation time periods and normal design specifications. Yet in the light of these investment rates, this figure must prevail above all others. Saint-Gobain PAM products are designed to meet this demand for durability

Blutop is able to meet this durability objective thanks to the following factors:

- High degree of mechanical resistance
- Protection against soil aggression
- Protection against water
- Joint flexibility





HIGH DEGREE OF MECHANICAL RESISTANCE

The Blutop range offers excellent mechanical properties. The pipes, fittings and joints are all class 25. The bursting pressure values are in excess of 150 bar. All the pipes are individually tested at 40 bar.

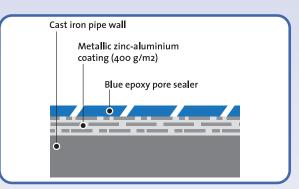
The high degree of diameter rigidity prevents a reduction in the cross section caused by the earth loads due to pipe ovalisation.

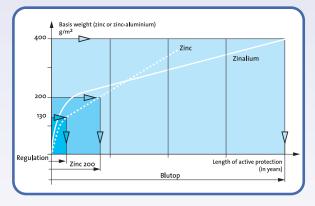
DN/OD	90	110	125
Diameter rigidity	373,000	201,000	136,000
	N/m²	N/m²	N/m²

PROTECTION AGAINST SOIL AGRESSION

Potable water pipelines are in direct contact with the soil. One of the widely-acknowledged advantages of iron pipelines is their resistance to soil corrosion. The modern Zinalium external coating, based on 400 g/m² 85/15 zinc-aluminium true alloy and blue epoxy is a further step forward in increasing resistance levels:

- An increase in the durability of the protection by a factor of at least 2 to 3, depending on the type of soil
- Possibility of using the range in a wider range of soils (please refer to Regulation EN 545: 2007, Appendix D.2.3. for further details)





Zinalium coating, the result of research at Saint-Gobain PAM, has a worldwide patent



PROTECTION AGAINST WATER AGGRESSION

Potable waters can have an aggressive impact on pipelines, either due to their mineral content or treatment products such as disinfectants. It is for this reason that all ductile iron pipelines come with an internal lining.

Traditionally, ductile iron pipelines have been lined with cement mortar.

With Blutop, this cement mortar has been replaced by the new Ductan thermoplastic ultramarine blue lining.

This coating has the same functional characteristics as the powder epoxy coating applied to gate valves. The following are particularly worthy of note:

- Fully adherent with an average value of 15 MPa (150 kg/cm²) and a minimum value of 8 MPa. This is of particular interest in case of:
 - Under pressure tapping
 - On-site cutting
- Perfectly smooth for laminar flow
- Seamless protection of the barrel, socket and the pipe spigot
- Ductan is lightweight, reducing the weight of Blutop pipes by 25%.

In addition, the Ductan coating is also impact-resistant and adapts perfectly to on-site laying conditions

PROTECTION AGAINST EARTH MOVEMENTS

The bending moment reflects the pipes capacity to resist deformation caused by movements of the earth.

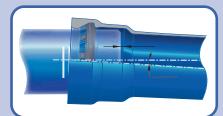
DN/OD	90	110	125	
Bending moment	3,328 N/m	5,017 N/m	6,511 N/m	

The joint maximum angular deflection enables the main to absorb earth movements without affecting the pipe integrity. Consequently, Blutop joints have a particularly high deviation capacity of up to 6° in both the anchored and non-anchored version for pipes and fittings.

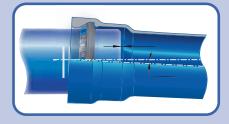
Maximum angular deflection	DN/OD 90	DN/OD 110	DN/OD 125
Non-anchored joint	6°	6°	6°
Anchored joint	6°	6°	6°

The increased jointing depth also allows for greater earth movements whilst reducing the risk of the joints becoming separated. These values exceed those specified in regulation EN 12842: 2000.

DN/OD	90	110	125
Jointing depth	57 mm	60 mm	61 mm

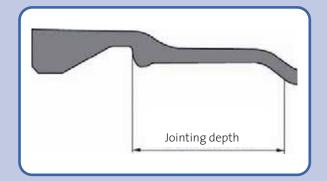


Angle of deflection with the non-anchored joint



Angle of deflection with the anchored joint

This also eliminates the risks of the joints becoming separated due to thermal expansion, as ductile iron expands around 5 times less than PVC and approximately 15 times less than polyethylene.



LEAK TIGHTNESS

LEAKTIGHTNESS

Guaranteed leaktightness

Joint performance determines the reliability of the pipelines during the following operations:

- Jointing
- Pressurising
- And also during:
- The product's life cycle,
- All conditions of use

PAM has combined all its design skill and know-how, together with that of the very finest gasket manufacturers, in order to create the Blutop joint.

One of Blutop's major advantages is the pipeline anchor system, which eliminate the need for heavy concrete thrust blocks.

The technology developed and patented by Saint-Gobain PAM has greatly enhanced the competitiveness of its anchor systems.



CHANNELLING THE JOINTING FORCE

The Blutop joint has been specially designed in order to guarantee:

- Easy laying with a lower force requirement to allow for jointing using a crowbar
- Safe laying thanks to a mechanism to prevent the gasket from becoming loose during assembly
- Support points along the fittings make for easy jointing along the correct axis plane

This unique design, which has been perfected in close collaboration with several installers, allows for faster laying without causing additional tiredness and fatigue.



HIGH PERFORMANCE LEVELS

The full use of Saint Gobain PAM technologies has made it possible to create high performance Blutop joints.

Joint	PFA Allowable operating pressure	PMA Allowable maximum pressure	PEA Allowable Test Pressure
Non-anchored	25 bar	30 bar	35 bar
Anchored	16 bar	19 bar	20 bar



STUDY OF THE FULL RANGE OF PRESSURE OPTIONS

During their useful lifetime, water distribution pipelines are subjected to numerous types of pressure. This naturally includes standard service pressure, but also the following:

- Day / night time pressure cycles
- Water hammer
- Pressure drops
- External pressure from the earth, groundwater
- Period without pressure prior to commencement of operations

In each of these situations, the joints are subjected to specific types of stress.

For this reason all joints for ductile iron pipelines are designed and tested in accordance with strict methods:

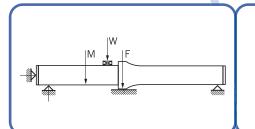
• In accordance with EN 545 testing: 4 tests

• PAM's own specific testing consisting of 4 additional tests

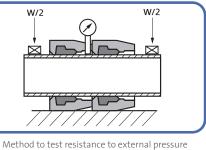
These tests are carried out on both non-anchored and anchored joints, taking into account the full impact of said tests, with a safety factor of 1.5xPFA + 5, namely 29 bar, in the case of 16 bar pressure. In addition, PAM carefully studies all its new joints using scientific finite element calculus methods similar to those used in the aeronautical and car industries. These design methods and tests guarantee unbeatable durability and reliability.

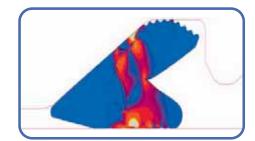
Method	Conditions	Pressure	Objective	Reference
Positive internal pressure	Maximum deviation Shear force 30 DN	1,5 PFA+5 bar	To prove the joint's capacity to withstand the hydraulic pressure	EN 545
Negative internal pressure	Maximum deviation Shear force 30 DN	-0,9 bar	To prove that the joint is airtight	EN 545
Cyclic internal pressure	Shear force 30 DN	24000 cycles PMA-5 ->PMA	To prove the joint's fatigue performance	EN 545
Positive external pressure	Maximum deviation Shear force 30 DN	2 bar	To prove that the joint is resistant to groundwater	EN 545
Positive internal pressure	Maximum deviation Shear force 30 DN	Set up using seal bush at 1.5 PFA+5 bar	To prove joint performance at all pressure levels	PAM
Ageing	Water at 80°C	3 months of cycles PMA-5 ->PMA	To prove the joint's ageing performance	PAM
Fine sand infestation	Fine sand heavily compacted around the joint prior to pressurising	First three EN 545 tests	To prove the resistance to sand entering the joint	PAM
Silt infestation	Compaction of silt around the joint prior to pressurising	First three EN 545 tests	To prove the resistance to mud and silt under the gasket	PAM

Test methods



Method to test resistance to positive, negative and cyclic internal pressure





Finite element calculus study of the Blutop joint Joint modelling

INSTALLATION

MANUAL INSTALLATION

Improving laying conditions is a key issue in the Blutop project.

Laying small diameter pipelines looks set to remain an essentially manual task for some considerable time to come. Distribution pipes often have to be transported to sites that are difficult to reach. Accessing the trenches, occasionally situated between shoring, may often turn into a complex operation. Assembling the pipes, fittings and accessories in a confined space is extremely complex.

Any advance that can reduce these hard, laborious tasks will therefore contribute to site competitiveness.



MANUAL HANDLING

When it comes to laying, the first advantage the Blutop range offers is that the products can be handled manually by two people, and do not require mechanical methods.

Mass	DN/OD 90	DN/OD 110	DN/OD 125
6 m pipe	36.6 kg	45 kg	52 kg
Metric mass	6.1 kg/m	7.5 kg/m	8.6 kg/m

The pipes can be situated close to the trench, even in sites that are difficult to access. They can also be laid at the bottom of the trench manually, without the need for mechanical assistance. The pipes can be installed by a single person, as can the fittings which come with handles making them easy to grip.

CROWBAR JOINTING

The second advantage of the Blutop range is that pipes and fittings can be jointed with a simple crowbar. Jointing using a crowbar is a particular advantage, and especially in the case of bends. This is possible because of the following factors:

- The Blutop socket has been specially designed to minimise the effort required for jointing
- The fittings feature support points with allows easy position of the bar and for effort to be applied along the jointing axis.

FASTER ON-SITE PROGRESS

The third advantage Blutop offers is the direct consequence of the first two. Thanks to the possibility of manual handling and jointing, the mechanical digger on the site can continue working on the trenches, whilst the team assembles the pipes and fittings. The result is optimised use of the mechanical equipment and faster on-site progress.

In addition, smaller digging equipment can be used, with the corresponding reduction in machinery and fuel costs.



Learn more about laying and setting up the Blutop range by consulting our "Laying Guide"



« EXTRAS » THAT MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

Numerous aspects of the products have been studied in order to facilitate on-site operations. Below are just a few examples:

- Easy to clean jointing The smooth shape of the jointing makes it easy to clean any dirt accumulated from the trench.
- Smooth leaktight surfaces The smooth surfaces of the pipe coating and fitting joints make it possible to check the cleanliness of the joints at a glance
- Easy to insert joints
- The gasket slides easily into the pre-lubricated socket, removing the need to alter the gasket shape.

• Fast cutting

The use of Ductan instead of cement mortar for the internal lining, helps to reduce cutting time and disk wear and tear.

• Recovery of the tapping disk The Blutop pipe tapping tools, required to create the service connections, allow for the precise cutting of the Ductan coating, as well as the full recovery of the disk.

Fewer fittings

The angular deviation of the joint, which can be up to 6°, can be used to reduce the number of bends, thereby cutting site costs. This also contributes to improving the water flow.





























OPERATIONS

OPERATING FACTORS PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN THE DESIGN PHASE

An increasingly important consideration

The Blutop range has been designed to provide solutions to operational difficulties. Careful attention was given to the mechanical design of the joints in order to guarantee leaktightness under all conditions (see pages 12 and 13) and throughout the product's lifetime.

The increase in the hydraulic section of the pipes is a crucial aspect in the development of the Blutop range.

Size compatibility with PVC or PE pipes is also a major asset as most networks are plastic and it is necessary to ensure that old or prematurely aged sections can be easily replaced.

REDUCTION IN PUMPING COSTS

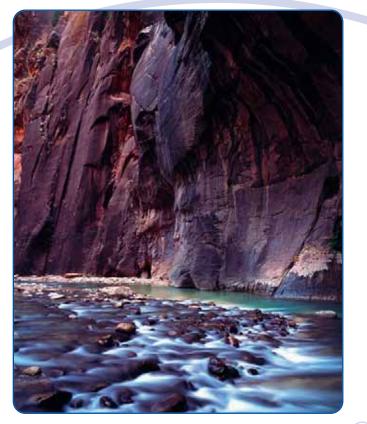
Guaranteeing the appropriate flow and pressure of the water may prove complex in particularly long sections and complex networks or those requiring additional extensions. The hydraulic diameter of Blutop pipelines is greater than those of standard plastic pipes and they can operate at higher pressures.

A large hydraulic section will cut pumping costs by reducing head losses; the head loss is proportional to the diameter to the power of 6!

At the given flow, each extra % on the diameter represents 5% less head loss!

The rigidity of the Blutop pipes, combined with the long term stability of their mechanical properties, prevents the ovalisation of the pipelines during trench compaction and over time. The hydraulic cross section therefore remains unaltered.

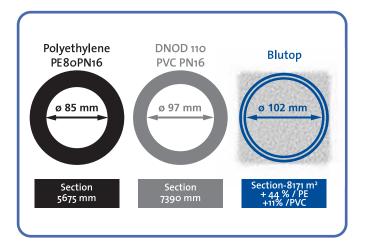
For fire protection, hydraulic sections are playing an increasingly important role. Ensuring the 60 m³/h required by law (Circular dated 10 December 1951) is often complex in the case of remote areas. Practical and convenient hydraulic sections, as with Blutop pipes, can make a significant contribution to solving this requirement without the need for any additional investment.







A comparison of the Blutop hydraulic section with DN/OD 110 PVC and PE tubes



These data highlight a number of advantages of the Blutop pipelines:

- The hydraulic diameter of Blutop pipelines is always considerably greater than that of standard plastic pipe.
- In many cases, smaller Blutop pipe can replace larger plastic pipes.

For example a Blutop DN/OD 110 pipe can replace a PE80 PN 16 DN/OD 125

	PVC	Polyet	Blutop	
PN/PFA	PVC 16	PE80 16	PE100 16	Blutop 25
90	77	70	74	82
110	97	85	90	102
125	110	97	102	117
140	123	109	115	_

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PVC tube pursuant to regulation EN 1452 and a PE tube in accordance with regulation EN 12201

COMPATIBILITY WITH EXISTING PLASTIC NETWORKS

Blutop pipes and fittings have been designed to be compatible with plastic pipes. This means that the spigots of PVC or HDPE pipes that comply with current regulations may be jointed with Blutop pipes or fittings.

This compatibility allows for the homogeneous design of mainly plastic networks, as well as for existing accessory stocks to be used up.

Saint-Gobain PAM service connections for plastic pipes may be fitted to Blutop pipes.

The same is also applicable to those accessories provided by other suppliers that have validated their products with Blutop (you should contact these suppliers to check whether their products are compatible with Blutop).

SMOOTH SURFACES

The coatings internal used in the Blutop range – Ductan for the pipes and epoxy for the fittings – guarantee perfectly smooth surfaces.

The roughness coefficient of Blutop pipes is less than o.o1 mm. This extremely low rate also contributes to reducing head losses, although the key factor in this aspect is undoubtedly the increase in the cross sectional area.

Hydraulic diameters of PVC, PEhd and Blutop pipes

WATER QUALITY

QUALITY WATER

A key concern

Recent international surveys have confirmed that a growing number of consumers are showing increased satisfaction with supplied water.

This is positive for sustainable development as it helps to limit the impact on the environment caused by the preparation and transportation of bottled water. The development of the Blutop range has also contributed to this trend by offering pipes, fittings and joints that respect the water they transport

EUROPEAN APPROVAL

The European dimension of the Blutop range is clearly shown by the fact that the Ductan internal lining currently holds water potability standard certificates in several European countries:

- Compliance with the French regulation "Attestation de Conformité Sanitaire" for Ductan, epoxy, lubricant and gaskets.
- Compliance with Belgium's 'Hydrocheck' certification procedure, issued by Belgaqua.
- Compliance with the German UBA-Guideline and DVGW-W270 certification procedures, issued by the Ruhrgebiets Hygiene Institute in Gelsenkirchen.
- Compliance with UK BS 6920 standards issued by the WRAS.
- \bullet Compliance with "regulation 31 (4) (a)" in England, Wales and Scotland.
- Other certification procedures in several other European countries are currently in progress.

INERT IN CONTACT WITH WATER

Tests on the migration of organic particles in water reveal extremely low levels of migration and migration speed, the result of Ductan's, inert ness.

	Organic carbon total COT (mg/l)	Migration speed mg/dm2/day	
	Non-chlorir	nated water	
1 st immersion	0.06	<0.01	
2 nd immersion	0.01	<0.01	
3 rd immersion	<0.01	<0.01	
	Chlorinated v	vater (1 mg/l)	
1 st immersion	0.19	0.01	
2 nd immersion	0.38	0.03	
3 rd immersion	0.11	0.01	



LONG-LASTING INTERNAL SURFACES

The internal surfaces of the Blutop pipelines are coated with Ductan in the case of pipes and epoxy for fittings. These 2 coatings provide a uniform internal covering for the pipelines.

Epoxy is well-known as a coating material for valves and is highly valued for its chemical inertness in water.

The same is also true of Ductan, with similar characteristics to epoxy and enhanced impact resistance.

The surfaces are smooth and inert, thereby helping to prevent deposits from building up in the mains.

The performance of Ductan has been studied over several thousand hours at a temperature of 40°C and in contact with various disinfection products such as

- Sodium hypochlorite
- Chlorine dioxide

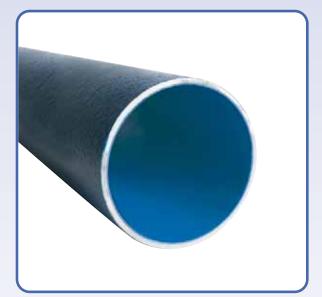
The main conclusions of these studies are listed below:

- Excellent stability of the chemical structure
- Absence of chemical change as shown by the lack of surface erosion or cracking
- The mechanical properties undergo no significant changes during elongation traction

UNFAVOURABLE CONDITIONS FOR BACTERIAL GROWTH

From the point of view of the bacteriological of the water, the inert and long-lasting nature of the Ductan internal lining does not support bacterial growth (as confirmed by the tests carried out by Hydrocheck in Belgium).

Indeed, the inertness of the Ductan internal lining prevents the transfer of carbon compounds that may favour the growth of bacterial colonies by supplying them with the necessary nutrients.





THE BLUTOP RANGE



BLUTOP PIPES

DN/OD mm	Lu m	Class	Nominal e mm	DE mm	DI mm	P mm	B mm	Mass kg/m	Reference
90	6	25	3.0	90.0	92.7	86.0	128.0	6.1	KXL90H60
110	6	25	3.0	110.0	112.8	89.0	148.0	7.5	KXM11H60
125	6	25	3.0	125.0	128.0	98.5	163.0	8.6	KXM12H60

BLUTOP NON-ANCHORED JOINTS

DN/OD mm	PFA bar	Mass kg/m	Reference
90	25	0.060	JXL90BA
110	25	0.075	JXM11BA
125	25	0.090	JXM12BA

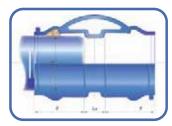
BLUTOP ANCHORED JOINTS

DN/OD mm	PFA bar	Mass kg/m	Reference
90	16	0.095	JXL90CA
110	16	0.115	JXM11CA
125	16	0.130	JXM12CA

BLUTOP COLLARS

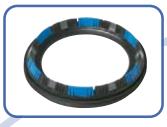
DN/OD mm	P mm	Lu mm	Mass kg/m	Reference
90	93.0	40	3.86	KXL90MN
110	99.0	40	4.91	KXM11MN
125	105.0	40	5.70	KXM12MN





Availability schedule DN/OD 110 = available DN/OD 90 = available DN/OD 125 = available



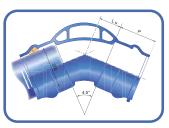




BLUTOP BENDS

ANGLE degree	DN/OD mm	P mm	Lu mm	Mass kg	Reference
1/4 90°	90 110 125	93.0 99.0 105.0	75.0 85.0 110.0	5.22 6.70 8.31	KXL90CA KXM11CA KXM12CA
1/8 45°	90 110 125	93.0 99.0 105.0	50.0 60.0 65.0	4.88 6.40 7.40	KXL90CB KXM11CB KXM12CB
1/16 22°30	90 110 125	93.0 99.0 105.0	30.0 30.0 30.0	4.17 5.25 6.06	KXL90CD KXM11CD KXM12CD
1/32 11°15	90 110 125	93.0 99.0 105.0	30.0 30.0 30.0	3.90 5.20 5.90	KXL90CE KXM11CE KXM12CE



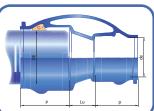


BLUTOP DUCKFOOT BENDS

DN/OD mm	DN	Mass kg	Reference
90	80	9.10	KXL90DFOE
110	80	11.90	KXM11DFOE
125	80	14.50	KXM12DFOE







BLUTOP TAPERS

DN/OD mm	Ø D1 mm	P1 mm	Lu mm	DE mm	P2 mm	Lt mm	Mass kg	Reference
90	123	93	40	63 75	83 87	216 220	3.30 3.56	KXL90VE0B KXL90VE0C
110	146	99	50	63 75 90	83 87 93	232 236 242	3.96 4.21 4.59	KXM11VE0B KXM11VE0C KXM11VE0D
125	162	104	45	90 110	93 99	147 248	4.99 5.40	KXM12VE0D KXM12VE0E

BLUTOP FLANGED SPIGOTS

DN/OD mm	PN bar	Lu mm	L mm	B mm	Mass kg	Reference
90	10-16	102	167	200	4.96	KXL90BU1E
110	10-16	110	180	220	6.48	KXM11BU1F
125	10-16	114	188	250	8.33	KXM12BU1G



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BLUTOP FLANGED SOCKETS

DN/OD mm	PN bar	Lu mm	L mm	B mm	Mass kg	Reference
90	10-16	93	68	200	5.44	KXL90BE1E
110	10-16	99	68	220	6.96	KXM11BE1F
125	10-16	105	66	250	8.65	KXM12BE1G



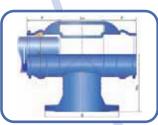


BLUTOP FLANGE ADAPTERS

			Non-ar	nchored	Anch	ored
DN/OD mm	DN -	PN bar	Mass kg	Reference	Mass kg	Reference
90	80	10-16	2.60	MAL90DACH	2.80	216901
110	100	10-16	3.20	160754	3.40	216902
125	125	10-16	4.10	160755	4.30	216906







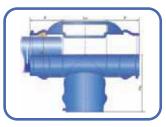
BLUTOP FLANGE ON DOUBLE SOCKET TEES

DN/OD mm	PN bar	P mm	Lu mm	Hu mm	B mm	Mass kg	Reference
90x40	10-16	93.0	65.0	135.0	150.0	6.43	KXL90TD1A
90x60	10-16	93.0	90.0	155.0	175.0	7.97	KXL90TD1C
90x65*	10-16	93.0	90.0	155.0	175.0	8.20	KXL90TD1D
90x80	10-16	93.0	105.0	160.0	200.0	9.22	KXL90TD1E
110x40	10-16	99.0	65.0	145.0	150.0	7.52	KXM11TD1A
110x60	10-16	99.0	90.0	165.0	175.0	9.13	KXM11TD1C
110x65*	10-16	99.0	90.0	165.0	175.0	9.13	KXM11TD1D
110x80	10-16	99.0	105.0	170.0	200.0	10.41	KXM11TD1E
110x100	10-16	99.0	125.0	170.0	220.0	11.94	KXM11TD1F
125x40	10-16	104.0	65.0	160.0	150.0	8.43	KXM12TD1A
125x60	10-16	104.0	90.0	160.0	175.0	9.93	KXM12TD1C
125x65*	10-16	104.0	90.0	160.0	175.0	10.00	KXM12TD1D
125x80	10-16	104.0	105.0	170.0	200.0	11.26	KXM12TD1E
125x100	10-16	104.0	125.0	180.0	220.0	12.95	KXM12TD1F
125x125	10-16	104.0	150.0	180.0	250.0	14.86	KXM12TD1G

* on demand







BLUTOP ALL SOCKET TEES

DN/OD mm	Ø D1 mm	P1 mm	Lu mm	DE mm	Ø d1 mm	P2 mm	Hu mm	Lt mm	Mass kg/m	Reference
90	123	92.5	105	90	123	92.5	56	290	6.53	KXL90TE0D
110	146	99	125 134	90 110	123 146	92.5 99	67	303 332	7.82 8.70	KXM11TE0D KXM11TE0E
125	162	104	105 125 150	90 110 125	123 146 162	93 99 104	74	313 333 358	8.74 9.59 10.36	KXM12TE0D KXM12TE0E KXM12TE0G

BLUTOP PLUGS

DN/OD mm	Ø D1 Mm	Lt mm	Mass kg/m	Reference
90	123	107	1.96	KXL90BH
110	146	113	2.55	KXM11BH
125	162	118	3.02	KXM12BH

BLUTOP REPAIR PRODUCTS

Name	Mass kg	Reference
Eurokote 438 RAL 5002	1	213686



BLUTOP LUBRICATING PASTE

Name	Mass kg	Reference
Blutop lubricating paste	0.85	214611

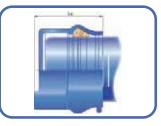


PIPE TAPPING MACHINE

Name	Mass kg	Reference	
Service connection tapping machine	16	215439	







FULL TAPPING KIT FOR BLUTOP PIPES

Name	Mass kg	Reference
20 (19 mm)	0.19	214191
25 (24 mm)	0.20	214193
32 (30 mm)	0.26	214195
40 (38 mm)	0.27	214196

EXCLUSIVE BLUTOP MULTI-TOOTH SAW (SPARE PART)

Name	Mass kg	Reference
20 (19 mm)	0.10	215444
25 (24 mm)	0.12	215445
32 (30 mm)	0.17	215446
40 (38 mm)	0.24	215447





DETAILED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

PIPE AND FITTING METALLURGICAL SPECIFICATIONS

The metallurgical specifications of the Blutop pipes and fittings are included in European Standard EN 545.

Specification	Unit	Pipes	Fittings
Minimum tensile strength	MPa	420	420
Minimum elongation	%	10	5
Maximum Brinell hardness	HB	230	250
Minimum elasticity modulus	GPa	170	170

PIPE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

The technical specifications are the following.

DN/OD	Unit	9	0	11	0	12	25
External diameter tolerance	Mm	90	+ 0.6 - 1.0	110.0	+ 0.7 - 1.0	125.0	+ 0.8 - 1.0
Average internal diameter	Mm	8	32	10)2	1.	17
Cast iron nominal thickness	Mm	3	.0	3,	0	3	.0
Calculation thickness (1)	Mm	2	.2	2.	2	2	.2
Nominal metric mass (2)	Kg/m	6	.1	7.	5	8	.6
Nominal pipe mass (2)	Kg/pipe	3	37	4	5	5	2

(1) Thickness in point 1 cannot be less than the calculation thickness(2) Indicative mass of iron for average wall thickness of 3 mm

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS OF THE DUCTAN INTERNAL LINING

The principal specifications of Ductan are given in the table below:

Specification	Value
Colour	Ultramarine blue (close to RAL 5002)
Density (dry film)	0.96 g/cm ³
Adherence (ISO 4624)	≥ 10 MPa on shot blasted steel plate
Shore hardness D	44
Breaking length (ISO 527)	≥ 400%
Stress cracking (ASTM D1693)	> 1000h
Induction time prior to oxidation at 200°C (EN 728)	> 10 min under O ₂



The principal properties of Ductan lining inside Blutop pipe barrels are given in the table below

Specification	Criteria
Adhesion	• average value 15 MPa (minimum value 8 MPa)
Non porosity (electric brush control)	• When measured with a voltage of 1 500 V, the internal surface of the pipe must be free from porosity
Resistance to reverse impact (opposite side)	Brush with no porosity following a 10 J impact
Roughness coefficient	< 0.01mm

The principal properties of Ductan lining inside Blutop pipe barrels in terms of resistance to ageing in water are given in the table below.

Durability – Resistance to thermal ageing in water	Defect criteria	Non-defect criteria
The durability of the Ductan internal anti-corrosion protection is measured in accordance with a water immersion test pursuant to regulation	• Length of blistering on both sides of scratch: requirement < 5mm	Di<2 and De<2 blistering pursuant to EN ISO 4628-2
EN ISO 2812-2-1995, at a temperature of 50°C. The material is exposed for 480 hours. An upside-down V is scratched (from an	• Extent of rust on both sides of scratch: requirement < 5mm	Rusting < Ri1 According to EN ISO 4628-3
acute angle) onto each sample measuring at least 1 mm wide and 50 mm long. Two sections are assessed.	_	Traction test inaccordance with to EN ISO 4624-2003 : requirement ≥ 6MPa.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS OF THE EPOXY COATING ON FITTINGS

The principal properties of the epoxy coating on Blutop fittings are given in the table below. They comply fully with the regulation EN 14901.

Performance tests	Criteria			
Non-porosity	No holidays at 1,500 V			
Resistance to impact	No holidays at 1,500 V after an impact of 5J			
Durability - Resistance to thermal ageing in water	Following the application of the test operating mode the average adhesion of the coating must be at least 6 MPa			
Resistance to indentation	The depth of the indent measured after 48 hours must not exceed 30% of the initial coating measurement. Any increase in indent depth noted between 24 and 48 hours must be less than that between 0 and 24 hours and must not exceed 5% of the initial coating thickness measured.			
Durability - Resistance to thermal ageing in water	Following the application of the test operating mode the coating must be porosity free.			

SCOPE OF USE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SOIL TYPES

Products included in the Blutop range may be laid in most types of soils, except the following:

- acidic peaty soils;
- soils containing refuse, orders, slag, or polluted by waste or industrial affluents;
- soil below the marine water table with a resitivity lower than 500 Ω cm.

In the case of the soil types listed above, and also in the event of stray currents, we recommend using products from the PAM TT Standard range

SCOPE OF USE IN ACCORDANCE WITH WATER CHARACTERISTICS

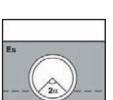
Products in the Blutop range may be used to carry all types of potable water in accordance with directive 98/83/EC.

Water characteristics	Unit	Blutop range
Minimum pH value	-	4
Maximum pH value	_	10
Minimum hardness	0	Unlimited
Maximum level of aggressive CO ₂	mg/l	Unlimited
Maximum sulphate level	mg/l	Unlimited
Maximum magnesium level	mg/l	Unlimited
Maximum ammonium level	mg/l	Unlimited

MAXIMUM COVER DEPTHS FOR BLUTOP PIPELINES

Various cases studies

Case	Pipe bed	Backfill	Compaction	Es*	2α mini
Case 1	Levelled trench bottom	Group 4, 3, 2 or 1	Non-compacted	< 3 bar	30°
Case 2	Levelled trench bottom	Group 3, 2 or 1	Controlled compaction	7 bar	30°
Case 3	Selected materials	Group 3, 2 or 1	Controlled compaction	10 bar	90°
Case 4	Selected materials	Group 1	Controlled compaction	20 bar	90°



(*) Es, backfill modulus of reaction.

Maximum cover depths for Blutop pipelines without traffic loads

Unit	Case 1 m	Case 2 m	Case 3 m	Case 4 m
90	22.2	23.2	37.1	45.5
110	9.3	15.8	25.4	32.1
125	7.3	8.0	20.2	26.2

Maximum cover depths for Blutop pipelines with traffic loads

DN/OD	Case 1 m	Case 2 m	Case 3 m	Case 4 m
90	22.2	23.2	37.1	45.4
110	9.2	15.7	25.4	32.1
125	7.1	7.8	20.2	26.2

QUALITY, STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATIONS

<Quality management

Saint-Gobain PAM's quality management system complies with ISO 9001 Standards. Compliance with this quality management system is certified by a third party.

Environmental management

The production sites for the pipes and fittings in the Blutop range hold the ISO 14001 Standard certification

European regulations

The following European regulations are applicable to the Blutop range:

- EN 805 General design of the Blutop range
- EN 681.1 Gaskets
- EN 12842 Blutop range fittings
- EN 14901 Epoxy coating applied to Blutop *fittings and accessories*

In addition, the terms and conditions of regulation EN 545 are also applicable to the Blutop range with the following exceptions:

- Standard diameters type DN/OD (applicable to regulation EN 805-2000)
- Standard pressure class: C25 (PFA 25 bar)
- Thermoplastic type internal lining

The performance tests to determine the product specifications of the Blutop range were carried out in accordance with EN 545 requirements.

National certifications

Due to its highly innovative nature, Blutop has not yet been certified on a European scale. In order to guarantee performance standards, the Blutop range is currently undergoing evaluation certification processes by competent and independent organisations in a number of countries. Several examples of these are listed below:

- France CSTB Technical evaluation currently in progress
- UK WRC Evaluation currently in progress
- Germany DIN experimental evaluation (PAS) currently under approval
- Belgium Belgaqua Certification currently in progress
- The Netherlands KIWA Certification currently in progress

Full details of the granting of these certifications are available on our website: www.blutop.co.uk <http://www.blutop.co.uk> or www.blutop.com <http://www.blutop.com>





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