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#### Technical Data Sheet 355

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<b>Material</b>	<b>AFM 55</b> is an asbestos-free gasket and insulating material. It consists of aramide fibers and other asbestos substitutes that are resistant to high temperatures and are processed with high-grade elastomers under elevated pressure and temperature.
<b>Properties</b>	<b>AFM 55</b> exhibits good electrical and thermal insulating properties as well as excellent thermal resistance. In the delivered condition, <b>AFM 55</b> is soft, pliable and easy to work and process. By means of special temperature treatment or during normal use at elevated temperatures, the material hardens and obtains its maximum mechanical strength.
<b>Application</b>	For sealing fluids and for thermal and/ or electrical insulation, e.g. in hot pressing or welding devices or for manufacturing transport rollers that are resistant to high temperatures.
<b>Surfaces</b>	As standard, one side of <b>AFM 55</b> is coated with a non-stick, high-friction layer that greatly facilitates disassembly.



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**Technical Data**  
(nominal thickness  
2.00 mm)

<b>Density</b>	g/ cm <sup>3</sup>	1.8 - 2.0
<b>Ignition loss</b> acc. to DIN 52 911	%	< 34
<b>Tensile strength</b> acc. to ASTM F 152, across grain acc. to DIN 52 910, across grain	N/ mm <sup>2</sup> N/ mm <sup>2</sup>	> 10 > 8
<b>Residual stress</b> acc. to DIN 52 913 heated material (2h, 200 °C) 16 h, 300 °C 16 h, 175 °C	N/ mm <sup>2</sup> N/ mm <sup>2</sup>	≈ 20 ≈ 28
<b>Compressibility and recovery</b> acc. to ASTM F 36, procedure J compressibility recovery	% %	4 - 10 > 50
<b>Swelling</b> acc. to ASTM F 146:		
<b>in IRM 903 Oil</b> (replaces ASTM Oil No. 3) 5 h, 150 °C		
increase in thickness	%	< 10
increase in weight	%	< 15
<b>in ASTM Fuel B</b> 5 h, room temp.		
increase in thickness	%	< 10
increase in weight	%	< 10
<b>in water / antifreeze</b> (50:50) 5 h, 100 °C		
increase in thickness	%	< 5
increase in weight	%	< 10
<b>Thermal conductivity</b> of a two- sheet device similar to DIN 52612, at 5 N/ mm <sup>2</sup> surface pressure fresh material (48 h, room temp. 60% rel. hum.) heat- treated material (2 h, 200 °C)	W/ m·K W/ m·K	≈ 0.65 ≈ 0.58
<b>Electrical specific resistance</b> acc. to DIN 53482, at 5 N/ mm <sup>2</sup> surface pressure fresh material (48 h, room temp., 60% rel. hum.) heat- treated material (2 h, 200 °C)	cm cm	≈ 3.7 x 10 <sup>9</sup> ≈ 1.7 x 10 <sup>14</sup>
<b>Dielectric strength</b> acc. to DIN 53481, at constant voltage fresh material (48 h, room temp., 60% rel. hum.) heat- treated material (2 h, 200 °C)	kV/ mm kV/ mm	≈ 8.5 ≈ 10.0
<b>Short- term peak temperature</b>	°C	400
<b>Maximum continuous temperature</b>	°C	300
<b>Maximum operating pressure</b>	bar	100



**Max. continuous temperature and max. pressure must not occur simultaneously.**



The data quoted above are valid for the material "as delivered" without any additional treatment. In view of the countless possible installation and operating conditions, definitive conclusions cannot be drawn for all applications regarding the behaviour in a sealed joint. Therefore, we do not give any warranty for technical data, as they do not represent assured characteristics. If you have any doubt, please contact us and specify the exact operating conditions.

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**Form of delivery**                      **Gaskets**                      according to a drawing, dimensions supplied, or other arrangement.

**Sheets**                                      1500 x 1500 mm (standard size)

**Nominal thicknesses and tolerances** acc. to DIN 28091-1 (mm)  
Dimensional limits within a shipment

<b>0.30</b>	±0.10
<b>0.50</b>	±0.10
<b>0.75</b>	±0.10
<b>1.00</b>	±0.10
<b>1.50</b>	±0.15
<b>2.00</b>	±0.20
<b>3.00</b>	±0.30

Max. thickness variation in a sheet:

0.1 mm for sheet thickness ≤1.00 mm, and 0.2 mm for thickness >1.00 mm