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MARKING EXAMPLE

Based on the ATEX markings the product can be certified for suitability under certain conditions.

	II	2G	c	IIA T6	X
	II	2D	c	85°C	X
	Equipment group	Category	Protection type	Explosion group / temperature class / maximum surface temperature	Additional features

Equipment group	Approval type
I	approved for underground operation
II	approved for all other applications

Category	Approved for zone	Zone description
1G	0	Area in which an explosive atmosphere consisting of a mixture of air and flammable gases, vapors, or mists, is present continuously, frequently, or for long periods of time.
2G	1	Area in which the potential exists for an explosive mixture of air and flammable gases, vapors, or mists to occur.
3G	2	Area in which the potential for an explosive mixture of air and flammable gases, vapors, or mists to occur is unlikely and only for a brief duration.
1D	20	Area with the same conditions as zone 0, with powder or dust.
2D	21	Area with the same conditions as zone 1, with powder or dust.
3D	22	Area with the same conditions as zone 2, with powder or dust.

Protection type	Definition
c	Design safety level: ignition hazard is avoided by the product design.

Example classification by occurring gases, mists and vapors according to temperature class and explosion group

Explosion group / temperature class / maximum surface temperature	IIA	IIB (includes IIA)	IIC (includes IIA + IIB)
T1 / 450°C	acetone, ammonia, methane...	natural gas	hydrogen
T2 / 300°C	ethyl alcohol, butane, cyclohexane...	ethylene, ethylene oxide	ethyne (acetylene)
T3 / 200°C	gasoline, diesel fuel, fuel oil...	ethylene glycol, hydrogen sulfide	
T4 / 135°C	acetaldehyde	ethyl ether	
T5 / 100°C			
T6 / 85°C			carbon disulphide

Additional labeling	Definition
X	Special operating conditions
U	Product is only a component in a machine. Conformity therefore shall only be declared after installation.

ATEX BELLOWS COUPLINGS

CONSTRUCTION

Dimensions and materials of the standard models remain largely intact.

PERFORMANCE RATINGS

All permitted misalignment, speed, and torque ratings of the standard models must be reduced by 30%.

OPERATION

ATEX metal bellows couplings must only be operated inside a sealed housing. Both the input and output shafts must be monitored to guarantee shut down in the case of coupling failure.

With blind mate style bellows couplings it is also necessary to guarantee electrical continuity between both shafts. This is necessary due to the electrically isolating properties of the coupling, and the need to prevent sparking from any electrostatic charges.

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION



Type: BK2/60/EEEx - 2013
II 2G c T4
II 2D c 135°C
Ser.No.: 123456.7
Tech.Ref.No.:2003/003RW



Type: BK5/60/EEEx - 2013
II 2G c T4
II 2D c 135°C
Ser.No.: 123456.7
Tech.Ref.No.:2003/006RW

ATEX ELASTOMER COUPLINGS

CONSTRUCTION

Dimensions and materials of the standard models remain largely intact.

For ATEX elastomer couplings the inserts come in version "D" (Sh65D) which is electrically conductive to provide continuity for any potential electrostatic charges.

PERFORMANCE RATINGS

All permitted misalignment, speed, and torque ratings of the standard models must be reduced by 30%.

OPERATION

In the case of model TX thermoplastic hub elastomer couplings it is also necessary to guarantee electrical continuity between both shafts. This is necessary due to the electrically isolating properties of the coupling, and the need to prevent sparking from any electrostatic charges.

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION



Type: EK2/60/EEEx - 2013
II 2G c T4
II 2D c 135°C
Ser.No.: 123456.7
Tech.Ref.No.:2003/001RW



Type: TX1/60/EEEx - 2013
II 2G c IIA T6
II 2D c 85°C
Ser.No.: 123456.7
Tech.Ref.No.:2003/001RW



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ATEX SAFETY COUPLINGS

CONSTRUCTION

Dimensions and materials of the standard models remain largely intact.

Generally full disengagement style safety couplings are used in ATEX environments in order to avoid high temperatures from excess friction after disengagement.

For ES2 safety couplings the inserts come in version "D" (Sh65D) which is electrically conductive to provide continuity for any potential electrostatic charges.

PERFORMANCE RATINGS

All permitted misalignment and speed ratings of the standard models must be reduced by 30%.

OPERATION

ATEX safety couplings must be used with an ATEX proximity switch. The emergency stop function in conjunction with activation of the switch must be fully tested for proper function prior to commissioning of the machine.

When bellows couplings are incorporated they must only be operated inside a sealed housing. Both the input and output shafts must be monitored to guarantee shut down in the case of bellows failure.

With blind mate style bellows couplings it is also necessary to guarantee electrical continuity between both shafts. This is necessary due to the electrically isolating properties of the coupling, and the need to prevent sparking from any electrostatic charges.

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION



Type: SK2/60/EEEx - 2013
II 2G c T3
II 2D c 200°C
Ser.No.: 123456.7
Tech.Ref.No.:2003/004RW



Type: ES2/60/(F)EEEx - 2013
II 2G c T3
II 2D c 200°C
Ser.No.: 123456.7
Tech.Ref.No.:2003/002RW

ATEX LINE SHAFTS

CONSTRUCTION

Dimensions and materials of the standard models remain largely intact.

For EZ type line shafts the inserts come in version "D" (Sh65D) which is electrically conductive to provide continuity for any potential electrostatic charges.

PERFORMANCE RATINGS

All permitted misalignment, speed, and torque ratings of the standard models must be reduced by 30%.

The allowable operating speed depends on the overall length of the line shaft and is available upon request.

OPERATION

When bellows couplings are incorporated they must only be operated inside a sealed housing. Both the input and output shafts must be monitored to guarantee shut down in the case of bellows failure.

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION



Type: EZ2/60/D/EEEx - 2013
II 2G c T4
II 2D c 135°C
Ser.No.: 123456.7
Tech.Ref.No.:2003/005RW



Type: ZA/10/EEEx - 2013
II 2G c T4
II 2D c 135°C
Ser.No.: 123456.7
Tech.Ref.No.:2005/007RW

ATEX DISC PACK COUPLINGS

CONSTRUCTION

Dimensions and materials of the standard models remain largely intact.

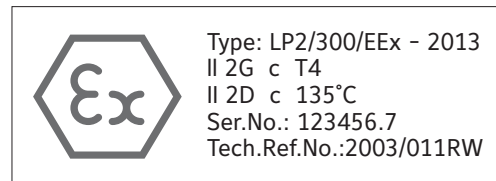
PERFORMANCE RATINGS

All permitted misalignment, speed, and torque ratings of the standard models must be reduced by 30%.

OPERATION

Both the input and output shafts must be monitored to guarantee shut down in the case of disc pack failure.

SAMPLE IDENTIFICATION



Prior to deviating from any of the previous safety instructions please contact R+W.

The use of devices and components in explosive areas is governed by the European directives 94/9/EC (for manufacturers) and 1992/92/EC (for operators). The presented products are non-electrical equipment of category 2. All necessary documents and certifications are stored in a known location. The conformity of these products with these guidelines is established and may be declared by the manufacturer.

According to Directive 94/9/EC, delivery of an ATEX coupling requires the inclusion of special installation and operating instructions along with the EC declaration of conformity issued by the manufacturer. All necessary values for installation, operation and removal are included.

All statements made about ATEX conforming products are based on our present knowledge and experience. R+W reserves the right to change technical specifications.