"M" and "Y" Data

"M" and "Y" data are to be used for flange designs only as specified in the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Division 1, Section VIII, Appendix 2. They are not meant to be used as gasket seating stress values in actual service. Our bolt torque tables give that information and should be used as such.

"M" - Maintenance Factor

A factor that provides the additional preload needed in the flange fasteners to maintain the compressive load on a gasket after internal pressure is applied to a joint. The net operating stress on a pressurized gasket should be at least (m) x (design pressure, psi).

"Y" - Minimum Design Seating Stress

The minimum compressive stress in pounds per square inch (or bar) on the contact area of the gasket that is required to provide a seal at an internal pressure of 2 psig (0.14 bar).

Style	Thickness	M	Y (psi)
ST-706	1/16"	11.4*	4,800
	1/8"	22.0*	6,500
3000	1/16"	4.2	3,050
	1/8"	5.2	4,400
3123 / 3125	1/16"	2.0	2,500
	1/8"	2.0	2,500
3124	1/16"	2.0	2,500
(Wire-inserted)	1/8"	2.0	2,500
3125SS	1/16"	6.5	3,300
	1/8"	11.8*	5,900
3125TC	1/16"	2.6	2,500
	1/8"	6.0	3,000
3200 / 3400	1/16"	3.5	2,100
	1/8"	6.6	3,000
3300	1/16"	2.1	3,050
	1/8"	4.0	3,500
3500	1/16"	5.0	2,750
	1/8"	5.0	3,500
3504	1/16"	3.0	1,650
	1/8"	2.5	3,000
	3/16"	2.5	3,000
	1/4"	2.5	3,000
3510	1/16"	2.0	2,350
	1/8"	2.0	2,500
3530	1/16"	2.8	1,650
	1/8"	2.0	1,650
3535	1/4"	2.0	3,000
3540	1/16"	3.0	1,700
	1/8"	3.0	2,200
	3/16"	2.0	2,200
	1/4"	2.0	2,500

Style	Thickness	M	Y (psi)
3545	1/16"	2.6	1,500
	1/8"	2.0	2,200
	3/16"	2.0	2,200
	1/4"	7.0	3,700
(in envelope)	1/8"	2.0	800
HP 3560	1/16"	5.0	3,500
	1/8"	5.0	4,000
HP 3561	1/16"	5.0	3,500
	1/8"	5.0	4,000
3565	1/16"	2.8	1,400
	1/8"	3.7	2,300
	3/16"	5.5	2,800
	1/4"	6.0	2,800
3591	1/16"	4.3	1,650
	1/8"	2.0	1,650
3594	1/16"	3.0	1,650
	1/8"	3.0	2,500
3700	1/16"	3.5	2,800
	1/8"	6.7	4,200
IFG® 5500	1/16"	6.6	2,600
	1/8"	6.6	3,300
IFG® 5507	1/16"	3.5	2,400
	1/8"	5.5	3,900
9800	1/16"	3.5	2,350
	1/8"	8.0	3,200
9850	1/16"	6.5	2,550
	1/8"	8.0	2,800
G-9900	1/16"	4.5	4,100
	1/8"	6.0	4,100
STRESS SAVER® 370	1/8"	2.0	400

* These M values, based on ambient temperature leakage with nitrogen, are high. Field experience has shown that lower values would be workable in elevated temperatures. Consult Applications Engineering.

Gasket Constants

Style	Thickness	Gb	a	Gs	S100	S1000	S3000	S5000	S10000	Tpmin	Tpmax
3123	1/16"	970	0.384	0.05	5,686	13,765	20,989	25,537	33,325	—	—
3125SS	1/16"	816	0.377	0.066	4,631	11,033	16,694	20,240	26,284	—	—
3125TC	1/16"	1400	0.324	0.01	6,225	13,126	18,738	22,110	27,678	—	—
3500	1/16"	949	0.253	2.60E+00	3,043	5,448	7,194	8,187	9,756	373	16,890
	1/8"	1980	0.169	3.93E-01	4,313	6,365	7,663	8,354	9,393	223	25,375
3504	1/16"	183	0.357	4.01E-03	947	2,155	3,190	3,828	4,903	3,097	14,817
	1/8"	1008	0.221	2.23E+00	2,793	4,649	5,928	6,638	7,739	141	72,992
3510	1/16"	289	0.274	6.61E-11	1,021	1,918	2,592	2,981	3,605	11,881	25,501
	1/8"	444	0.332	1.29E-02	2,048	4,399	6,336	7,507	9,449	1,770	17,550
3535	3/8"	430	0.286	1.69E-09	1,605	3,101	4,245	4,913	5,991	373	
3540	1/16"	550	0.304	7.64E-01	2,230	4,491	6,272	7,326	9,044	973	23,670
3545	1/16"	162.1	0.379	1.35E-09	927	2,217	3,361	4,079	5,303	18,209	61,985
	1/8"	92.48	0.468	2.50E-03	799	2,349	3,930	4,992	6,907	4,460	53,307
	3/16"	628	0.249	7.93E-05	1,977	3,507	4,611	5,236	6,222	373	
3561	1/16"	72.3	0.466	2.16E-01	618	1,808	3,016	3,827	5,286	1,688	21,755
3591	1/16"	35	0.582	1.90E-04	517	1,975	3,745	5,041	7,547	1,410	29,194
3594	1/16"	151	0.41	1.64E-05	998	2,564	4,023	4,961	6,591	10,318	41,724
	1/8"	66	0.523	4.98E-06	739	2,462	4,373	5,712	8,208	6,308	24,174
3700	1/8"	1,318	0.258	6.00E-01	4,324	7,833	10,400	11,865	14,188	373	—
5500	1/16"	1,247	0.249	1.10E+01	3,925	6,964	9,155	10,397	12,356	373	—
9850	1/16"	1,591	0.239	9.30E+00	4,783	8,292	10,782	12,182	14,377	141	110,005
9900	1/16"	2,322	0.133	1.80E+01	4,284	5,819	6,735	7,208	7,904	199	128,434
ST-706	1/16"	2,455	0.267	6.22E-01	8,396	15,526	20,818	23,860	28,711	—	—

Gb = stress at which seal is initiated; "a" = the slope of the log/log tightness curve; Gs = intersection of the unload curve with the vertical axis (Tp1).

Note: For a 5" OD gasket at 800 psig, Tp100 = 102ml / min. leakage, Tp1,000 = 1.02ml / min. leakage, Tp10,000 = 0.01 ml / min. leakage.