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LAMINATES & PANELS



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1945
M.C. Gill started, "Peerless Plastics, Inc." in a rented 4-car garage in Montebello, CA



1955
Purchased 6'x14' steam heated press, largest in the industry



1952
DC-6 started using our proprietary cargo liners



1959
Developed Secret Cargo Liner formulation for Gilliner® 1066

In the early 1950's, the Douglas Aircraft Company asked if The Gill Corporation (TGC) could make a 48" wide laminate for lining the inside of the cargo compartment of their DC-6. We could and we did using a resin formulation of our own design. Several years later, while working on a new and better resin, we discovered a secret ingredient that greatly increased the mechanical values of our laminate – Gilliner® 1066.

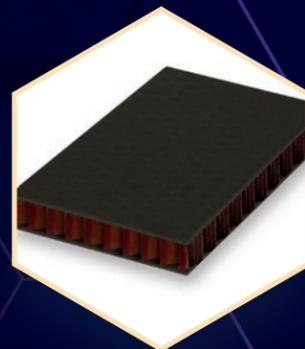
Since then, TGC expanded Research & Development, and production to become the leading supplier of cargo lining solutions for almost every aircraft in service.

TGC took its Fiber Reinforced Plastic (FRP) expertise to the next level and developed sandwich panel constructions that meet a broad spectrum of strength, weight, and environmental conditions.

Today, TGC is a globally recognized leader in sandwich panel solutions used as sidewalls, floors, and construction of monuments and assemblies.

TGC can provide optimized materials for existing, modification, conversion, derivative and new aircraft programs. Our value added offerings include full fabrication capabilities to provide detailed parts, assemblies and entire shipset kits.

Sandwich Panel



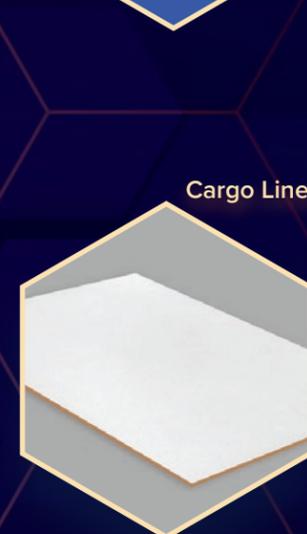
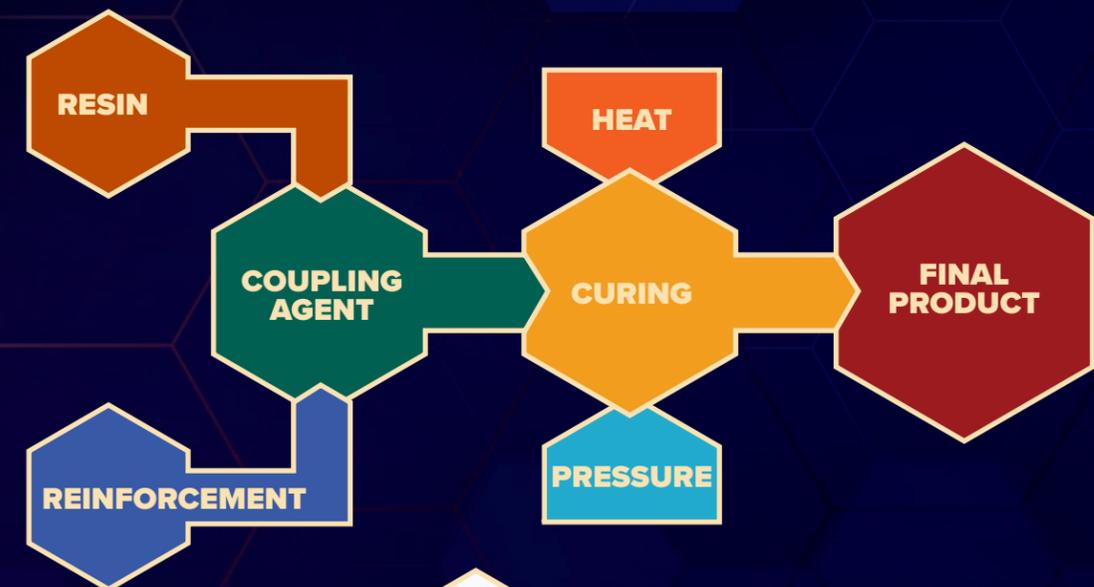
Passenger Compartment

FIBER REINFORCED PLASTIC (FRP)

Fiber reinforced plastics combine a polymer resin matrix with a fiber reinforcement to yield a high strength, lightweight composite material that is suitable for structural, and abrasion resistant fire barrier applications. The reinforcement allows for a variety of mechanical and physical properties to be designed into the laminate while the resin matrix surrounds and supports the reinforcement for optimum translation of the fiber properties. The resin mix can be modified with additives to improve characteristics such as flammability, impact and edge bearing strength.

Fiber reinforced plastics are the foundation of TGC's cargo liner and sandwich panel designs and can be tailored to meet a specific set of requirements by modifying:

- ◆ Resin matrix
- ◆ Type of reinforcement
- ◆ Amount of reinforcement
- ◆ Orientation of the fiber
- ◆ Surface veil
- ◆ Fabrication process



Cargo Liner



Cargo Bay



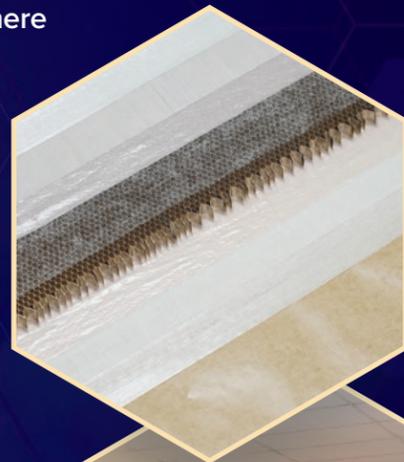
LAMINATION AND PRESSING

Fiber reinforced composites are produced with processes established specifically for the resin matrix chemistry and product construction. All TGC designs feature thermosetting polymer resins that are cured using precise heat and pressure combinations.

TGC engineering established critical production processes to blend resin with reinforcement to ensure uniform fiber coating before the matrix is thermoset. This is accomplished by using either wet lay-up or pre-impregnating the reinforcement with resin in a partially polymerized state known as B-stage prior to lay-up.

Polyester and vinyl ester laminates are produced in sheet or roll form. The roll form involves a rotary cure press where dry reinforcement is submerged in the resin to saturate the fibers. This 'wet' reinforcement transfers onto the heated pressing belt to cure the laminate. For phenolic laminates produced on the rotary press, pre-impregnated reinforcement is used instead of wet lay-up materials.

Polyester and vinyl ester panels are produced where dry woven reinforcement plies are 'wet out' with polymer resin in a manual process. The wet lay-up materials are transferred into multi-opening platen presses where heat and pressure cure the product.



Rotary Cure Press



Material Lay-up

Epoxy, phenolic, and nylon materials are produced using a multi-step process where resin is pre-impregnated using an automated process into the reinforcement, then partially cured prior to the lay-up step. TGC's automated process can pre-impregnate woven and unidirectional reinforcements.

The final step before lamination and pressing is lay-up, a manual operation performed by production operators in an environmentally and temperature controlled area. During lay-up, constituent materials (e.g. unidirectional and woven preregs, honeycombs, film adhesives) are assembled directly onto a caul sheet, according to the sequence and orientation defined by the process specification. The scope and level of complexity involved in lay-up varies by product construction, ranging from woven glass reinforced laminates to sandwich structures having multi-layer, cross-plyed, unidirectional facings. Following completion of the lay-up, panels are transferred into a platen press where heat and pressure are applied to cure the composite.



Multi-Opening Platen Press



SPECIALTY LAMINATES AND CARGO LINERS

Cargo liner is used to cover interior walls and ceilings of aircraft baggage and freight compartments. The liner provides fire protection as required by 14 CFR 25.855 when installed in Class B-E cargo compartments of passenger, combi and freighter aircraft. The fiberglass layers of the liner prevent cargo bay fire propagation to passenger or crew occupied aircraft areas before the fire suppression system can contain the fire. Secondly, the liner creates a sealed environment encapsulating hazardous levels of smoke while helping to maintain an adequate concentration of fire extinguishing agents.

CRITERIA WHEN DESIGNING A LINER

- ◆ Impact/Puncture Resistance
- ◆ Edge-Bearing Strength
- ◆ Abrasion Resistance
- ◆ Flexural Strength (lower sidewall applications)
- ◆ Flammability, Smoke, and Toxicity (FST)
- ◆ Weight
- ◆ Cost

SPECIALTY LAMINATE APPLICATIONS

- ◆ Edge-attachments for aircraft windshields and transparencies
- ◆ Fuel cell lining
- ◆ Backing for non-textile flooring (NTF)
- ◆ Overhead stowage bin repair
- ◆ High-performance Laminates
- ◆ Abrasion, Impact and Fire-barriers
- ◆ Fiberglass – Epoxy/Phenolic/Polyester resins



RESIN MIXING, FILM ADHESIVE, AND PREPREG PROCESSES

Polymer chemistry expertise of resins, adhesives and prepregs enable TGC to tailor optimal solutions that provide the lightest, strongest materials. TGC capabilities include

- ◆ Mixing vessels and reactors for compounding proprietary resin systems.
- ◆ Full complement of analytical testing equipment for controlling rate of cure, viscosity, chemical composition and rheometry.
- ◆ Proprietary adhesive systems produced on film coater - adaptable to different sandwich panel requirements.
- ◆ Ability to handle polyester, vinyl ester, phenolic, epoxy, and nylon resin systems.
- ◆ Ability to prepreg virtually every commercially available reinforcement - including: aramid, E-glass, S-glass, carbon, and hybrids, utilizing multiple resin systems.



R&D – Analytical Testing



Adhesive Coater



Mixing Vessel



Woven Prepregger



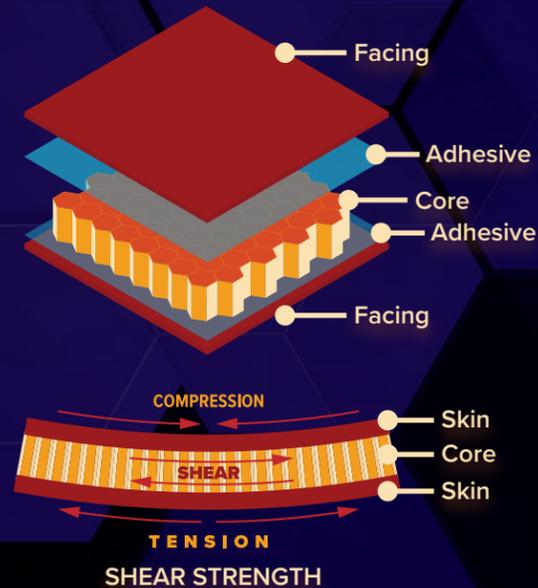
Uni-Directional Prepregger

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SANDWICH PANELS

Sandwich panels are bonded structures consisting of facings, adhesives with a core material. TGC's vertical integration capabilities allow for production of all composite facings using prepreg processes, adhesives and metallic and non-metallic core materials. The sandwich structure is similar to an I-beam where the facing act as flanges to transfer bending loads, while the core acts as the web to transfer shear loads.

Sandwich panels offer maximum design flexibility and shear strength whereby specific mechanical and physical properties can be achieved using different cores, facing materials and build-ups. Through vertical integration, we produce a variety of constituent materials to meet even the most rigorous strength and weight requirements.



EVALUATION CRITERIA

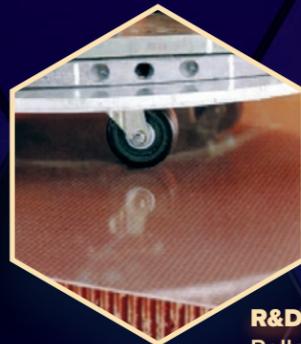
Considerations in evaluating sandwich panels may include:

SAFETY—Fire resistant; low toxicity and smoke emissions in a fire.

WEIGHT—Low initial weight; minimal weight gain when exposed to moisture, or when fastening systems and edge sealing are added.

DURABILITY—Corrosion and abrasion resistant; resistant to repetitive loading, e.g., fatigue from flexural stresses, point loads such as stiletto heels or rolling cart wheels; dent and puncture resistant; environmental resistance; no loss in strength from fabricating or from the addition of fasteners.

COST—Ease of fabrication from raw stock panel to “ready to install,” e.g., simple installation of fasteners and rapid cutting with proper tools; inexpensive installation accessories such as inserts or other fasteners and edge sealant or close-out; high yield from raw stock panels, e.g., panel dimensions can be made compatible with finished sizes and resistant to edge damage during cutting using accepted cutting procedures.



R&D
Roller
cart test

APPLICATIONS – MEETING FST REQUIREMENTS WHERE REQUIRED

Sandwich panels are used in applications where durability and weight saving are necessary such as in aircraft, building and construction, transportation, automotive, and other structures.

CARGO BAY

- ◆ Floor panels
- ◆ Sidewalls
- ◆ Ceilings
- ◆ Partition walls
- ◆ Bulkheads
- ◆ Cargo linings
- ◆ Decompression Panels
- ◆ And other applications

PASSENGER COMPARTMENT

- ◆ Floor panels
- ◆ Class dividers
- ◆ Lavatory
- ◆ Galley
- ◆ Monuments
- ◆ Side walls
- ◆ Stow bins
- ◆ And other applications



PANEL DESIGNS

Any combination of material types built from material such as:

REINFORCEMENTS

- ◆ Unidirectional glass (E/S)
- ◆ Woven Glass (E/S)
- ◆ Unidirectional Carbon
- ◆ Aluminum

CORES

- ◆ Aluminum Honeycomb
- ◆ Meta-Aramid Honeycomb
- ◆ Para-Aramid Honeycomb
- ◆ End-Grain Balsa Wood

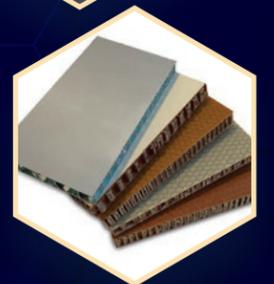
RESIN MATRICES

- ◆ Epoxy
- ◆ Phenolic
- ◆ Vinyl Ester
- ◆ Polyester
- ◆ Nylon



ADHESIVES

- ◆ Epoxy
- ◆ Phenolic
- ◆ Contact



SAFETY

Resistance to fire and toxic smoke is an advanced feature of TGC's woven glass phenolic with aramid core honeycomb panel.



WEIGHT

Extreme light weight and strength combine to afford fuel savings in aircraft and other transport vehicles.



DURABILITY

Resistance to repeated heavily loaded caster wheels and high heels provides the durability feature.

As illustrated, sandwich panels have the potential to outperform monolithic structures, offering better rigidity and higher strength to weight ratio:



RATIOS OF THICKNESS TO STRENGTH AND WEIGHT

QUALIFICATIONS

We offer a list of “stock” products for AOGs and being a vertically integrated manufacturer, we can produce sub assemblies in house to meet your custom requirements.

PANELS

OEM	PRODUCT	SPECIFICATION	CONSTRUCTION
Airbus	Gillfab® 4123 Gillfab® 4223 Gillfab® 4405A/B Gillfab® 4422 Gillfab® 4505 Gillfab® 4522 Gillfab® 4523 Gillfab® 4605 Gillfab® 5509	5360 M1M 000500 Type MDC2 5360 M1M 000500 Type BCC2 TL 53/5000/79 Types PC3-1, PC3-2 2550 M1M 000800 Types A-N 5360 M1M 000600 Type PC3 5360 M1M 000500 Type CCC1 5360 M1M 000500 Type BCC3 5360 M1M 000600 Type PC1 ADET 0096 Types I-III	Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass phenolic facings, Tedlar/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD, woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon phenolic facings/para-aramid honeycomb core
AVIC	Gillfloor® 4417 Gillfloor® 4809C	ZMS4417 Types I-III ZMS4416 Type II AAMS3705 Types II, III	UD glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon epoxy facings/para-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon epoxy facings/para-aramid honeycomb core
Boeing	Gillfloor® 4417 Gillfloor® 4417A Gillfloor® 4518 Gillfloor® 4709 Gillfloor® 4809 Gillfab® 5040 Gillfloor® 5424 Gillfab® 5433E	BMS 4-17 Types I-V, IX BMS 4-17 Type VI BMS 4-17 Types X, XI BMS 4-20 Types II-IV BMS 4-20 Types VI-XI BMS 4-10 Type I BMS 4-23 Types I-III BMS 7-326 Type VII	UD glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD glass epoxy facings/para-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon epoxy facings/para-aramid honeycomb core Aluminum facings/end-grain balsa wood core UD glass epoxy facings/aluminum honeycomb core Aluminum facings/woven glass epoxy core
British Aerospace	Gillfloor® 4017T Gillfab® 4109	MAT 003 Types I, II BAER 3247, BAER 3231	UD glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core
C&D Aerospace	Gillfab® 4030	CDM200-92	Aluminum facings/aluminum honeycomb core
COMAC	Gillfab® 4223 Gillfab® 4422C Gillfab® 4505 Gillfab® 4522 Gillfab® 4605 Gillfab® 4809C	CMS-CP-501 Type I, Class I CMS-CP-504 Types I-II CMS-CP-502 Type I CMS-CP-501 Type II CMS-CP-502 Type II CMS-CP-505 Type I	Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass phenolic facings, PVF /meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon epoxy facings/para-aramid honeycomb core
Dassault	Gillfab® 4030 Gillfab® 4034 Gillfab® 4034A Gillfab® 5020 Gillfab® 5120	DWG F9XJ550042A0 DWG 7700262 DWG F9XJ550055A0 DWG 7700355 DWG F9XJ550044A0 DWG F9XJ550043A0	Aluminum facings/aluminum honeycomb core UD carbon, woven glass epoxy facings/aluminum honeycomb core UD carbon, woven glass epoxy facings/aluminum honeycomb core UD carbon, woven glass epoxy facings/aluminum honeycomb core Aluminum facings/aluminum honeycomb core Aluminum facings/aluminum honeycomb core
Embraer	Gillfab® 4009 Gillfloor® 4017T Gillfab® 4030 Gillfab® 4117 Gillfab® 4122A Gillfab® 5040	MEP 15-030 MEP 15-031 Types I, II MEP 02-010 Classes I-V MEP 15-017 Types I, III-XIX MEP 15-029 Types I-VI MEP 02-011	UD carbon epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Aluminum facings/aluminum honeycomb core Woven glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Aluminum facings/end-grain balsa wood core
Goodrich Corp	Gillfloor® 4809	4E7873-1, -2, -3	UD carbon epoxy facings/para-aramid honeycomb core
Gulfstream	Gillfab® 4030 Gillfab® 4122A Gillfloor® 4417G	CCS1039 CCS1004 GAC101FE	Aluminum facings/aluminum honeycomb core Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core
Learjet	Gillfab® 5101 Gillfab® 5020	LES1277 LES 1070, Grades 1-3	Aluminum facings, primed/aluminum honeycomb core Aluminum facings/aluminum honeycomb core
McDonnell Douglas	Gillfloor® 4017T Gillfab® 4022A Gillfab® 4109 Gillfab® 4417 Gillfab® 5042B Gillfab® 5042B Gillfab® 5042B Gillfab® 5065	DWG BZZ7002 Type III DWG 9D0059 Types 1A, 2A DWG 9D0207 Types I, II DWG BZZ7002 Types I, II DWG S3932193 DWG S3932195 DWG S4931863 DWG BZZ7002 Types IV, V	UD glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD carbon phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Aluminum facings/end-grain balsa wood core Aluminum facings/end-grain balsa wood core Aluminum facings/end-grain balsa wood core UD glass epoxy facings/aluminum honeycomb core
The Gill Corporation	Gillfab® 4321 Gillfab® 4623 Gillfloor® 5007C Gillfloor® 5007D Gillfab® 5071A Gillfab® 5075	FAR 25.855 Flammability FAR 25.855 Flammability FAR 25.855 Flammability FAR 25.855 Flammability FAR 25.853 Flammability FAR 25.853 Flammability	UD, woven glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core UD, woven glass epoxy facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass, mat polyester/end-grain balsa wood core UD, woven glass mat polyester facings/end-grain balsa wood core Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core Woven glass phenolic facings/meta-aramid honeycomb core

LAMINATES

OEM	PRODUCT	SPECIFICATION	CONSTRUCTION
Airbus	Gillfab® 1369A Gillfab® 3072	2550 M1M 000800 ABS 5777 2550 M1M 000400	Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side Woven glass phenolic ‘h’ profile, Tedlar 1 side
AVIC	Gillfab® 1002 Gillfab® 1042 Gillfab® 1342 Gillfab® 1370A	ZMS 1556 ZMS1558 Type I ZMS 1558 Type III ZMS2419 Class 1	Woven glass phenolic Woven glass phenolic Woven glass phenolic with peel ply Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side
Boeing	Gillliner® 1076C Gillliner® 1366C Gillfab® 1137 Gillliner® 1366F Gillliner® 1076D Gillfab® 1368A Gillfab® 1368B Gillfab® 1368E Gillfab® 1368G	BMS 8-2 Class 1, Grade A BMS 8-2 Class 2, Grade A BMS 8-13 Type I BMS 8-2 Class 2, Grade B BMS 8-2 Class 3, Grade A BMS 8-223 Class 2, Grade B BMS 8-223 Class 4, Grade B BMS 8-223 Class 2, Grade A BMS 8-223 Class 5, Grade B	Woven glass polyester Woven glass polyester Woven nylon nylon Woven glass polyester, Tedlar 1 side Woven glass, matte polyester Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar both sides Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side
C&D Zodiac	Gillfab® 1368A Gillfab® 1368B Gillfab® 1368E Gillfab® 1368G	CDM010-09 Class 2, Grade B CDM010-09 Class 4, Grade B CDM010-09 Class 2, Grade A CDM010-09 Class 5, Grade B	Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar both sides Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side
Cessna	Gillfab® 1368A	TPS 3511	Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side
COMAC	Gillfab® 1370A	CMS-CP-503 Class 2, Grade B	Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side
De Havilland	Gillliner® 1366 Gillliner® 1366T	DHMS P1.42 Class B, Grade 1 DHMS P1.42 Class B, Grade 2	Woven glass polyester Woven glass polyester, Tedlar 1 side
Embraer	Gillfab® 1050 Gillliner® 1366	MEP 15-046 Type IV MEP 15-046 Type III	Woven glass epoxy Woven glass polyester
Honeywell	Gillfab® 1368A	CEMS-1068	Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side
McDonnell Douglas	Gillfab® 1002 Gillfab® 1042 Gillfab® 1100 Gillfab® 1167 Gillfab® 1368A	DMS 1556 DMS 1558 Type II DMS 1946 Type I DMS 2226 Type I, Class 1 DMS 2419 Class 1, 2	Woven glass phenolic Woven glass phenolic Woven glass polyester, Tedlar 1 side Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side Woven glass phenolic, Tedlar 1 side
Military	Gillfab® 1002	MIL-P-25515	Woven glass phenolic
Sierracin	Gillfab® 1302 Gillfab® 1002 Gillfab® 1109	MAT 277 MAT 350 MAT 723 Type I	Woven glass phenolic Woven glass phenolic Woven nylon epoxy
The Gill Corporation	Gillliner® 1066 Gillliner® 1366D	FAR 25.855 Flammability FAR 25.855 Flammability	Woven glass polyester Woven glass, scrim polyester

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Quotables

Sometimes the fool who rushes in gets the job done.

— Michael LeBoeuf, Author

'Stop doing' lists are more important than 'To Do' lists.

— Jim Collins, Author

Success is liking yourself, liking what you do, and liking how you do it.

— Maya Angelou

The occupational disease of a poor executive is an inability to listen.

— Dr. Lydia Gibers

The man who views the world at 50 the same he did at 20 has wasted 30 years of his life.

— Mohammed Ali, Boxer

Genius begins great works, labor alone finishes them.

— Joseph Joubert, Author

All cats are grey in the dark.

— Benjamin Franklin

Almost all big mistakes are made when people perceive things are going well.

— Jason Beans,
Rising Medical Solutions Inc.

A certain amount of opposition is a great help: kites rise against, not with, the wind.

— John Neal, Author

Life is hard. After all, it kills you.

— Katharine Hepburn

A man can succeed at almost anything for which he has unlimited enthusiasm.

— Charles Schwab, Schwab Inc.

The problem isn't knowing what to do, the problem is having the will to do it.

— Stephen Gill

You don't convince people by telling them, you convince people by asking them.

— Zig Ziglar, Trainer

Ours is an age which is proud of machines that think and suspicious of men who try to.

— Unknown

Never ruin an apology with an excuse.

— Kimberly Johnson, Author

Only a mediocre person is always at their best.

— Laurence J. Peter, Educator



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