





FLUOROCARBON











World leading innovations in
fluoropolymer processing

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The Hertford site conforms to
Green Dragon Level 2
Environmental Standard



Our products are tested to
ISO Standards

Our Company

One of the largest fluoropolymer processors in the UK and a global supplier of PTFE, polymer related components and engineering stock shapes to market leaders throughout the world

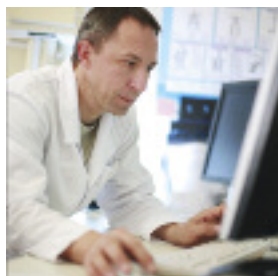
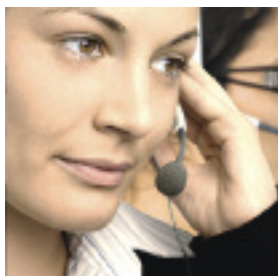


Corporate Overview

Founded in 1962, Fluorocarbon specialises in the design and manufacture of complex machined components, PTFE seals, slide bearings, skidways systems and high performance coatings. With customers who are worldwide market leaders across many business areas we ensure our products & services are focused on meeting their increasing demands.

The Fluorocarbon Group has 5 manufacturing sites: 4 in the UK and 1 in Europe, sales offices in Europe and the USA and partners globally. We aim to offer our customers high quality, cost effective solutions, from material selection and product design to manufacturing and distribution.

With a quality system certified to ISO 9001:2008 and a group research and development team striving to bring new materials and products to market, we have the in-house capability to offer bespoke products tailored to meet the individual requirements of our customers.



Markets

Aerospace

With customer approvals including Airbus UK, Rolls Royce and BAE Systems, our products are deployed across applications in major commercial and military aircraft programmes.

Automotive

We are committed to the development of products to meet our automotive customers' present and future requirements. Our cost-effective components offering longevity are designed to meet the high quality demands dictated by APQP, PPAP and SPC.

Chemical Processing

We supply a vast range of high performance components that allow operation over a wide temperature range, whilst offering outstanding chemical resistance and flexibility.

Off-highway

The arduous off-highway and construction industry requires products that can withstand extreme physical displacement. With this in mind, we design and manufacture resilient components that also offer exceptional weather and abrasion resistance.

Food

Offering a wide range of products to suit applications in the food & beverage and industrial bakeware market, we take great care to ensure that FDA approvals are met.

Oil, Gas & Petrochemical

The oil and gas industry is provided with a wide variety of components for applications designed to withstand the most extreme pressures and temperatures such as sub-sea constructions, platforms and process plants.

Medical & Pharmaceutical

Chemical resistant components are developed specifically to meet the rigorous demands of sensitive medical device applications.

Semi-conductor

Semicon OEMs across the world are supplied with critical components for use in sophisticated wafer-processing equipment.

Water & Environmental

Our high purity and ozone resistant products are designed to offer longevity and perform in specific customer environments.

Fluorocarbon Products

An extensive range of standard and bespoke solutions in fluoropolymer materials, coatings and advanced engineering thermoplastics



High Performance Engineering Plastics & Stock Shapes

With over 40 years of experience in the manufacture of PTFE, melt fluoropolymers and high performance polymers, our range of engineering plastics & stock shapes is one of the most extensive in the world.

The Fluorinoid® range is available in many variants including in-house blended grades to incorporate fillers such as glass, carbon fibre, graphite and bronze as well as unfilled virgin materials. This, combined with our latest machining and measuring technologies, offers a high quality end-to-end service that is second to none.

Melt Fluoropolymers

Using our specialised processing equipment and wide tooling range we are able to convert high performance and melt fluoropolymer materials into shapes for post machining or low to high volumes of moulded components.

Available in materials including PEEK, PCTFE, PFA and FEP our range of products includes extruded and hot compression moulded rod, heavy tubing, sheet and custom shapes.

PTFE Rod & Tube

We specialise in high quality PTFE compression moulded and extruded rod and tube in a wide range of diameters and lengths, all suitable for today's modern machining.



Services:

- Stress relieving service available to enable machining to tight tolerances
- In-house tensile strength and elongation testing
- Precision grinding service to ensure close tolerances for modern machining

PTFE Sheet & Tape

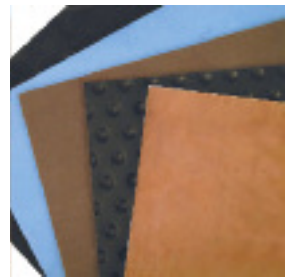
As one of the largest UK manufacturers of virgin and filled PTFE sheet and tape we ensure each product is tailored to meet customer requirements.

Our extensive range includes dimpled, moulded, skived and self adhesive available in a variety of thicknesses.

A fast turnaround service is available on non-stock items and same day dispatch on all standard stock items.

Etching & Bonding

PTFE is well-known for being a non-stick material; therefore, to enable bonding to other substrates, surface modification in the form of chemical etching is required.



Using the Fluoroetch® process we offer a full in-house service of chemical etching and bonding of fluoropolymers including PTFE, PFA, ECTFE, PCTFE, FEP and TFM.

Etching and bonding of free-issue material is available.



Machined Components

Utilising the latest technology, we specialise in the precision machining of fluoropolymer materials into complex components for use throughout many markets including aerospace, chemical, medical, pharmaceutical and telecommunications.

Whether prototype or volume manufacturing, our state of the art facilities including milling, turning centres, CNC lathes and multi axis CNC and sliding head machines enable us to offer a service tailored to meet specific customer requirements.



CNC Sliding Head & Automatics

With over 15 auto bar-fed machines spread over 2 areas we offer faster, more precise and cost-effective machined parts that bring benefits to our customers.

CNC Turning & Milling

Our extensive experience in turning and milling offers precision machining to tight tolerance, which results in the highest accuracy and quality parts tailored to individual customer requirements.

Moulded Components

Exploiting our extensive injection and transfer moulding facilities we convert the widest range of melt fluoropolymers and advanced engineering thermoplastics into precision component parts. In addition, complex PTFE components are produced by isostatic and automatic moulding processes.

Our high quality products are supplied for some of the world's most prestigious projects and used across many markets including chemical, medical, fluid handling and aerospace.

Moulding technologies are enhanced by first class technical support, material advice, product and mould design.

Injection Moulding

Fluorocarbon's range of specially modified, high temperature, injection moulding machines manufacture a wide variety of customer components from thermoplastics and fluoropolymers including PFA, FEP, PCTFE, PEEK, ETFE, ECTFE, PES, PAI and PPS.



Optimised for cost and reliability, our facilities mould complex shapes in high volume production and/or one-off bespoke parts for a specific application. Using our unique tooling system we can supply samples and prototypes prior to production.

Isostatic Moulding

Isostatic moulding, originally developed for the manufacture of ceramics, can provide the solution to enable intricate and contoured shapes to be produced with little or no machining. We have the ability to produce high quality, large and complex shapes in PTFE which, to date, has been virtually impossible to produce other than by extensive machining and fabrication.

As a leading fluoropolymer processor with over 40 year's experience, our products and coating services can be found worldwide throughout many markets



High Performance Surface Coatings

Fluorocarbon has been applying specialist industrial surface coatings for over 40 years. Our breadth of experience and technical expertise enables us to offer the right coating solution for chemical or environmental protection, low friction, non-stick and decorative coatings.

As a leading coatings provider we offer a wide range of fluoropolymers such as PTFE, FEP, PFA, ECTFE and ETFE – backed by our strong partnerships with major suppliers including **DuPont** (Teflon®), **Whitford** (Xylan®), **Solvay** (Halar®), **Arkema** (Rilsan®) and **SBS**®. Other industrial paint systems are available to suit specific customer requirements.

Our robotic spray plant and conveyor ovens are capable of high volume production, whilst large and small single batch ovens take care of low volume or one-off coating requirements.

Working with our customers to understand their needs, our experience ensures we recommend the most accurate and cost-effective coating to add product value and a distinct competitive advantage.

Markets supplied include aerospace, automotive, food, chemical, oil & gas and pharmaceutical.

Fluoralon® HB Coatings

Fluoralon® High Build coatings have been developed to provide the ultimate in chemical protection.

The range, based on high performance melt processible fluoropolymers such as ECTFE, PFA and ETFE, has been formulated to provide enhanced toughness and chemical protection.

Surface & Blast Cleaning

Our pre-treatment area is extremely diverse, specialising in surface treatments including blast cleaning and finishing solutions for a vast range of materials to suit various applications.



Services include:

- Solvent and aqueous degreasing
- Grit/shotblasting
- Aluminium oxide
- Chilled iron
- Steel grit
- Glass bead
- Flame spraying
- Other blast media are available

Refurbishment

Our maintenance and refurbishment service offers the controlled removal of surface coatings to restore products to their original condition.

Our service covers most types of process and engineering equipment including:

- Bakery equipment (dough hoppers, chutes & rollers)
- Chemical processing equipment (centrifuges, agitators & process vessels)
- Handling equipment (guide rails, conveyor slats & feed chutes)
- Packaging machinery (heat seal bars & cutting blades)

We acknowledge the following trademarks
Teflon® - El. DuPont de Nemours and Company. USA
Xylan® - Whitford BV
Halar® - Solvay Sulexus Inc. USA
Rilsan® - Arkema. France
SBS® - SBS Bakeware Technologies SL



Industrial Bakeware

FBS Prestige (incorporating Fluorocarbon Bakeware Systems Ltd and Prestige Industrial Ltd) is at the forefront of designing and manufacturing the next generation in bakeware solutions.

Operating from 3 sites; 2 UK locations in Nottingham and Sheffield and 1 in Europe, we offer the benefits of an experienced and innovative engineering team that utilise the most effective design and manufacturing processes including CAD/CAM design and CNC turret punching equipment.



More than just a manufacturer, we develop specifically designed standard and custom made bakeware, including: bread tins, barbanded trays and baking moulds required for high volume production on all types of automated handling and conveying systems.

We are pleased to include many major UK, European and Middle Eastern companies within our customer portfolio and all products and services are guaranteed to meet individual customer needs and requirements.

Monitoring and Scheduling Service

We operate a comprehensive cleaning, re-coating and repair programme, designed as a continuous rotation cycle to suit individual needs and ensure minimum disruption to the day-to-day operation of the bakery. The aim is to keep bakeware in top hygienic condition and extend the working life of equipment.

This programme relates to all types of coated or silicone glazed bakeware products. Items purchased through FBS Prestige can be refurbished using original manufacturing tools to re-form to original supplied specification.

Coatings Product Range

Significant investment in the latest food approved release coating technology allows us to supply the finest range of coating solutions developed specifically for the baking industry.

Our close association with **DuPont®** and **SBS®**, together with our company owned **Fluoralon®** system enables us to provide a wide and effective range of food approved non-stick release coatings that eliminate the need for oil or grease.

We also offer anodising, traditional silicone glaze and rubber coatings.

FLUORALON®



We offer custom solutions for use throughout many industries including chemical, pharmaceutical, food processing, aerospace, automotive and offshore



Seals

At Fluorocarbon we are dedicated to the design and manufacture of high performance energised PTFE seals, Fluoroglide® PTFE bearings, metal sealing rings and PTFE lipped rotary shaft seals. Seals are available with rubber or metallic spring energisers in a wide range of forms and materials to meet almost any sealing application.

We offer custom solutions for use throughout many industries including chemical, pharmaceutical, food processing, aerospace, automotive and offshore, as well as custom designs for special applications.



Designed for use in the most demanding conditions our seals offer the following benefits:

- Excellent chemical resistance
- Wide operating temperature range
- Very low coefficient of friction
- No stick/slip effect
- High resistance to wear
- Good dry running properties

Whether a standard seal or a custom design requirement our dedicated technical team can provide you with innovative and effective solutions to your needs.

Our full range of seals

Bespoke Designed Seals

Using our team of engineers we design, develop and specify a range of sealing and bearing components to meet the demands of a variety of applications.

Elastomeric Energised Seals

Our range of elastomeric energised seals incorporate O rings or square section rings in a selection of materials.

Metallic Sealing Rings

Metal O and C rings are used as a deformable seal in a static sealing situation.

Rotary Shaft Seals

PTFE rotary seals are designed to seal liquid and gaseous media in rotating hardware.

Spring Energised Seals

Our range of spring energised seals incorporate a metallic energiser of either a 'V' or coil section.

Fluoroglide® Bearings

Fluoroglide® PTFE bearing strips are used to guide pistons and piston rods in hydraulic and pneumatic cylinders to prevent metal-to-metal contact.

Polyurethane Seals

A range of polyurethane seals has been developed for both hydraulic and pneumatic use, all to fit within the ISO standard groove dimensions.



Fluoroglide® Slide Bearings, Pipe Supports & Skidways



The science of managing very heavy load movement requires special understanding. Utilising our range of Fluorinoid® load bearing low friction materials we have gained a global reputation for providing slide bearing and skidway solutions to the construction, oil and gas industries.

Based on our 30 years of technical experience we offer a professional design, manufacturing and onsite consultancy service dedicated to resolve slide bearing and skidway needs. We also supply PTFE plain and dimpled inserts to leading manufacturers of pot bearings for road and bridge applications.



Fluoroglide® Slide Bearings & Pipe Supports

Fluoroglide® slide bearings are superior to conventional expansion plates, rollers and rocker arms, accommodating expansion, contraction and other reciprocating motions of any structure that moves as a result of thermal, seismic or differential forces. Such bearings operate at high loads and low speeds, and it is under these conditions, together with its no stick-slip and anti-weathering characteristics, that the self-lubricating properties of Fluorinoid® PTFE are at a maximum.

We produce Fluoroglide® slide bearings in a range of configurations using either virgin or glass filled Fluorinoid® PTFE as the bearing material. Each bearing is designed specifically to suit the application.

Applications:

- Expansion movement in pipelines, heat exchangers, concrete decks or pipes
- Cryogenic, vibration and acoustic affects on pipelines
- Steam heated pipelines on North Sea oil production modules
- Oil, water & gas transportation - above ground pipe mains
- Large, complex concrete buildings - multi-storey car parks, civic centres, etc.
- Pedestrian walkways

Fluoroglide® Skidways

Based on the proven PTFE slide bearing technology, we design and manufacture bonded PTFE/metallic Fluoroglide® skidway plates to suit individual customer requirements.

Fluoroglide® skidway plates are used in construction yards around the world to assist in skidding oil jackets, semi-submersible modules and heavy structures. Jackets, decks and semi-subs with weights up to 30,000 tonnes have been successfully loaded out on Fluoroglide® skidway plates.

In addition, to aid effectiveness of our bearings and reduce breakout friction, we also provide Fluoroslip® 415 and Fluoroslip® 414 with PTFE additive.

Our core values of customer focus, high quality and commitment ensure we differentiate from our competitors



Hose

We offer an extensive range of Fluoroline® PTFE hose and hose assemblies in many configurations including smoothbore, convoluted, braided, unbraided, heat shielded & pre-formed. All assemblies can be supplied with standard or bespoke end fittings.

PTFE hoses are designed for numerous applications involving high and low temperature, corrosive chemicals, high pressure, steam, food transfer, gases, hydraulic fluids and sterile material.

Our hoses are successfully deployed across various industries including power generation, aerospace, military and chemical processing.



Valve Seats

We manufacture a wide range of soft seat configurations across many industries supplying major global customers. Standard valve component materials include all grades of PTFE and modified PTFE, all types of fluoropolymers, high performance plastics and rubber; they are also available in standard sizes, with larger sizes and specially developed materials being available on request.

Applications:

- Valve seats and seat inserts - seats for all types of valves including ball valves, butterfly valves, gate valves, chokes and plug valves
- Valve stem seals, including chevron packing and all types of energised seals
- Complete valves, valve liners and linings



PU & Rubber Finished Products

Our team of engineers can design, develop and specify a range of elastomeric components to meet the demands of a variety of applications such as off-shore, construction and off-highway markets. We supply some of the world's largest companies with a range of elastomeric components including:

- Pipe clamps
- Valve seats
- Seals
- Grommets
- Bellows
- Diaphragms
- Bump stops

Other Custom Moulded Products

We offer a wide range of materials including cast or injection moulded polyurethane, NBR, fluorocarbon, EPDM, and silicone.





Quality

At Fluorocarbon it is our policy to continually improve our Quality Management System and every level of our organisation is focused on satisfying and exceeding the needs and expectations of our customers.

Emphasis is placed on quality throughout the production process, commencing with incoming raw materials, through manufacture and concluding with inspection and delivery of the finished product. We ensure that everyone who has a direct influence on the quality of our products has the skills and training to achieve these ideals.



Approvals

- BS.EN.ISO. 9001: 2008
- AS9100 Aerospace Approval
- BAE Systems Military Programme activities (Approval no. BAE/AG/10755/MAA)
- Rolls Royce
- Airbus UK Limited (Approval no. AUK/SA/30043)
- Dowty - GE
- Raytheon
- Pattonaire

Laboratory Testing

Using our modern, qualified laboratory, we offer full traceability on all products and materials and ensure the highest quality finish. Day-to-day testing and analysis to international standards includes ASTM, DIN, BSI and ISO.

Testing carried out includes, but is not limited to: tensile, elongation, density, hardness zero strength time and peel testing.

Environmental Policy

We regard environmental issues amongst our highest priority and continuously seek to improve our performance.

Reducing carbon footprint is now fundamental to many organizations. From the stages of design through manufacturing, we strive to minimise any potential impact on employees, customers, the general public and the natural environment by complying with all relevant legislations.

Research & Development

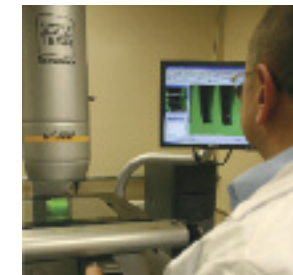
Offering design, development and laboratory testing facilities to handle projects from concept to full scale manufacture, our team of qualified R&D engineers and material specialists carry out on-going new material and product development projects. Using our strong relationships with worldwide partners we offer engineering solutions tailored to suit specific applications.

Materials

Based on elastomer, PTFE and thermoplastic technologies, our Fluorinoid® company register includes over 400 materials that offer exceptional characteristics enabling them to operate in demanding environmental conditions at temperatures to over 300°C.

Materials include:

PTFE, PEEK, PCTFE, PFA, PPS, ETFE and ECTFE.



Our Service

- Advice on material selection to meet specific applications
- Customer specific blends including colour pigments to provide exclusivity
- Formulation and in-house blending of special material compounds in a clean and controlled environment
- A variety of fillers including glass, carbon, graphite, bronze, ekonol and aluminium
- Testing of materials and finished products to a wide range of European, US and international standards

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