

Design Guide

Dynaform® Fiberglass Structural Shapes

Corrosion Resistant

Fire Retardant

Low Maintenance

Light Weight

Long Service Life

Fibergrate

Composite Structures

High Performance Composite Solutions

Coupon Properties - Structural Shapes

The values listed below are test results from coupon tests performed in accordance with the noted ASTM Test.

MECHANICAL PROPERTIES	ASTM	UNITS	VALUE
Tensile Stress, LW	D-638	psi	30,000
Tensile Stress, CW	D-638	psi	7,000
Tensile Modulus, LW	D-638	10 ⁶ psi	2.5
Tensile Modulus, CW	D-638	10 ⁶ psi	0.8
Compressive Stress, LW	D-695	psi	30,000
Compressive Stress, CW	D-695	psi	15,000
Compressive Modulus, LW	D-695	10 ⁶ psi	2.5
Compressive Modulus, CW	D-695	10 ⁶ psi	1.0
Flexural Stress, LW	D-790	psi	30,000
Flexural Stress, CW	D-790	psi	10,000
Flexural Modulus, LW	D-790	10 ⁶ psi	1.8
Flexural Modulus, CW	D-790	10 ⁶ psi	0.8
Modulus of Elasticity, E	Full Section	10 ⁶ psi	2.8
Shear Modulus	---	10 ⁶ psi	0.450
Short Beam Shear	D-2344	psi	4,500
Punch Shear	D-732	psi	10,000
Bearing Stress, LW	D-953	psi	30,000
Notched Izod Impact, LW	D-256	ft-lbs/in	25
Notched Izod Impact, CW	D-256	ft-lbs/in	4

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES	ASTM	UNITS	VALUE
Barcol Hardness	D-2583	---	45
24 Hour Water Absorption	D-570	% max	0.45
Density	D-792	lbs/in ³	.062-.070
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion, LW	D-696	10 ⁻⁶ in/in/°C	8

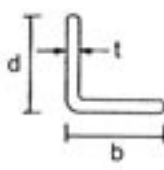
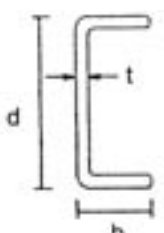
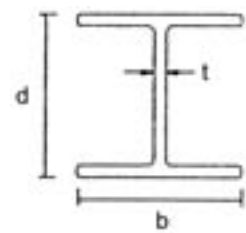
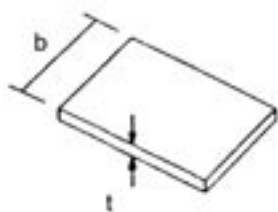
ELECTRICAL PROPERTIES	ASTM	UNITS	VALUE
Arc Resistance, LW	D-495	seconds	120
Dielectric Strength, LW	D-149	kv/in	35
Dielectric Strength, PF	D-149	volts/mil	200
Dielectric Constant, PF	D-150	@60hz	5

ISOFR and VEFR Fire Retardant Structural Profiles:

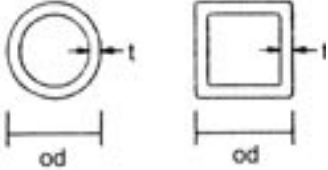

FLAMMABILITY PROPERTIES	ASTM	UNITS	VALUE
Tunnel Test	E-84	Flame Spread	25 max
Flammability	D-635	---	Nonburning

LW = Lengthwise CW = Crosswise PF = Perpendicular to Laminate Face

Cross Sectional Tolerances



SHAPE	DIMENSION	TOLERANCE	MAXIMUM OR MINIMUM TOLERANCES
ANGLES 	t = thickness	$\pm 10\%$	± 0.010 " minimum
	b = flange width	$\pm 5\%$	± 0.094 " maximum
	d = depth	$\pm 5\%$	± 0.094 " maximum
CHANNELS 	t = thickness	$\pm 10\%$	± 0.010 " minimum
	b = flange width	$\pm 5\%$	± 0.094 " maximum
	d = depth	$\pm 5\%$	± 0.094 " maximum
WIDE FLANGE, I SHAPES 	t = thickness	$\pm 10\%$	± 0.010 " minimum
	b = flange width	$\pm 5\%$	± 0.094 " maximum
	d = depth	$\pm 5\%$	± 0.094 " maximum
FLAT SHEET 	t = thickness	$\pm 10\%$	± 0.040 " maximum
	b = width	$\pm 3\%$	± 0.094 " maximum

Cross Sectional Tolerances

SHAPE	DIMENSION	OUTSIDE DIMENSION CONDITION	TOLERANCES
ROUND & SQUARE TUBE 	t = thickness	Under 1"	± 20%
		1" and up	± 15 %
	od = outside dimension	Under 2"	± 0.020"
		2" and up	± 0.040"
ROUND ROD & SQUARE BAR 	od = outside dimension	Up to 3"	± 0.010"

FLATNESS

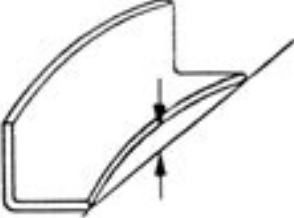
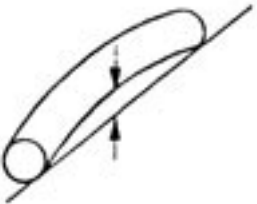

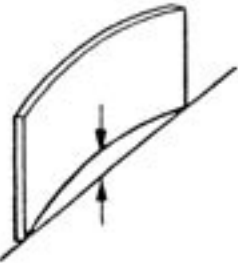
Flatness is measured in the center with the weight of the profile minimizing the deviation by contact with a flat surface.

STRUCTURAL SHAPES RODS, BARS, & SHEET 	Allowable deviation from flat		
	Width	All Thicknesses	
	Up to 1"	0.008"	
	Over 1"	0.008"/inch	
HOLLOW SHAPES 	Allowable deviation from flat		
	Width	Thickness 0.125" to 0.188"	Thickness 0.189" and over
	Up to 1"	0.012"	0.008"
	Over 1"	0.012"/inch	0.008"/inch

Cross Sectional Tolerances

STRAIGHTNESS

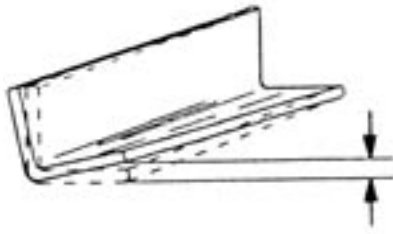
Straightness is measured in the center with the weight of the pultrusion minimizing the deviation by contact with a flat surface.

<p>ANGLE, BEAM AND CHANNEL</p> 	<p>Allowable deviation from straight</p>	
	<p>All widths</p>	<p>0.050"/foot</p>
<p>RODS AND BARS</p> 	<p>Allowable deviation from straight</p>	
	<p>Diameter/Depth</p>	<p>Per Foot</p>
	<p>Up to 1"</p>	<p>0.020"</p>
	<p>Over 1"</p>	<p>0.040"</p>
<p>ROUND, SQUARE, AND RECTANGULAR TUBE</p> 	<p>Allowable deviation from straight</p>	
	<p>Diameter/Depth</p>	<p>Per Foot</p>
	<p>Up to 2"</p>	<p>0.020"</p>
	<p>Over 2"</p>	<p>0.030"</p>
<p>SHEET AND PLATE</p> 	<p>Allowable deviation from straight</p>	
	<p>All thicknesses and widths</p>	<p>0.025"/foot</p>

Cross Sectional Tolerances

TWIST

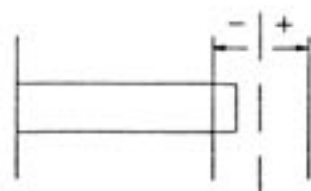
Twist is measured with the weight of the pultrusion minimizing the twist.

	Allowable twist		
	Width/Depth	Per Foot	Per Piece Max
	Up to 1.499"	$\tan 1^\circ \times \text{width}$	$\tan 7^\circ \times \text{width}$
	1.500" to 2.999"	$\tan 1/2^\circ \times \text{width}$	$\tan 5^\circ \times \text{width}$
	3.000" and over	$\tan 1/3^\circ \times \text{width}$	$\tan 3^\circ \times \text{width}$

ANGULARITY

ALL PROFILES	Allowable deviation from specific angle	
	thickness up to 3/4"	$\tan 1\ 1/2^\circ \times \text{width of flange in inches}$

CUT LENGTHS

	Allowable deviation from specific length	
	Up to 20'	-0", + 1/2"
	Over 20' to 50'	-0", + 1"

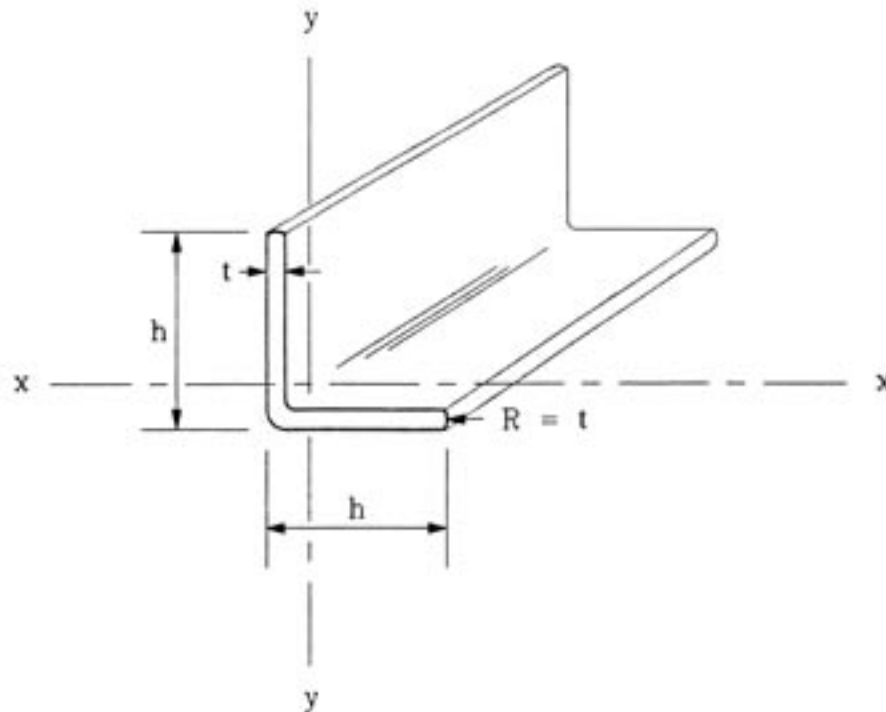
SQUARENESS OF ENDCUT

ALL PROFILES	Allowable deviation from square	
	All thicknesses	$\tan 1^\circ \times \text{width in inches}$

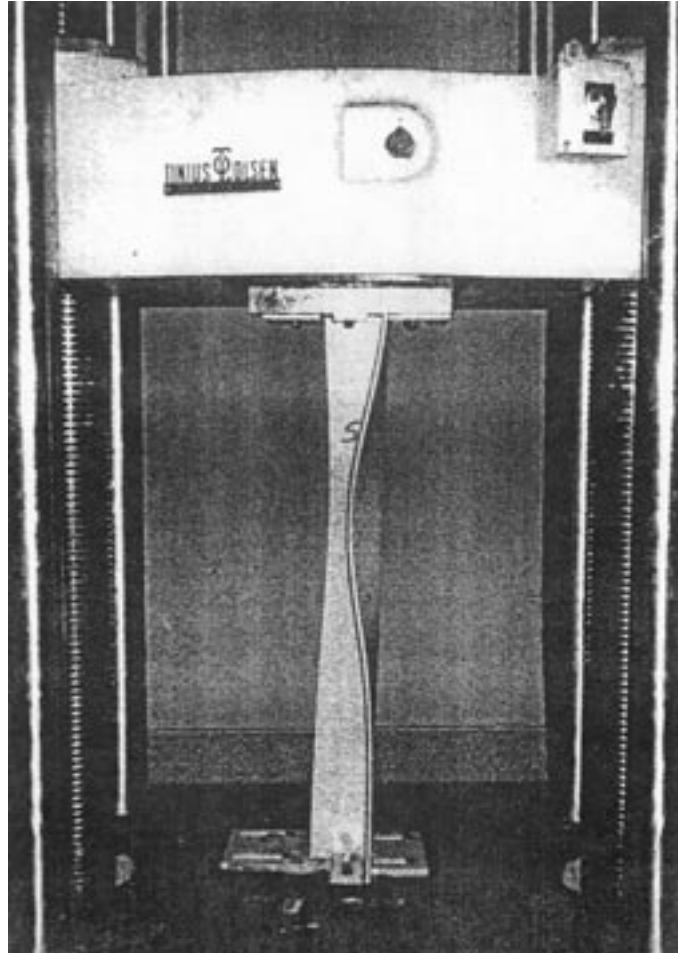
Section Properties

EQUAL LEG ANGLES

SECTION DIMENSIONS				SECTION PROPERTIES			
DEPTH	WALL			X - X / Y - Y			
h	t	A	Wt.	I	S	r	x/y
in.	in.	in. ²	lb./ft.	in. ⁴	in. ³	in.	in.
1.00	0.125	0.23	0.18	0.02	0.05	0.31	0.29
1.25	0.125	0.29	0.22	0.04	0.05	0.38	0.36
1.50	0.187	0.52	0.40	0.11	0.10	0.46	0.44
1.50	0.250	0.67	0.54	0.14	0.13	0.45	0.47
2.00	0.250	0.92	0.70	0.33	0.23	0.59	0.59
3.00	0.250	1.42	1.08	1.24	0.58	0.93	0.84
3.00	0.375	2.09	1.61	1.76	0.83	0.91	0.89
3.00	0.500	2.70	2.11	2.22	1.07	0.91	0.93
4.00	0.250	1.92	1.45	3.04	1.04	1.26	1.09
4.00	0.375	2.84	2.18	4.35	1.52	1.24	1.14
4.00	0.500	3.70	2.89	5.56	1.97	1.23	1.18
6.00	0.500	5.70	4.45	19.91	4.60	1.87	1.68



Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables



8' long - 6" x 6" x 1/2" Angle

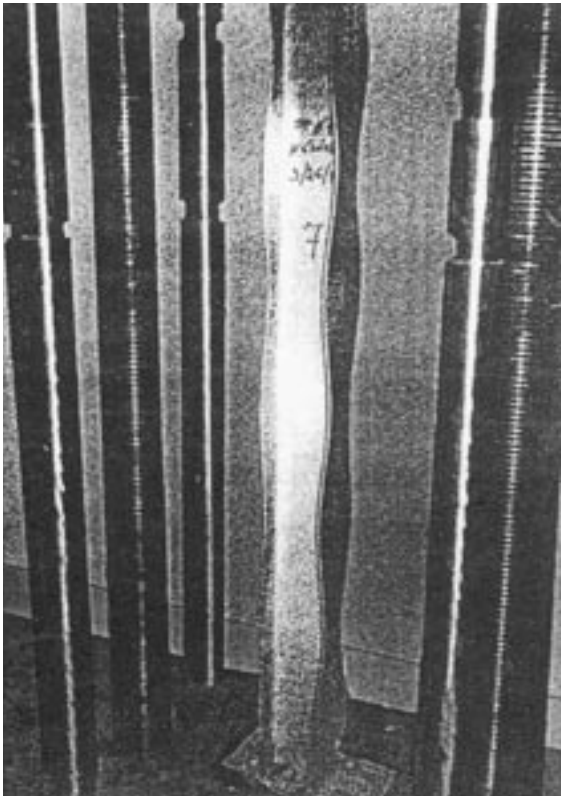
Full section column testing was conducted on equal leg angles, I and Wide Flange Shapes and Square Tubes. Ultimate values were generated through testing of elements with square cut ends placed between the table and the upper, moving platen of a universal testing machine. This test procedure closely simulates how FRP columns will generally be used in practice.

Comparison of test data versus theoretical Euler buckling capacity suggests that the "K" value as tested is approximately 0.70, representing a fixed-pinned condition. The values in the tables represent a FS = 3.0 for the tested condition. Should you feel, however, that your column end conditions closely approximate a pinned-pinned condition ("rounded" column ends are somewhat difficult to achieve in practice) we recommend you multiply the allowable values shown in the tables by the following values:

SHAPE	To Obtain FS = 2.0 multiply by:	To Obtain FS = 3.0 multiply by:
I, W or Angle	0.75	0.50
Square Tube	0.50	0.33

Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables

Allowable Concentric Axial Stresses and Loads



NOTATION

A	area (in ²)
b	width of flange/leg/wall (in)
t	thickness of flange (in)
r	minimum radius gyration (in)
l	length (in)
K	effective column length factor
F_a	allowable column concentric axial stress (psi)
P_a	allowable column centric axial load (lbs)

8' long - 6" x 3/8" WIDE FLANGE SHAPE



ANGLE

Maximum allowable stress:

b/t [8	4,862 psi
b/t = 10.7	4,194 psi
b/t = 12	3,620 psi
b/t = 16	2,758 psi



SQUARE TUBE (1/4" wall)

Maximum allowable stress:

b/t [10	10,000 psi
b/t = 12	8,880 psi
b/t = 16	6,595 psi



WIDE FLANGE & I SHAPES

Maximum allowable stress:

b/t [12	10,000 psi	
b/t = 13.3	8,747 psi	
t = 1/4"	b/t = 16	7,208 psi
t > 1/4"	b/t = 16	6,233 psi
	b/t = 20	4,920 psi
	b/t = 21.3	4,483 psi
t = 1/4"	b/t = 24	4,167 psi
t > 1/4"	b/t = 24	3,608 psi
	b/t = 26.7	2,732 psi

Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables

2 x 2 x 1/4 ANGLE

Allowable Concentric Axial Stresses and Loads

$A = 0.92 \text{ in.}^2$ $r = 0.38 \text{ in.}$ $b/t = 8$

True Length (ft)	F_a (psi)	P_a (lbs)
0.5	4,862	4,473
1.0	2,807	2,582
1.5	2,077	1,911
2.0	1,684	1,549
2.5	1,416	1,303
3.0	1,211	1,114
3.5	1,079	993
4.0	988	909
4.5	891	820
5.0	833	766
5.5	752	692
6.0	667	614

The effective "K" value is 0.70.

See page 52 for additional information.



Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables

3 x 3 x 1/4 ANGLE

Allowable Concentric Axial Stresses and Loads

$A = 1.42 \text{ in.}^2$ $r = 0.90 \text{ in.}$ $b/t = 12$

True Length (ft)	F_a (psi)	P_a (lbs)
0.5	3,620	5,140
1.0	3,620	5,140
1.5	2,933	4,165
2.0	2,277	3,233
2.5	1,968	2,795
3.0	1,736	2,465
3.5	1,538	2,184
4.0	1,391	1,975
4.5	1,249	1,774
5.0	1,146	1,627
5.5	1,070	1,519
6.0	1,010	1,434
6.5	952	1,352
7.0	889	1,262
7.5	849	1,206
8.0	815	1,157
8.5	757	1,075
9.0	708	1,005
9.5	665	944

The effective "K" value is 0.70.

See page 52 for additional information.



Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables

3 x 3 x 3/8 ANGLE

Allowable Concentric Axial Stresses and Loads

$A = 2.09 \text{ in.}^2$ $r = 0.59 \text{ in.}$ $b/t = 8$

True Length (ft)	F_a (psi)	P_a (lbs)
0.5	4,862	10,162
1.0	4,862	10,162
1.5	2,933	6,130
2.0	2,277	4,759
2.5	1,968	4,113
3.0	1,736	3,628
3.5	1,538	3,214
4.0	1,391	2,907
4.5	1,249	2,610
5.0	1,146	2,395
5.5	1,070	2,236
6.0	1,010	2,111
6.5	952	1,990
7.0	889	1,858
7.5	849	1,774
8.0	815	1,703
8.5	757	1,582
9.0	708	1,480
9.5	665	1,390

The effective "K" value is 0.70.

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Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables

3 x 3 x 1/2 ANGLE

Allowable Concentric Axial Stresses and Loads

A = 2.70 in.² r = 0.59 in. b/t = 6

True Length (ft)	F _a (psi)	P _a (lbs)
0.5	4,862	13,127
1.0	4,862	13,127
1.5	2,933	7,919
2.0	2,277	6,148
2.5	1,968	5,314
3.0	1,736	4,687
3.5	1,538	4,153
4.0	1,391	3,756
4.5	1,249	3,372
5.0	1,146	3,094
5.5	1,070	2,889
6.0	1,010	2,727
6.5	952	2,570
7.0	889	2,400
7.5	849	2,292
8.0	815	2,201
8.5	757	2,044
9.0	708	1,912
9.5	665	1,796

The effective "K" value is 0.70.

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Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables

4 x 4 x 1/4 ANGLE

Allowable Concentric Axial Stresses and Loads

A = 1.92 in.² r = 0.80 in. b/t = 16

True Length (ft)	F _a (psi)	P _a (lbs)
0.5	2,758	5,295
1.0	2,758	5,295
1.5	2,758	5,295
2.0	2,758	5,295
2.5	2,393	4,595
3.0	2,133	4,095
3.5	1,914	3,675
4.0	1,760	3,379
4.5	1,603	3,078
5.0	1,482	2,845
5.5	1,379	2,648
6.0	1,283	2,463
6.5	1,187	2,279
7.0	1,123	2,156
7.5	1,064	2,043
8.0	1,020	1,958
8.5	980	1,882
9.0	933	1,791
9.5	889	1,707
10.0	860	1,651
10.5	834	1,601
11.0	802	1,540
11.5	759	1,457
12.0	727	1,396
12.5	693	1,331
13.0	660	1,267

The effective "K" value is 0.70.

See page 52 for additional information.



Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables

4 x 4 x 3/8 ANGLE

Allowable Concentric Axial Stresses and Loads

A = 2.84 in.² r = 0.79 in. b/t = 10.7

True Length (ft)	F _a (psi)	P _a (lbs)
0.5	4,194	11,911
1.0	4,194	11,911
1.5	4,194	11,911
2.0	2,947	8,369
2.5	2,367	6,722
3.0	2,113	6,001
3.5	1,896	5,385
4.0	1,741	4,944
4.5	1,586	4,504
5.0	1,461	4,149
5.5	1,364	3,874
6.0	1,260	3,578
6.5	1,177	3,343
7.0	1,113	3,161
7.5	1,048	2,976
8.0	1,012	2,874
8.5	969	2,752
9.0	922	2,618
9.5	878	2,494
10.0	853	2,423
10.5	828	2,352
11.0	791	2,246
11.5	745	2,116
12.0	712	2,022
12.5	680	1,931
13.0	652	1,852

The effective "K" value is 0.70.

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Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables

6 x 6 x 3/8 ANGLE

Allowable Concentric Axial Stresses and Loads

A = 4.33 in.² r = 1.14 in. b/t = 16

True Length (ft)	F _a (psi)	P _a (lbs)
0.5	2,758	11,942
1.0	2,758	11,942
1.5	2,758	11,942
2.0	2,758	11,942
2.5	2,758	11,942
3.0	2,758	11,942
3.5	2,427	10,509
4.0	2,229	9,652
4.5	2,060	8,920
5.0	1,911	8,275
5.5	1,802	7,803
6.0	1,684	7,292
6.5	1,585	6,863
7.0	1,503	6,508
7.5	1,416	6,131
8.0	1,354	5,863
8.5	1,289	5,581
9.0	1,211	5,244
9.5	1,167	5,053

True Length (ft)	F _a (psi)	P _a (lbs)
10.0	1,121	4,854
10.5	1,079	4,672
11.0	1,041	4,508
11.5	1,015	4,395
12.0	988	4,278
12.5	955	4,135
13.0	922	3,992
13.5	892	3,862
14.0	872	3,776
14.5	851	3,685
15.0	833	3,607
15.5	813	3,520
16.0	782	3,386
16.5	752	3,256
17.0	729	3,157
17.5	706	3,057
18.0	680	2,944
18.5	660	2,858

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Columns - Allowable Axial Load Tables

6 x 6 x 1/2 ANGLE

Allowable Concentric Axial Stresses and Loads

A = 5.70 in.² r = 1.19 in. b/t = 12

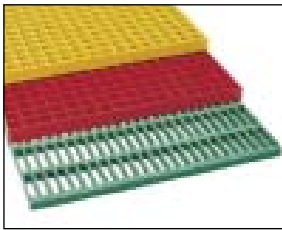
True Length (ft)	F _a (psi)	P _a (lbs)
0.5	3,620	20,634
1.0	3,620	20,634
1.5	3,620	20,634
2.0	3,620	20,634
2.5	3,620	20,634
3.0	2,960	16,872
3.5	2,512	14,318
4.0	2,290	13,053
4.5	2,120	12,084
5.0	1,984	11,309
5.5	1,844	10,511
6.0	1,748	9,964
6.5	1,642	9,359
7.0	1,548	8,824
7.5	1,469	8,373
8.0	1,397	7,963
8.5	1,337	7,621
9.0	1,267	7,222
9.5	1,202	6,851
10.0	1,157	6,595

True Length (ft)	F _a (psi)	P _a (lbs)
10.5	1,117	6,367
11.0	1,076	6,133
11.5	1,033	5,888
12.0	1,015	5,786
12.5	989	5,637
13.0	958	5,461
13.5	927	5,284
14.0	896	5,107
14.5	873	4,976
15.0	855	4,874
15.5	839	4,782
16.0	822	4,685
16.5	794	4,526
17.0	765	4,361
17.5	737	4,201
18.0	717	4,087
18.5	699	3,984
19.0	672	3,830
19.5	655	3,734

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Fibergrate Products & Services

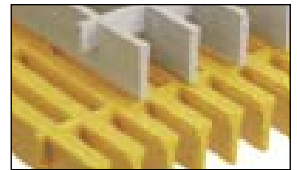


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Fibergrate molded gratings are designed to provide the ultimate in reliable performance, even in the most demanding conditions. Fibergrate offers the widest selection in the market with more than ten resins including Chemgrate CP-84 and more than twenty grating configurations available in many panel sizes and surfaces.

RIGIDEX® Moltruded® Grating

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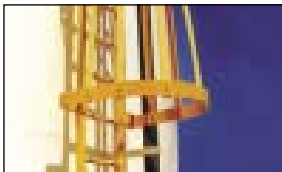
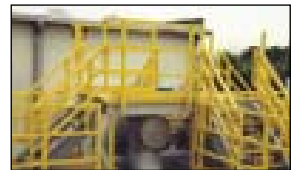


Safe-T-Span® Pultruded Industrial and Pedestrian Gratings

Combining corrosion resistance, long-life and low-maintenance designs, Safe-T-Span provides unidirectional strength for industrial and pedestrian pultruded grating applications.

Dynarail® Handrail

Easily assembled from durable prefabricated components or engineered to your specifications, Dynarail handrail meets or exceeds OSHA and strict building code requirements for safety and design.



Dynarail® Safety Ladder System

Easily assembled on site, Dynarail safety ladder systems meet or exceed OSHA requirements. Though less costly than prefabricated ladder systems, these safety ladders provide a custom fit to the supporting structure.

Dynaform® Structural Shapes

Fibergrate offers a wide range of pultruded structural components for industrial use, including bars, rods, tubes, beams, channels, leg angles and plates.

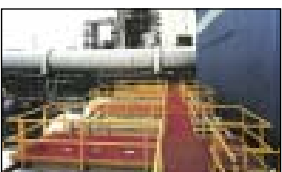


Stair Solutions

Fibergrate offers a wide range of slip-resistant products to meet your stair safety needs. These durable products which include treads, tread covers and covered stair treads are a long-term, cost-efficient solution for your facility.

Grating Pedestals

Uniquely designed adjustable single and quad head pedestals for square mesh molded grating are manufactured to provide safe and economical support for elevated flooring.



Fabrication Services

Combining engineering expertise with an understanding of fiberglass applications, Fibergrate provides turnkey design and fabrication of fiberglass structures, including platforms, catwalks, stairways and test racks.