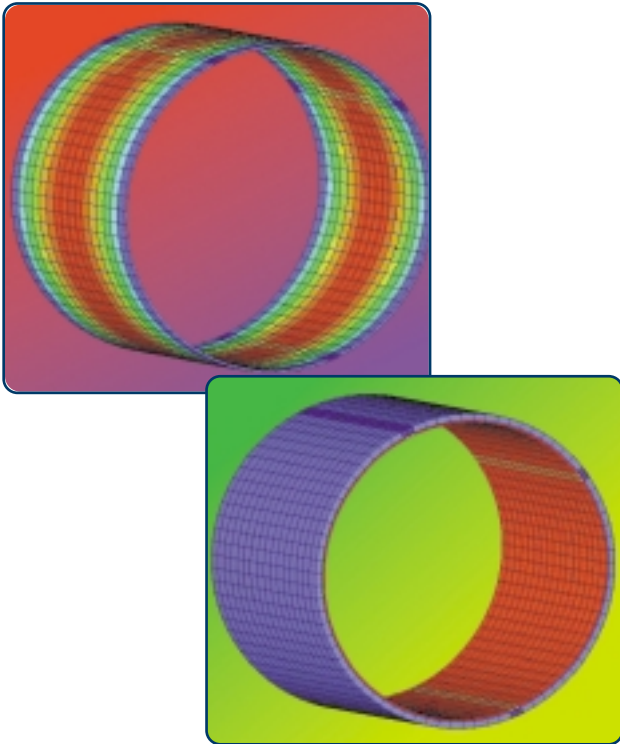


**Design Engineering
Application Solutions**



Design Engineering Finite Element Analysis



The Ecoflex technical team have developed a series of design guides and predictive modelling tools to provide engineered solutions for each application.

Finite Element Analysis (FEA) modelling is used to simulate the performance of Ecoflex 200 as a catalyst substrate support system.

FEA is technically the most cost effective method for determining support mat performance. This method takes into account the intrinsic variability of manufactured substrates, differing canned gap thickness and can be used for predicting skin temperatures, push out forces, pressure on substrates and inner can surface pressures.

Ecoflex Design Engineering Calculations enable the initial selection of nominal gap or gap bulk density based on the thermo-mechanical needs of catalytic converter operation.

The tool calculates the minimum and maximum holding force required to retain the substrate in the application taking into account G-forces, gas temperatures, external shell target temperatures and expansion effects.

These calculations enable Saffil Automotive to provide the optimum product solution based on both theoretical calculations and on accelerated lifetime testing. This approach is taken for each customer enquiry giving a tailored proposal.

These calculations are important in identifying the performance window between the isostatic strength of thin and ultra thin wall substrates and the holding forces required, especially in close coupled applications.

Design Engineering Calculations

Ecoflex™		Substrate Support System			
Design Engineering Calculations					
Substrate Dimensions					
Substrate Diameter	mm	101.6	Minimum Mat pressure required	kg/cm ²	0.55
Substrate Length	mm	101.6			
Substrate Weight (inc. Washcoat)	g	530	Safety factor for minimum Mat pressure	%	20
Nominal Gap	mm	3.5			
Application Parameters					
Acceleration/Vibration	G	60	Minimum design Mat pressure	kg/cm ²	0.65
Maximum Pressure Drop	kg/cm ²	0.15	Long term pressure retention due to gap expansion and aging	%	50
Inlet Gas Temp (inc. Exotherms)	°C	900			
Shell Temperature	°C	400			
Optional Parameters					
Overlap Substrate/Mat	mm	4	Minimum Initial holding pressure	kg/cm ²	1.31
Static Friction Coefficient	μ	0.25	Gap expansion due to temperature	mm	0.39
Substrate CTE	1.00E-06	1.20		%	11.08
Steel Shell CTE	1.00E-06	12.00			

Soft Canning Expertise

The Ecoflex Product Specification Tool helps to calculate gaps, basis weights, initial pressure performance and holding force data for Ecoflex products when with and without binder materials. This data can be generated for ambient and high temperature conditions. A statistical model shows the probability of each individual case when taking into account the stacked up tolerances of each individual component.

The required Gap Bulk Density (GBD) is calculated based on accumulated tolerances of the main parameters (outer diameter of substrate, inner diameter of steel shell, basis weight of Ecoflex wrap).

Ecoflex Product Specification Tool

Saffil Ecoflex™ 200																															
Project Data Overview																															
OD of substrate	101.6 mm	+/- 1.8 mm		3																					Date						
ID of steel shell	109.6 mm	+/- 0.2 mm		3																					Customer						
FBW of Ecoflex	1450 gsm	+/- 8 %		3																					OEM						
BBW of Ecoflex	1595 gsm	(10% organics)		Sigma																					Project						
Gas Temp (°C)	950	CTE of ceramic substrate				1.2 *10e - 6																				Calculated by					
Shell Temp (°C)	460	CTE of steel shell				12 *10e - 6																				Notice					
COLD																															
Sub. OD (mm)	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U										
Shell ID (mm)	109.8	109.8	109.8	109.7	109.7	109.7	109.7	109.7	109.6	101.2	101.4	101.6	102.0	102.1	102.3	102.3	102.7	102.9	103.0	103.2	103.4	103.4									
Gap (mm)	5.00	4.90	4.80	4.70	4.60	4.50	4.40	4.30	4.20	4.10	4.00	3.90	3.80	3.70	3.60	3.50	3.40	3.30	3.20	3.10	3.00										
FBW (gsm)	1334	1346	1357	1369	1380	1392	1404	1415	1427	1438	1450	1462	1473	1485	1496	1508	1520	1531	1543	1554	1566										
BBW (gsm)	1467	1480	1493	1506	1518	1531	1544	1557	1569	1582	1595	1608	1621	1633	1646	1659	1672	1684	1697	1710	1723										
FGBD (g/cc)	0.27	0.27	0.28	0.29	0.30	0.31	0.32	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.39	0.40	0.43	0.44	0.45	0.46	0.48	0.50	0.52										
BGBD (g/cc)	0.29	0.30	0.31	0.32	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.39	0.40	0.41	0.43	0.44	0.46	0.47	0.49	0.51	0.53	0.55	0.57										
FP (kg/cm²)	0.89	1.03	1.16	1.29	1.43	1.43	1.60	1.77	1.94	2.25	2.48	2.68	2.88	3.28	3.59	4.21	4.52	5.11	5.68	6.24	6.93										
CP (kp/cm²)	1.51	1.68	1.89	2.11	2.32	2.54	2.75	2.94	3.12	3.31	3.49	3.99	4.29	4.90	5.21	5.83	6.45	7.11	7.80	8.49	9.22										
HOT																															
Sub. OD (mm)	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U										
Shell ID (mm)	110.4	110.4	110.3	110.3	110.8	110.3	110.3	110.2	110.2	101.2	101.5	101.7	102.1	102.3	102.4	102.6	102.8	103.0	103.2	103.3	103.5										
Gap (mm)	5.23	5.13	5.03	4.93	4.83	4.73	4.63	4.53	4.43	4.33	4.23	4.13	4.03	3.93	3.83	3.73	3.63	3.53	3.43	3.33	3.23										
FBW (gsm)	1334	1346	1357	1369	1380	1392	1404	1415	1427	1438	1450	1462	1473	1485	1496	1508	1520	1531	1543	1554	1566										
BBW (gsm)	1467	1480	1493	1506	1518	1531	1544	1557	1569	1582	1595	1608	1621	1633	1646	1659	1672	1684	1697	1710	1723										
FGBD (g/cc)	0.25	0.26	0.27	0.28	0.27	0.29	0.30	0.31	0.32	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.37	0.38	0.39	0.40	0.42	0.43	0.45	0.47	0.48										
BGBD (g/cc)	0.28	0.29	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.32	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.37	0.38	0.39	0.40	0.42	0.43	0.44	0.46	0.48	0.49	0.51	0.53										
FP (kg/cm²)	0.76	0.89	0.89	1.03	1.16	1.29	1.43	1.60	1.77	1.94	2.11	2.28	2.48	2.68	3.08	3.28	3.59	4.21	4.52	5.11	5.68										
CP (kp/cm²)	1.34	1.34	1.51	1.68	1.89	2.11	2.32	2.54	2.75	2.94	3.12	3.31	3.68	3.99	4.29	4.90	5.52	5.83	6.45	7.11	7.80										
DISTRIBUTION per Million Parts																															
	0	4	37	278	1,607	7,093	23,906	61,507	120,802	181,118	207,296	181,118	120,802	61,507	23,906	7,093	1,607	278	37	4	0										

Canning Calibration Tool

The Ecoflex Canning Calibration Tool

The Ecoflex Canning Calibration Tool is the ideal tool for non-calibrated systems or any system which uses calibration by selection. It may be used for risk analyses and help to design the application before going into actual laboratory testing. The statistical distribution of each outcome can be displayed.

Saffil Ecoflex™ 200																														
Initial Pressure Performance - Data Overview for Calibration by Selection																														
Substrate OD Tolerances	+/- 2 mm		6 Sigma																					Volume	1 000 000					
Actual OD of Sub	100.0 mm	Min	98.0 mm	Max	102.0 mm																				Date					
Calibrated Sub ODs	99.00 mm	Min	98.0 mm	Max	100.0 mm																				Customer					
Steel Shell ID Tolerances	+/- 0.2 mm		6 Sigma																					OEM						
Actual ID of Shell	108.0 mm	Min	107.8 mm	Max	108.2 mm																				Project					
Calibrated Shell IDs	107.90 mm	Min	107.8 mm	Max	108.0 mm																				Calculated by					
Ecoflex FBW Tolerances	+/- 8 %		6 Sigma																					Notice						
Actual FBW	1800 gsm	Min	1620 gsm	Max	1980 gsm																				Ecoflex™					
Calibrated FBW	1700 00 gsm	Min	1600 gsm	Max	1800 gsm																									
Gas Temp (°C)	950	CTE of ceramic substrate				1.2 *10e - 6																								
Shell Temp (°C)	460	CTE of steel shell				12 *10e - 6																								
COLD																														
Sub. OD (mm)	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U									
Shell ID (mm)	108.00	107.99	107.98	107.97	107.96	107.95	107.94	107.93	107.92	107.91	107.90	107.89	107.88	107.87	107.86	107.85	107.84	107.83	107.82	107.81	107.80									
Gap (mm)	5.00	4.95	4.89	4.84	4.78	4.73	4.67	4.62	4.56	4.51	4.45	4.40	4.34	4.29	4.23	4.18	4.12	4.07	4.01	3.96	3.90									
FBW (gsm)	1600	1610	1620	1630	1640	1650	1660	1670	1680	1690	1700	1710	1720	1730	1740	1750	1760	1770	1780	1790	1800									
BBW (gsm)	1760	1771	1782	1793	1804	1815	1826	1837	1848	1859	1870	1881	1892	1903	1914	1925	1936	1947	1958	1969	1980									
FGBD (g/cc)	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.39	0.40	0.41	0.42	0.43	0.44	0.44	0.45	0.46	0.46									
BGBD (g/cc)	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.39	0.40	0.41	0.41	0.42	0.43	0.44	0.44	0.45	0.46	0.47	0.48	0.49	0.50	0.51									
FP (kg/cm²)	1.77	1.77	1.94	1.94	2.11	2.11	2.28	2.48	2.48	2.68	2.88	2.88	3.28	3.28	3.59	3.59	3.90	4.21	4.52	4.83	5.11									
CP (kp/cm²)	2.75	2.75	2.94	3.12	3.12	3.31	3.49	3.49	3.49	3.99	4.29	4.29	4.60	4.90	5.21	5.52	5.52	5.83	6.14	6.45	6.76									
DISTRIBUTION																														
	Parts per category based on the volume of calibrated substrates																				500,000									
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	26	247	1,673	7,954	26,560	62,270	102,510	118,489	96,165	54,801	21,927	6,160	1,215									

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