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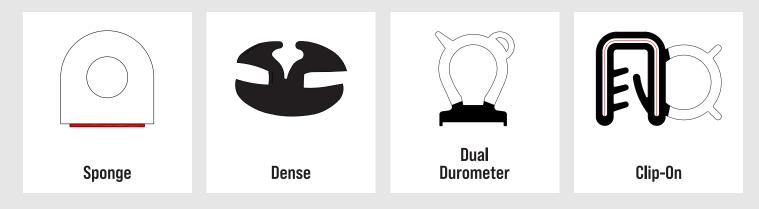
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## INFORMATION

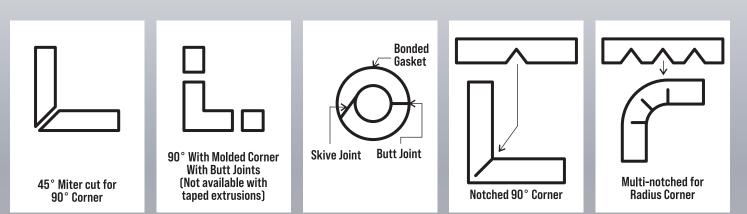
### **TYPES OF SEALING PROFILES**



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#### **PRESSURE-SENSITIVE ADHESIVE SYSTEMS**



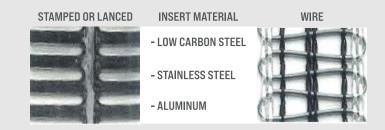
Some type of adhesive will be needed to hold your seal in place. Whether it is for temporary placement or a permanent application, different adhesive requirements will need to be met. Each surface type may require a different adhesive. Contact your FS Sales Engineer to determine the correct adhesive method for your specific application.

Generally, 3M HATS Tape is used for permanent applications where the seal is exposed to extreme environments and stresses (see diagram below). Acrylic and rubber based adhesives are normally used to hold the seal in place before the seal is more permanently attached. Acrylic and rubber adhesives are generally used in less demanding applications. Special considerations apply when bonding to irregular and low-surface energy materials (polypropylene and glass for example).

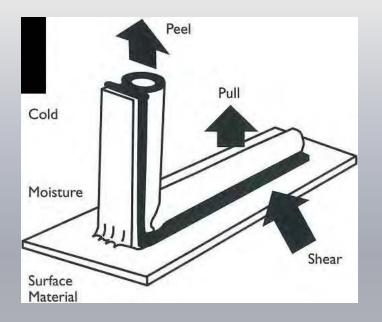
No matter what bonding surface you apply the seal to, it must be clean and free of any surface contaminants such as oils, greases, plasticizers, mold releases and dirt in general. Most bonding failures are not due to the adhesive failing, but instead the failure to properly clean the surfaces. It is also important to note that all adhesive applications will require compression when the gasket is being applied.

#### **CLIP-ON INSERT SELCTION**

FS USA manufactures coextruded dual, and triple durometer EPDM rubber seals with encapsulated metal inserts. Depending on the sealing application, multiple insert materials and configurations are available to meet specific performance requirements. Variables which influence insert design and configuration include bulb location, corner radii, the axis in which the seal will be mounted, shear, pull and peel forces, and flange geometry. Contact your FS Sales Engineer to select the appropriate insert for your engineered sealing profile.



Sponge: EPDM, Neoprene, Vinyl Nitrile, Silicone Dense: EPDM, Neoprene, Nitrile, Silicone, PVC, TPE Multiple Durometer: EPDM, Neoprene, Silicone Clip-On: EPDM, Neoprene, Silicone Colors: High Minimums Apply

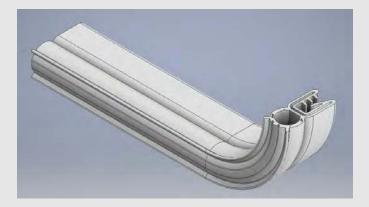




# **TOP BULBS**

Bulb seals are seals which can be made of various materials including EPDM, PVC, Dual durometer, etc. The bulb can be placed on the top of the seal or either side. In this case, the bulb is coextruded to the top of the seal. Bulb seals allow an edge to be covered, while having further gap reach for more challenging sealing applications. Bulb seals can be fastened to applications by being mounted, (via clip, push-in, or slide in) or adhesion via acrylic foam tape. Choose from our large selection of standard bulb seals or contact an engineer for a custom application today! We look forward to serving you!

*Note: Top Bulbs are restricted in most applications to the flange being perpendicular to the sealing surface and are only recommended to turn corners in the direction shown to the right.* 



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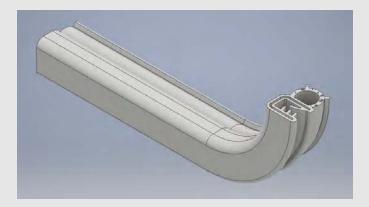




# **SIDE BULBS**

Bulb seals are seals which can be made of various materials including EPDM, PVC, Dual durometer, etc. The bulb can be placed on top or either side of the seal. In this case, the bulb is coextruded on the side of the seal. Bulb seals allow an edge to be covered, while having further gap reach for more challenging sealing applications. Bulb seals can be fastened to applications by being mounted, (via clip, push in, or slide in) or adhesion via acrylic foam tape. Choose from our large selection of standard bulb seals or contact an engineer for a custom application today! We look forward to serving you!

*Note: Side Bulbs are restricted in most applications to the flange being parallel to the sealing surface and are only recommended to turn corners in the direction shown to the right.* 



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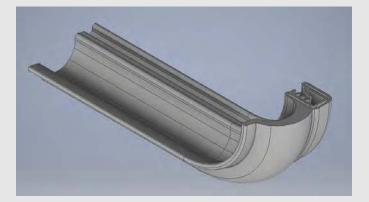




# WIPERS

A wiper seal is a specialty seal made from EPDM rubber or PVC. It creates a finished edge and seal which protects against weather and water damage. It is made by co-extruding an EPDM flap with dense edge trim and a wire carrier. A wiper seal can be used to create a soft seal on a slide-out room against a recreational vehicle (RV) and guard against water finding its way into the vehicle. Try one of our standard options or contact an engineer for a custom solution today! We look forward to serving you!

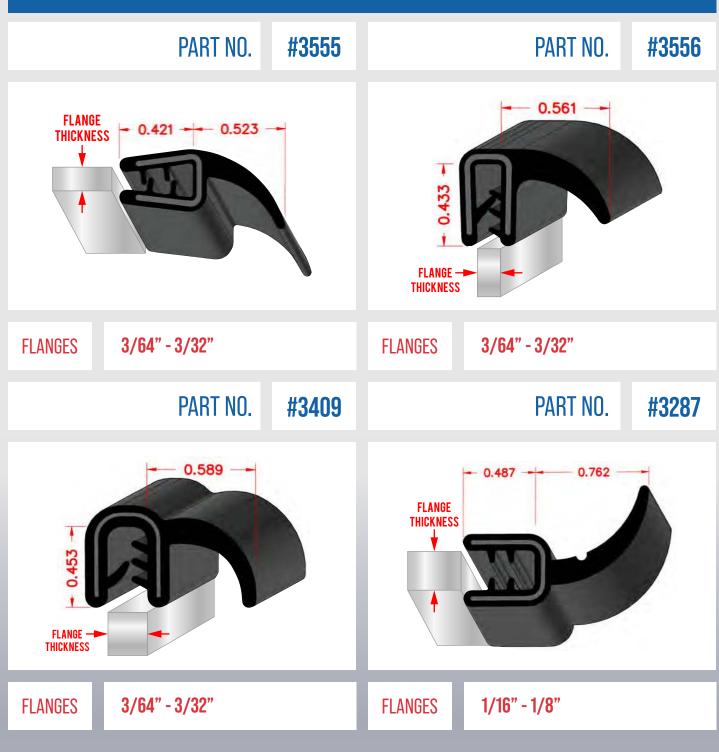
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## **DENSE EDGE**

Dense edge trim is a straight-forward product made from dense EPDM rubber or PVC which can be strengthened by a steel wire core/clip. Our dense edge trim provides a finished appearance and edge protection that protects people from injury and the equipment from damage. It is fastened by pressing it into place over the edge of a door, hatch, truck/tractor cab, and other machinery or equipment. Dense edge trim can also have adhesive injected into the channel. Choose from our wide selection of trim seals for your many sealing applications. Try one of our standard options or contact an engineer for a custom solution today! We look forward to serving you!

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### LOCKING CHANNEL

Our locking channels are EPDM window seals that function well in applications that are not exposed to gasoline, kerosene, oils, or other concentrated acids. Most of the time, locking channels are used in applications where there is a fixed window and body. These could include doors on trucks, cars, UTVs, or any other scenario that needs to hold windows in place on a metal or fiberglass body. Our locking channels are made with automotive grade EPDM and they are resistant to aging, oxygen, weather, sunlight, ozone, and acids. Try one of our standard options or contact an engineer for a custom solution today! We look forward to serving you!

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### **DUAL DUROMETER**

Dual durometer seams are made from EPDM rubber and they serve a plethora of applications. Dense EPDM is coextruded with sponge EPDM to provide a dense durable portion of the profile and a soft, sponge portion that provides excellent sealing capabilities. These can be fastened in multiple ways including, but not limited to; acrylic foam tape applied, "push-in" applications, and "slide in" applications. EPDM is resistant to ozone, weather, sunlight, aging, oxygen, and acids. Choose from our large selection of standard dual durometer seals or contact an engineer for a custom application today! We look forward to serving you!

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# SPONGE

We offer an extensive variety of sponge profiles to fit many applications. Sponge typically is referred to as a softer, closed cell, material. Sponge seals come in all shapes and sizes and are made of soft EPDM "Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer" Rubber. Sponge seals offer protection of sharp edges, sealing out the elements, and they improve the aesthetics of many projects. Sponge seals are typically fastened by pushing them into a channel, onto a flange, or through adhesion with acrylic foam tape. Choose from our large selection of standard sponge seals or contact an engineer for a custom application today! We look forward to serving you!

Note: See page 4 for adhesive and bonding

FS USA can add adhesive to many of our standard extrusions to accommodate applications where mechanical 'clamp-on' or 'push- in' seals are not suitable. Our adhesives can bind our extrusions to a variety of substrates. We offer two main types of standard adhesives. Acrylic Foam Tape is a heat activated automotive grade adhesive. This provides industry leading performance and bond strength to many different substrates. Acrylic Foam tape does require a 12–24hr dwell time to bond permanently to the application, which allows for flexibility in the installation.

Our rubber-based pressure sensitive adhesive is a great option for applications needing more initial tack. This will bond quickly but lacks in long term performance in comparison to the acrylic foam tape. This performs well in applications that are more static in nature.

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# SPONGE









# **EPDM EDGE**

EPDM stands for "Ethylene Propylene Diene Monomer" in which density can vary slightly. Our EPDM edge trims are a great solution for anyone looking to cover a sharp edge or improve aesthetics on any project. EPDM edge trims are fastened via "push in" or "push on" applications to more complicated engineered designs with clips and bulbs included. Choose from our large selection of standard EPDM edge trim seals or contact an engineer for a custom application today! We look forward to serving you!



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# **PVC EDGE**

PVC stands for "Polyvinyl Chloride." Our PVC edge trims are a great solution for anyone looking to cover a sharp edge or improve esthetics on any project. PVC edge trims can vary from simple "push in" or "push on" seals to more complicated engineered designs with clips and bulbs included. Choose from our large selection of standard PVC edge trim seals or contact an engineer for a custom application today! We look forward to serving you!



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## WHO WE ARE

#### **RELATIONSHIPS MATTER**

WE GREATLY VALUE RELATIONSHIPS AND THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO ADD VALUE TO OUR CUSTOMERS, TEAMMATES, VENDORS, AND FAMILY MEMBERS.

#### **GETTING THINGS DONE**

TRIM SEALS IS A TALENTED GROUP OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN LEADERS IN THE RUBBER AND PLASTICS INDUSTRY SINCE 1995.

TRIM SEALS HAS BECOME A PREFERRED SOURCE FOR MISSION CRITICAL EXTRUDED, DIE-CUT, AND MOLDED FLEXIBLE PRODUCT SOLUTIONS.



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DAVID JOSEPH Player/Business Development



JORDAN JOSEPH Marketing Specialist



RAY HAWLEY



PAUL BOWDEN Director of Leadership Developme



PHIL GUDIM Customer Relations Specialist



BECCA STOLARCZYK Customer Relations Specialist



JULIA NAGORSKI Customer Relations Specialist



COLLEEN STOMMES Customer Relations Specialist





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#### **FS USA** DIFFERENCE

1) A PARTNER IN APPLICATION SUPPORT AND ENGINEERING 2) PROUDLY MANUFACTURING IN THE USA

3) LARGEST STANDARD TOOLING CATALOG IN THE INDUSTRY

4) INDUSTRY LEADER IN QUALITY AND SERVICE

5) WE MANUFACTURE ALL TYPES OF EXTRUDED SOLUTIONS:

- RUBBER
- PLASTIC
- SINGLE DUROMETER
- MULTIPLE DUROMETER
- WIRE & METAL ENCAPSULATED
- FRAMING, GASKETING & FINISHING

6) IN HOUSE TOOLING SHOP
7) PRIVATELY HELD WITH ACTIVE MANAGEMENT
8) INDUSTRY LEADER IN SERVICE WITH OVER 20 YEARS TOGETHER
9) MULTIPLE SERVICE LOCATIONS OF MN, GA, IN & OH
10) WORLD WIDE COMPANY WITH U.S. FOCUS



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