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FSA Fall Meeting - Please join us!

The Fluid Sealing Association will be holding their fall meeting in New Orleans on October 6-8 at the Hotel Monteleone.

Interested in joining us to see what the FSA is all about?

Click **here** to get all the details on how to attend as a guest.

How to Avoid Compression Packing Failure

Compression packing has been around since the beginning of the industrial revolution and is still used extensively in types of equipment in which a stuffing box seal is required to prevent loss of process fluids to the environment. While advance sealing solutions for rotary applications, such as mechanical seals, emerged over time, compression remains an important industrial tool.

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Rubber Expansion Joints Provide Piping Flexibility

Rubber expansion joints are used in piping installations to compensate for thermal growth, relieve piping stress during operation, and reduce vibration and noise caused by rotating equipment. While a rubber expansion joint can compensate for pipeline misalignment, this compliant product has installation and operational limitations. The best method for installing most

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piping products, including rubber expansion joints, is to follow standardized piping practices and use an installation tolerance of less than 1/8 of an inch.

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What You Need to Know About FSA's 5 New Styles of Rubber Expansion Joints

The addition of five new styles of rubber expansion joints (REJs) within the Fluid Sealing Association (FSA) technical handbook has increased the opportunities for the selection and application of REJs. Similar styles can be found in the metal expansion joint standards of the Expansion Joint Manufacturers Association (EJMA), but these styles were not previously available within the REJ standards published by FSA. The previous standards focused primarily on unrestrained REJs installed in an anchored and well-guided piping system.

Click **here** to read more.

New FSA/ESA Gasket Handbook Offers Guidance for Equipment Usage & Troubleshooting

The Gasket Division of the Fluid Sealing Association (FSA) and the Flange Gasket Division of the European Sealing Association (ESA) have been jointly working on a complete revision to existing gasket handbooks and associated documents for the past three years. This project was led by a working group consisting of professionals representing six FSA Gasket Division members, the FSA technical director, and representatives from the ESA Flange Gasket Division Technical Committee, along with collaboration from nearly all FSA and ESA member companies. The handbook includes references to several third party publications. It has been a tremendous undertaking but one that has an enormous amount of content value for readers at every level.

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