

## Classification

Polyethylene-chlorosulfonated Hypalon, introduced by DuPont in 1952, is an elastomer used for a vast series of applications because of its particular characteristics that:

- ✓ good behavior in a wide range of temperatures (from -460 to +135°C)
- ✓ excellent mechanical characteristics
- ✓ excellent resistance to ozone and atmospheric agents
- ✓ good chemical resistance to mainly oxidizing and corrosive agents
- ✓ low permeability to humidity and other vapors
- ✓ good resistance to flame
- ✓ good dielectric characteristics

## Polymer type

The Hypalon derives from the chlorosulfonation of the polyethylene. The crystalline polyethylene is made amorphous through the introduction of chlorine in varying quantities from 25 to 45%. The vulcanization, obtainable with an ample range of systems, it happens for the presence of small quantities of groups sulfonyl-chloride or through the reaction with the alkyl-chloride structure. There are available, different types of polymers characterized by varying content of chlorine.

The characteristic physical-mechanics, compression set, chemical, and low temperature resistance are influenced by the content of chlorine.

Cl % Content		35	43	25	35 (heat res.)	35 (white cpd)
Hardness ShA	Pti	70	70	70	75	75
Tensile strength	Mpa	22	23	12	26	16
Elongation	%	250	200	150	240	350
Tear	Kg/cm	30	28	20	38	
Compression set 22 H @ 70°C	%	14	28	35	18	30
Heat ageing 7 days @ 121°C						
Tensile strength	%	5	-20	+10	+5	+20
Elongation	%	-15	-25	-55	0	-30
Hardness ShA	Pti	+11	+10	+16	+1	+4
ASTM N.3 70H @ 100°C						
Volume	%	+41	+12	+80	+45	+50
Water/Glycol 1/1 7 days @ 100°C						
Volume	%	+3	+2	+6	+15	
Clash Berg	°C	-17	-1	-25	-15	-16

## Applications

The applicatops concern the greater part of industry for instance: automotive, electric, house construction, cables and rolls.

- pipes for the transport of inorganic aggressive chemical solutions
- insulation cover
- membranes for waterproofing roofs, reservoirs and basins
- conveyor belts for minerals
- colored profiles for housing construction (very good color stability)
- rubber and textiles
- "food grade" items