

Appendix B Definitions

Compression Seal

A compartmentalized or cellular sealant which by compression between the joint faces provides a seal.

Gasket

A deformable material clamped between essentially stationary faces to prevent the passage of matter through an opening or joint.

Joint Filler

A compressible material used to fill a joint to prevent the infiltration of debris and to provide support for sealants.

Joint Sealant

A compressible material used to exclude water and solid foreign materials from joints.

Packing

A deformable material used to prevent or control the passage of matter between surfaces which move in relation to each other.

Preformed Sealant

A sealant functionally preshaped by the manufacturer so that only a minimum of field fabrication is required prior to installation.

Seal

A generic term for any material or device that prevents or controls the passage of matter across the separable members of a mechanical assembly.

Sealant

Any material used to seal joints or openings against the passage of solids, liquids, or gases.

Waterstop

A thin sheet of metal, rubber, plastic, or other material inserted across a joint to obstruct the seeping of water through the joint.