

Application on Textile Plants

- Chilled Water/ VAM

 CHD 6°C NBR/EPDM Tubes
- Condensate -Condensate Lines -90°C - EPDM Tubes

Key Requirements for Textile Plants

- 1. Technical Suitability
- 2. Commercial Viability
- 3. Ease of Installation

Major Technical Properties Considered During the technical evaluation

- 1. Thermal Conductivity
- 2. Water Vapour permeability / Aging Characteristics
- 3. Flame Retardant Properties

Major application factors considered while evaluating insulation

- 1. Time taken for installation
- 2. Over all life of the system
- 3. Ease of installation
- 4. Maintenance / repair convenience
- 5. Aesthetics
- 6. Others

Materials in this temperature range are

- EPS
- PUF
- NBR
- EPDM

EPDM/NBR are most suitable out of the above options. A few reasons are detailed on the next page (over leaf).







NBR

- 1. Thermal Conductivity:
 - Off gassing: Filled with N₂ gas. Stable thermal conductivity.
 - At low temperature the conductivity is very low
- 2. 'u' Value

High ' μ ' Value (7,000). Inbuilt very high resistance to water vapour ingress.

- No need of external vapour barrier (easy & faster installation)
- Increase in Thermal Conductivity λ' over a period of time is negligible.
- Being flexible. Tubes & Sheets can take difficult shapes easily. Joints made with adhesive provide cold weld. It leaves no scope for water vapour ingress.
- 4. Corrosion:

NBR systems are non-metallic, resilient & have very ' μ ' value like NBR

- No risk of UIC (Under insulation corrosion)
- No risk of galvanic corrosion
- 5. Savings:

The installed cost of NBR is comparable with PUF/ PIR insulation. In long run it gives huge saving on account energy saving and almost no maintenance cost.

6. Space;

Required Insulation Thickness is less. So, the gap required between the pipes is less. Space Saving.

7. Installation:

No special tools & machinery is required

PUF/PIR

- 1. Thermal Conductivity:
 - Blown with CFC/ HCFC high molecular gases.
 Increase in conductivity even before installation.
 - At low temperature PUF conductivity is poor
- 2. 'µ' Value

Low ' μ ' Value (34-100). Very poor resistance to water vapour ingress.

- Need of external vapour barrier (difficult & takes longer time for installation)
- Increase in Thermal Conductivity λ' over a period of time is very high.
- 3. Being rigid, even with best installation practices the joints are always prone for water vapour ingress.
- 4. Corrosion:

Metallic Coating

- Risk of UIC (Under insulation corrosion)
- Risk of galvanic corrosion
- 5. Savings:

The long run they work out to be costly.

6. Space;

Required Insulation Thickness is more. So, the gap required between the pipes is more.

7. Installation:

Needs special tools and machinery

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