

## **Hard Plumbing**

It is important to NOT connect rigid piping directly to the tank. Polyethylene tanks expand and contract due to temperature, pressure, and changes in volume (filling & emptying). These changes may cause the tank to crack or the fitting to fail if the proper attachments are not installed in the correct locations.

(Picture 1, Fitting Failure) (Picture 2, Cracked Tank)



Expansion Joints: *(See Picture 3 For Example)*Expansion joints are used to absorb vibrations coming from the pumps through the hard plumbing directly contacting the tank and its fittings. A full faced flange should be used when using expansion joints. If you are using an expansion joint, the pipe support needs to be placed after the flex. An isolation valve should be placed between the tank and expansion joint.

Over tightening of bands and straps can cause similar problems. In order to prevent this, don't tighten the restraints so much that you can't remove them. Just make sure it is snug.



Flexible connections can be used to help with plumbing issues. This type of connection includes, but is not limited to, hose and expansion joints, which allows movement between the tank fittings, plumbing, and pump. The location most crucial for the flexible connectors is the lower third of the tank. In a polyethylene tank, this is the area where the most movement occurs.



Spring supports can be used under the pumps and valves to help dampen vibrations and movement.

Supports need to be adequately designed to stand up to the job's demands.

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### **Rubber Expansion Joints**

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# Single Wide Arch Style 1101

36" ID X 10" FF Style 1101 single (1) wide arch expansion joint



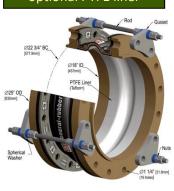
72" ID X 12" FF Style 1101 with INT-WB integral gusset/retaining ring control unit



Style 1101 assembly with W/B 4-rod control unit



Style 1101 assembly with SW/SW 3-rod control unit and optional PTFE liner



### Double Wide Arch

**Style 1102** 

36" ID X 15" FF Style 1102,1202 double (2) wide arch expansion



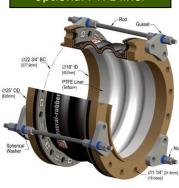
72" ID X 16" FF Style 1102,1202 with INT-WB integral gusset/retaining ring control unit



Style 1102,1202 assembly with W/B 4rod control unit



Style 1102,1202 assembly with SW/SW 3-rod control unit and optional PTFE liner



# Triple Wide Arch Style 1103

36" ID X 20" FF Style 1103,1203 triple (3) wide arch expansion joint



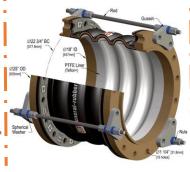
72" ID X 22" FF Style 1103,1203 with INT-WB integral gusset/retaining ring control unit



Style 1103,1203 assembly with W/B 4rod control unit



Style 1103,1203 assembly with SW/SW 3-rod control unit and optional PTFE liner



Quadruple Wide Arch
Style 1104

36" ID X 24" FF Style 1104,1204 quadruple (4) wide arch expansion joint



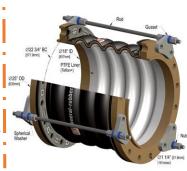
72" ID X 26" FF Style 1104,1204 with INT-WB integral gusset/retaining ring control unit

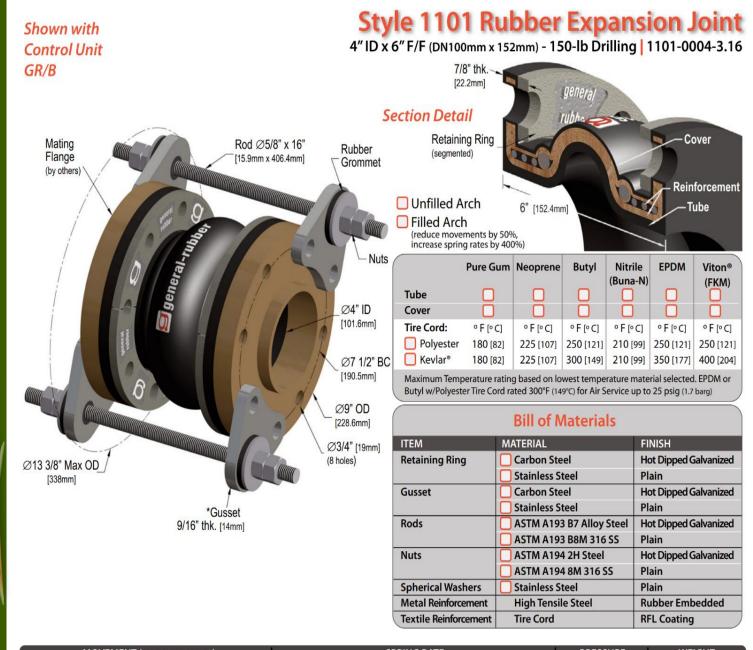


Style 1104,1204 assembly with W/B 4rod control unit



Style 1104,1204 assembly with SW/SW 3-rod control unit and optional PTFE liner





MOVEMENT (non-concurrent)					SPRING RATE					PRESSURE		WEIGHT	
Comp. in [mm]	Ext. in [mm]	Lateral in [mm]	Angular deg.	Torsional deg.	Comp. lb/in [N/mm]	Ext. Ib/in [N/mm]	Lateral Ib/in [N/mm]			psig	Vacuum in-Hg [barg]	RBJ with Rings Ibs [kg]	Control Unit Ibs [kg]
1 3/4 [44]	7/8 [22]	1 [25]	22	3.6	550 [96]	710 [124]	590 [103]	1.9 [2.58]	3.5 [4.75]	225 [15.5]	30 [-1]	14 [6]	11 [5]



\*Gusset thickness and pressure listed above are for carbon steel gussets and ASTM A193 B7 rods.

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