

ROTARY (R.E.) UNIONS



The Rotary (R.E.) Union is a self contained, self supporting rotary seal for the leak proof transfer of fluids (such as steam, water, air or oil) to and from rotating machine shafts.

The type of Rotary Seal fitted to the Rotary (R.E.) Union is a "FILTON BELLOWS SEAL" containing a flexible stainless steel bellows which is self adjusting, eliminating the maintenance common with conventional packed glands. Rotary sealing is created by relative rotation between extremely flat sealing faces (items 2 and 4) held in contact by the spring characteristic of the bellows with an additional sealing force created by pressure of the fluid passing through the Rotary (R.E.) Union. The bearings fitted to the Rotary (R.E.) Union are standard ball bearings which are given their initial lubrication before despatch.

There are 3 variations of the stationary Adaptor end, diagrams on page 5 and described below:-

TYPE R.E./B.E.

This Rotary (R.E.) Union is a single flow unit and is suitable for transferring fluid in to or out of rotating machines. A typical application for this type is shown in page 3.

TYPE R.E./S.T.

This Rotary (R.E.) Union is fitted with an Adaptor suitable for double flow with a stationary centre tube. This gives flow areas through the centre tube and annulus. Centre tubes are only provided if ordered. The centre tube is fixed to the Rotary (R.E.) Union end by means of a screw thread shown as dimension 'O'. Flow can pass in through the centre tube and return through the annulus or be reversed. For steam applications, a typical example of which is shown on page 3, the centre tube is curved to reach the condensate in the bottom of the cylinder. At times the roll neck diameter to length ratio prevents a curved tube being used, in such cases we can provide a Syphon Elbow details of which are on page 20.

TYPE R.E./R.S.

The Adaptor fitted to this Rotary (R.E.) Union is suitable for a rotating centre tube, which must be located and driven by the machine. Centre tubes are only provided if ordered. For the type R.E./R.S. the centre tube rotates in a bush. The centre tube "sealing" system allows a slight internal leakage between the supply and return lines. If these fluids must not mix then an alternative design can be provided, please ask our Technical Department. Flow can pass in through the centre tube with the return through the annulus or be reversed. A typical application is shown on page 3.

ELOW CARACITY

Operational Guidelines (For other conditions contact Filton Limited)

FLUIDS

Water, steam, mineral oils, heat transfer fluids and compressed air (lubricated).								
All fluids should be clean and free from abrasive particles.	Nominal	Туре	Water*		Steam†	Air★		
PRESSURE	Size		m'/h	l/min	kg/h	m³/h		
17 bar maximum.		(R E	0.2	5	11	11		
VACUUM	8 (¹ / ₄ ")	{ S.T. & R.S.	0.05	0.8	3.4	2		
740 mm Hg. maximum (specify vacuum and we will test for this).	10 (3/ ")	∫ B.E.	0.8	13.3	31	29		
TEMPERATURE	10 (1/8)	ໂS.T. & R.S	0.1	1.7	16	4		
-20° to 180°C (with suitable effective lubrication 200°C).	15 (1/-")	∫ B.E.	1.7	28.3	61	58		
	10 (72)	l S.T. & R.S.	0.3	5	27	10		
SPEED	20(3/.")	∫ B.E.	2.7	45	101	96		
1000 r.p.m. maximum up to $25(1)$ r.p.m. and 800 r.p.m. above.	20(74)	l S.T.& R.S	0.6	10	41	22		
* Flow in cubic metres/hour at a velocity of 3 metres/second. Applies also to	25 (1")	∫ B.E.	4.1	68.3	151	144		
other liquids	20(1)	l S.T.& R.S.	1.8	30	56	44		
	32 (11/ ")	∫ B.E.	7.6	127	280	267		
T Flow in kilograms/hour at a velocity of 30 metres/second and a pressure of 6 bar.	$52(17_4)$	l S.T. & R.S.	2.1	35	133	74		
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★ Flow in cubic metres/hour free air at a velocity of 15 metres/second and a pressure bar of 6 bar.

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For single flow type R.E./B.E.

Nominal Size	Part No.	
8 (1/ ₄ ")	14642	R or L
10 (³ / ₈ ")	14636	R or L
15(1/2")	14536	R or L
20 (3/4")	14460	R or L
25 (1")	14396	R or L
32 (1 ¹ / ₄ ")	14377	R or L



FILTON

For double flow (stationary centre tube) type R.E./S.T.

Nominal Size	Part No.	
8 (1/4")	14643M	R or L
10 (^{3/} ₈ ")	14637M	R or L
15(1/2")	14535	R or L
20 (3/4")	14534	R or L
25 (1")	14542	R or L
32 (11/4")	14379	R or L



For double flow (rotary centre tube) type R.E /R.S.

Nominal Size	Part No.	
8 (¹ / ₄ ") 10 (³ / ₈ ")	17196 17197	R or L R or L
$15 ('/_2")$ 20 (³ / ₄ ") 25 (1")	16657 16659 16661	R or L R or L
$32(1^{1}/_{4})$	16663	R or L



Dimensions in millimetres

	Α					G								
Nominal	B & N	С	D	Е	F	&	н	1	0	Q	S	т	V	W
Size						Р								
8 (1/4")	G. ¹ / ₄ "	6	117	94	22	11	30	57	M5 x 0.8	6	4.75/ 4.72	25	24	44
10 (³ / ₈ ")	G. ³ /8"	10	121	97	25	13	30	57	M6 x 1.0	6	6.35/ 6.32	25	24	44
15 (¹ / ₂ ")	G.1/2"	13	167	130	29	16	44	83	G.1/ ₈ "	6	9.52/ 9.50	40	38	63
20 (³ / ₄ ")	G. ³ / ₄ "	18	173	133	32	19	44	83	G. ¹ / ₄ "	10	12.70/ 12.67	40	38	63
25 (1")	G.1"	22	197	149	48	22	54	105	G. ³ / ₈ "	10	15.87/ 15.85	45	43	83
32 (1 ¹ / ₄ ")	G.1 ¹ / ₄ "	30	227	170	51	25	70	121	G.1/2"	13	19.05/ 19.02	50	55	95

'G' is the designation for parallel pipe threads to BS.2779 and ISO 228/1

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