

Elastomeric expansion joints

RAN - SIN GPE RAN P series



# ELASTOMERIC MOVEMENT JOINTS

When bridges were designed with short spans and massive appearances, movement joints were not an essential mechanical item required, if they were required then simple joints would have been used.

But, once this old style of bridge design was substituted with a modern concept, mechanical movement joints became an important feature, hence extensive development in this field.

More recently, pre-stressing techniques, segmental construction methods and cable-stayed designs have further increased the demand and importante for performance and realiability in modern mechanical movement joints.

Since the research and development within FIP Industriale has been so productive, we are now in a positive position to boast a wide range of standard and non-standard elastomeric movement joints which are able to accommodate movements ranging from 50 mm to 800 mm, with non-standard movement joints accommodating movements beyond 800 mm.

By using over 40 years of design, manufacture, testing and installation experience, we have discovered and exclusive design that will allow the maintenance to be carried out after several years without the operation becoming arduous and costly.



In 1992, FIP Industriale secured CISQ-ICIM certification for its Quality Assurance System in conformance with EN 29001 European Standard (ISO 9001).

FIP Industriale is proud to be the first Italian manufacturer of structural bearings, aseismic devices and expansion joints boasting a Quality Assurance System certified at the highest level - from design to customer service assistance.

Certification has been achieved via rigorous evaluation by an internationally recognized Third Party Organisation, thus internationally validating the quality assurance system.



#### DESCRIPTION -

FIP elastomeric movements joints come in a wide range of formats, each format having a certain movement range to accommodate, with only the types of materials used remaining constant.

Based on a design of reinforced rubber modular elements, FIP movement joints provide for the following advantages:

- Simple installation
- Simple and cost effective inspections and maintenance
- Minimal noise and vibration
- Ultimate comfort for passengers passing over
- Smooth running surface
- Optimum functioning and durability of all components
- Minimal interference with the structure
- Format easily adjusted to many shapes to accommodate layout of structure or design engineers' preference
- Several different types of anchorage to suit client requirement

The series of standard movement joints available are labelled as follows

**RAN, SIN**movement range from 30 to 50 mm**GPE**movement range from 50 to 250 mm**RAN P**movement range from 300 to 800 mm



Expansion joint being tested at FIP laboratory



RAN and SIN type expansion joints are made of monolithic reinforced elastomeric pads with a central straight of sinusoidal profile to bridge the gap and accommodate the required movements. The elements are seated on a 3 mm bedding of epoxy mortar and are affixed to the deck by means of suitable anchor system. Two lateral stainless steel channels guide the water infiltrating through the wearing course and binder layers to a drainage outlet cast into the structure. A central gutter is also provided for further security in order to protect the internal vertical surfaces of the deck.

#### MOVEMENT JOINT RAN AND SIN SERIES







| POS. | DESCRIPTION               | MATERIAL                    |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| А    | Sealant                   | EPOBLOCK ME binder          |
| В    | Transition strip          | EPOBLOCK ME 3C              |
| С    | Mortar bedding            | Betonfip / EPOBLOCK ME 3C   |
| D    | M12 threaded bar or other | ASTM grade B7               |
| E    | Gutter                    | Hypalon                     |
| F    | Water drainage channel    | Steel UNI 8317-X5 CrNi 1810 |
| G    | Anchoring epoxy resin     | Primer P150                 |

#### FIP MOVEMENT JOINTS AROUND THE WORLD



2nd Severn Crossing - UK



Coltano Viaduct - Italy



Bridge over the Po river - Italy



Scardon Viaduct - France

# MOVEMENT JOINT - GPE SERIES

GPE type expansion joints are made of monolithic reinforced elastomeric pads with a central plate bridging the gap. The movements are accommodated by a suitable number of grooves in the elastomer which is of a sinusoidal profile. The elements are seated on a 3 mm bedding of epoxy mortar and are affixed to the deck by means of suitable anchor system. Two lateral stainless steel channels guide the water infiltrating through the wearing course and binder layers to a drainage outlet cast into the structure. A central gutter is also provided for further security in order to protect the internal vertical surfaces of the deck.

| JOINT<br>Type | TOTAL<br>MOVEMENT<br>(mm) | HEIGHT | WIDTH  | GAP        | ANCHORS<br>(center to center) |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------|--------|------------|-------------------------------|
|               |                           | H (mm) | X (mm) | Y (mm)     | Z (mm)                        |
| GPE 50S/100   | 50                        | 57     | 314    | max 95     | 234                           |
| GPE 50S/175   | 50                        | 57     | 389    | max 170    | 309                           |
| GPE 50S/250   | 50                        | 57     | 464    | max 245    | 384                           |
| GPE 80        | 80                        | 61     | 320    | average 60 | 240                           |
| GPE 120       | 120                       | 78     | 372    | average 80 | 292                           |

Rubber modulus is 900 mm long



| POS. | DESCRIPTION               | MATERIAL                   |
|------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| А    | Sealant                   | EPOBLOCK ME binder         |
| В    | Transition strip          | EPOBLOCK ME 3C             |
| С    | Mortar bedding            | EPOBLOCK ME 3C / Beton FIP |
| D    | M16 threaded bar or other | ASTM grade B7              |
| E    | Gutter                    | Hypalon                    |
| F    | Water drainage channel    | UNI 8317-X5 CrNi 1810      |



| JOINT<br>TYPE | TOTAL<br>MOVEMENT<br>(mm) | HEIGHT | WIDTH  | GAP    | ANCHORS<br>(center to center) |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------------------------------|
|               |                           | H (mm) | X (mm) | Y (mm) | Z (mm)                        |
| GPE160        | 160                       | 64     | 730    | 100    | 640                           |
| GPE200        | 200                       | 64     | 839    | 120    | 749                           |
| GPE250        | 250                       | 74     | 914    | 145    | 824                           |

Rubber modulus is 900 mm long



| POS. | DESCRIPTION               | MATERIAL                   |
|------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| A    | Sealant                   | EPOBLOCK ME binder         |
| В    | Transition strip          | EPOBLOCK ME 3C             |
| С    | Mortar bedding            | EPOBLOCK ME 3C / Beton FIP |
| D    | M20 threaded bar or other | ASTM grade B7              |
| E    | Gutter                    | Hypalon                    |
| F    | Water drainage channel    | UNI 8317-X5 CrNi 1810      |
| G    | Sliding sheet             | UNI 8317-X5 CrNi 1810      |

#### MOVEMENT JOINT -RAN P SERIES

The RAN P type movement joint is of a modular reinforced pad design. The principal components are a central bridging plate comprising of elastomer blocks vulcanised to steel reinforcement plates. Either side of the bridge plate sets of elastomeric bellows are installed in order to accommodate the longitudinal movements. The whole system of bridge bellows and bridge plate slide ceremoniously on stainless steel sheets which are fastened down with epoxy resin. The anchorage system fixes the external elements i.e. the bridge bellows down into the deck, stainless steel anti-lift bars which also act as guides are inserted into the bellows and are also fixed into the deck. The bridge plate however is fastned by means of suitable bolts into the bellows to give an all round secure system. Two lateral stainless steel channels guide the water infiltrating through the wearing course and binder layers to a drainage outlet cast into the structure. A stainless steel central gutter is also provided for further security in order to protect the internal vertical surfaces of the deck.



| POS. | DESCRIPTION               | MATERIAL                |
|------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| А    | Bellow                    | Steel reinforced rubber |
| В    | Central bridging plate    | Steel reinforced rubber |
| С    | Sealant                   | EPOBLOCK ME binder      |
| D    | Transition strip          | EPOBLOCK ME 3C          |
| E    | Antilifting bar           | UNI 8317-X5 CrNi 1810   |
| F    | M20 threaded bar or other | ASTM grade B7           |
| G    | Gutter                    | UNI 8317-X5 CrNi 1810   |
| Н    | Sliding sheet             | UNI 8317-X5 CrNi 1810   |
|      | M24 threaded bar or other | ASTM classe B7          |
| L    | Water drainage channel    | UNI 8317-X5 CrNi 1810   |















The installation procedure for the elastomeric movement joints is a simple task owing to various factors such as:

- joint elements are supplied in easily accessible modules
- the thickness of rubber components is small
- fixing to the structure is simple as no special supporting device is required to be recessed into the deck slab
- various types of fixing methods are available to choose from

#### MOVEMENT JOINT INSTALLATION

## **TYPICAL INSTALLATION PROCEDURES**

#### **RAN AND SIN TYPE EXPANSION JOINT**



# **INSTALLATION PROCEDURES**



#### Table n. I

| JOINT TYPE | D<br>(mm) | V<br>(mm at average temperature) |
|------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| RAN 30     | 320       | 25                               |
| RAN 50 S   | 400       | 55                               |
| RAN 50     | 400       | 55                               |
| SIN 50     | 450       | 55                               |







# **INSTALLATION PROCEDURES**

#### PHASE I A JOINT TYPE (mm) GPE 50/100 400 GPE 50/175 500 GPE 50/250 600 GPE 80 480 GPE 120 550 GPE 160 890 GPE 200 1000 GPE 250 1100 - Saw cut the black top ① according to dimensions indicated in table "A":

#### **GPE TYPE EXPANSION JOINT**







- Spread S FIP 180 to the exposed . surfaces ②
- Install stainless steel sheet (GPE160 - GPE200 - GPE250 only) ③
- Install and fix the joint modules ④ by tightening the nuts ⑤- Seal the bolts head with
- EPOBLOCK 6
- Fill lateral nosings with EPOBLOCK ME 3C 🔊

# **INSTALLATION PROCEDURES**

#### **RAN P TYPE EXPANSION JOINT**













New Thelwall Viaduct - UK



Portimao Bridge - Portugal



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