## Easyflex Metallic Expansion Joints



Bellows are a flexible piping element. The corrugation of the expansion joint is designed to be flexible in order to absorb pipe expansion and contraction due to changes in temperature. The number of corrugation of bellows is decided according to the displacement amount and the expansionary and contracting force that the bellows have to absorb. Bellows have to be strong to the design pressure and operating pressure of piping and installation and they also have to be flexible to absorb thermal movement. The thrust force of the flow in the piping has to be buttressed by things other than bellows. These are usually anchors, tie rods, hinges or gimbaled structures and our style ETR thrust restraints.



The value of the thrust force of bellows is usually calculated by multiplying the value of the effective cross section area by the value of the flow pressure of pipe

Kanwal's Easy Flex Bellows are fabricated from cylindrical tubes made of high ductility material. The cylindrical body is formed onto parallel corrugations which accommodates all basic movements without encountering wear and tear as associated with conventional mechanical devices. Bellows are designed and manufactures as per the latest additions of EJMA, ASME, GIS, BS, DIN, IS standards under the supervision of highly qualified team of engineers and technocrats.

To attain high flexibility and above average life expectancy, our Bellows are made from tested S. S. 316/321/304 stainless steel material. These bellows retain the flexibility when subject to internal pressure. Kanwal's Easy Flex Bellows have proven their outstanding performance in a wide variety of applications.



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# Operating Mechanism of Metallic Expansion Joints



#### Why Expansion Joints are Required

While designing pipelines, a main artery of the modern industry, planners always face many obstacles: the expansion and contraction of pipes caused by temperature changes both external and internal, vibrations generated from machine operation and other stress imposed on the pipelines by wind or in some cases by earthquake. Therefore, protection from these hazardous elements is always of major interest to the pipeline engineers.

To absorb pressure from expansion, contraction and the vibration of pipes, flexibility is key. One of the most effective flexible elements is the metallic bellows type expansion joint, which is currently widely used due to continued developments and improvements in the performance and design technique.

#### **Parts and Features of Expansion Joints**

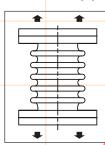
**Bellows:** After welded Piping forming with high-quality stainless steel sheets, bellows are produced through hydraulic forming or roll forming. And sometimes the bellows are heat treated to eliminate the remaining welding stress on the welded part or to remove the remaining stress generated during forming.

**End Pipe:** To facilitate connecting and fitting into the ends of bellows, the end pipe is normally made with the same material that is used for the pipeline, and also to the same size as the pipeline.

**Liner/Internal Sleeve:** A device which minimizes contact between the inner surface of the bellows of an expansion joint and the fluid flowing through it. It prevents vibration, and erosion of the Bellows.

**Flange:** Customer can choose a flange standard from among BS 10 Table D / ANSI / DIN / IS or any other standard.

**Tie Rod:** The rods protect a device from excessive stretching and prevent the dislocation of pipelines. They also stabilize pipelines by absorbing thrusts.

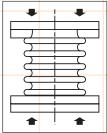


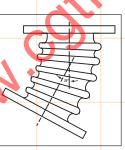
#### **Axial Elongation**

Axial Extension is the dimensional lengthening of the Expansion Joint.

#### **Axial Compression**

Axial Compression is the dimension shortening of an Expansion Joint along its longitudinal axis.



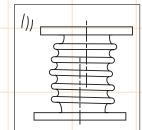


#### Angular Movement

Angular Rotation is the displacement of the longitudinal axis of the Expansion Joint from its initial straight line position into a circular arc.

#### Lateral Movement

Lateral Deflection is the relative displacement of the two ends of an Expansion Joint perpendicular to its longitudinal axis.



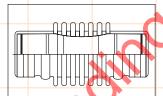
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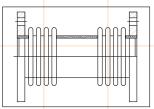
## Basic Types of Expansion Joints



#### Single Bellows Assembly

The simplest type of expansion joint consists of a single bellows element welded to end fittings, normally flange or pipe ends. The single bellows can absorb small amounts of axial, lateral and angular movement with ease, but adequate anchors and guides must be provided.



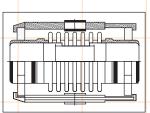


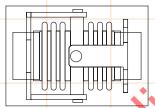
#### **Universal Expansion Joint Assembly**

This assembly consists of two bellows connected by a center spool piece with flange or pipe ends. The universal arrangement allows greater axial, lateral and angular movements than a Single Bellows Assembly. Increasing the center spool length produces increased movement capability. Like for the single Bellows adequate anchors and guides must be provided.

#### **Hinged Bellows Assembly**

When a Hinged Expansion Joint is used, movement is limited to angulations in one plane. Hinged Assemblies are normally used in sets of two or three to absorb large amounts of expansion in high pressure piping systems. Only low spring forces are transmitted to the equipment. The hinge hardware is designed to carry the pressure thrust of the system, and often is used to combattorsional movement in a piping system. Slotted hinged Expansion Joints are a variant of the standard Hinged Expansion Joints that allow axial and angular movement. Be careful; once a slotted Hinge is introduced, torsion in the piping system is still resisted but the hinge no longer carries pressure thrust.



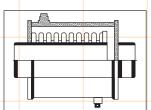


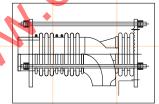
#### Gimbal Bellows Assembly

The gimbal restraint is designed to absorb system pressure thrust and torsional twist while allowing angulation in any plane. Gimbal Assemblies, When used in pairs or with a single hinged unit, have the advantage of absorbing movements in multi-planer piping systems. The gimbal works the same as an automobile's universal drive shaft.

#### **Externally Pressurized Assembly**

Line pressure acts externally on the bellows by means of a pressure chamber, This allows a greater number of convolutions to be used for large axial movements, without fear of bellows instability. Externally pressurized expansion joints have the added benefit of self-draining convolutions if standing media is a concern. Anchors and guides are an essential part of a good installation.





#### **Pressure Balanced Elbow Assembly**

These assemblies are used in applications where space limitations preclude the use of main anchors. Pressure thrust acting on the line bellows (bellows in the media flow) is equalized by the balancing bellows through a system of tie rods linkages. The only forces created by the axial, lateral, or angular movements. An elbow must be present in the piping network to install this style of expansion joint.

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### Flexible Metallic Hose Connections



Kanwal Industrial Corporation manufactures Corrugated Hoses and Hose Assemblies at an ultra-modern facility under the supervision of a qualified team of engineers and technocrats. They are suitable for wide range of chemicals, petroleum products, super heated steam, liquified gas and cooling lines.

**Size:** 1/4" (6mm) to 12" (300mm) **Temperature:** -200°C to 700°C

Material: Hose S.S. 316/321/304, Braiding S.S. 304.

**End Connections** 

Material of End connection: M.S., Carbon Steel, brass,

G.M. S\$ 304/304L/316L/321.

Type of End Connections; threaded Type BSP, BSPT, NPT,

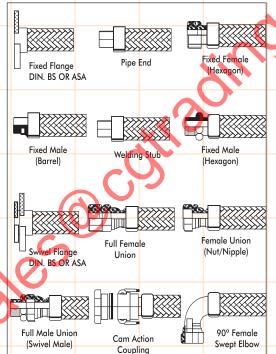
NPTF, METRIC, SAE, JIC.

Flange; As per BS, ASA, DIN, Slipon, RTJ or as per your

requirement.

**End Fittings** 

Manufactured from Mild Steel, Stainless Steel or Brass. These are fitted by Argon Welding (TIG) or brazing on S.S. Hose depending upon hose type and service conditions to from a complete hose assembly.



	TECHNICAL DATA									
	SIZE		112	GLE BRA	DOUBLE BRAID					
Nominal size DN Inch mm		Max. Working Pressure Kg/cm²	Test Pressure Kg/cm²	Burst Bend Kg/cm²	Static Bend Radius mm	Dynamic Bend Radius mm	Max. Working Pressure Kg/cm²	Test Pressure Kg/cm²	Burst Pressure Kg/cm²	
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### Easyflex Flexible Metallic Pump Connector



#### **Application**

Kanwal's stainless steel pump connectors have been optimally designed for use in pipework systems for pumps or compressors and used to suppress noise, absorb vibration, to correct and accommodate for minor lateral misalignment or thermal movement and to adjust for any building settlement

#### Construction

Manufactured with AISI 321 stainless steel corrugated tubing (to BS 6501 Pt.1) with AISI 304 stainless steel single overbraid & carbon or stainless steel end fittings, TIG welded AISI 304/316 stainless steel Corrugated Hose also available.

#### **End Fittings**

Screwed assemblies - Threaded BSP Taper Male Hexagon or Half Barrel Fittings Flanged assemblies, to BS10 table D/BS4504 & ANSI/ASA standards.

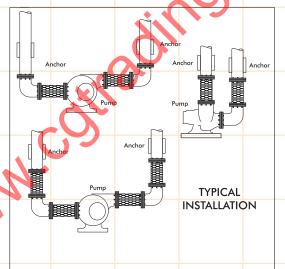
#### Installation

Braided pump connectors are not designed to absorb lateral movements and absorb vibration. For maximum efficiency the connectors should be placed in both the suction and discharge lines as close as possible & at 90° to the Vibration Source. They must be anchored at the pipework on the end away from the source.









Noming I.D. of "Easy Fle S. S. Braid Bellow	Length x" Inch/mm led	Max. Working Pressure At Room Temp.	Drilling Table	
1/2" 3/4" 1" 11/4" 11/2" 2" 21/2" 3" 4" 5" 6" 8" 10"	6"/150 6"/150 6"/150 6"/150 6"/150 6"/150 6"/150 6"/150 6"/150 6"/150 6"/150 12"/300	16 Bar 16 Bar 4.5 Bar	BS 10 Tab D	

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## SS Braided Connector with Copper Ends

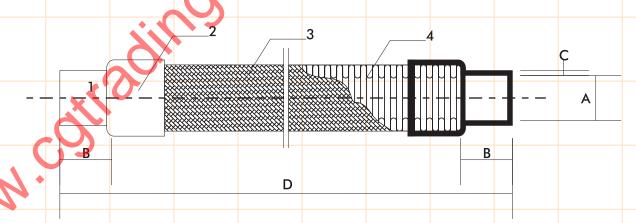


### Suitable for use with Refrigerants

R12		R4	01A	R	407A	R410A
R22		R4	01B	R	407B	R410B
R23		R4	02A	R	407C	R502
R12	5	R4	02B	R	408A	R507
R13	4A	R4	04A	R	408A	R508, R509



Part No.	Actual OD	Dimension in mm				Max. Working	Burst
	of Copper Tubing (in)	Α	B (±3)	С	D (±5)	Pressure (psi.)	Pressure (psi.)
SLBZ10	3/8	9.6	20	1.2	300	580	3770
SLBZ12	1/2	12.8	22	1.2	300	580	37 <mark>7</mark> 0
SLBZ15	5/8	16.0	24	1.2	300	580	3770
SLBZ20	3/4	19.2	32	<b>4</b> .2	300	580	37 <mark>7</mark> 0
SLBZ22	7/8	22.2	37	1.2	300	507	29 <mark>0</mark> 0
SLBZ25	1-1/8	28.6	46	1.5	30 <mark>0</mark>	507	24 <mark>6</mark> 5
SLBZ32	1-3 <mark>/8</mark>	♦34.9	51	1.5	300	507	2320
SLBZ40	1-5 <mark>/</mark> 8	41.3	57	1.5	30 <mark>0</mark>	493	17 <mark>4</mark> 0
SLBZ50	2-1/8	54.0	70	2.0	30 <mark>0</mark>	493	17 <mark>4</mark> 0



1 = Copper End

2 = Neck Ring

3 = SS Braid

4 = SS Corrugated Hose