

BIOGEAR XP RANGE



DESCRIPTION

BIOGEAR XP is a range of environmentally acceptable, high performance, extreme pressure (EP) gear oils based on fully saturated esters with a high degree of renewability.

APPLICATIONS

The BIOGEAR XP range is designed for use in sensitive marine environments, where there is potential for fluid loss to occur and has a high degree of renewability. Typical applications include thrusters, some CPP designs and deck equipment.

VGP

BIOGEAR XP and its components have been evaluated by independent laboratories. Using these test results, Vickers Oils has determined that it meets the VGP definition of an Environmentally Acceptable Lubricant.

FEATURES

- Designed for an exceptionally wide operating temperature range, protecting equipment from -25°C to over 100°C. A highly stable top-tier lubricant that provides superior oxidation protection under severe conditions. It is not prone to oxidative thickening thereby ensuring a longer service life.
- Does not contain viscosity index improvers and will therefore not shear down in use. It exhibits excellent water separation, extended fluid lifetime, high EP protection and low wear.
- Has good compatibility with common sealing materials including Nitrile and Viton®. Miscible with common mineral based gear oils, but old oils should be drained completely to avoid any risk of additive incompatibility.
- Has excellent demulsification properties and separates readily from any water entering the thruster allowing it to be removed from the unit in accordance with thruster OEM guidelines. It is recommended that water content should not exceed 1000ppm (0.1%).
- Achieves a biodegradability of > 60% in the 28-day OECD 301B test, and is considered non-toxic in the marine environment.

BENEFITS

- Exceptional anti-wear and resistance to micro-pitting.
- Excellent thermal stability.
- Superior oxidation resistance under severe conditions and not prone to oxidation thickening, ensuring a longer service life.
- Excellent water separation if contaminated due to excellent demulsification properties.
- Does not use viscosity index improvers and so will not shear down in service, resulting in an extended fluid life.

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PERFORMANCE DATA

Gear & Bearing Performance

Very good anti-wear performance in four ball wear and EP load / weld tests. Very good performance in the FZG Scuffing test (FLS14), FZG FVA 54 micropitting (LS=10, GFT high) and FE8 Bearing test.

Industrial Gear Standards

BIOGEAR XP meets all requirements of DIN 51517:3 (2018) type CLP lubricating oils and ANSI / AGMA 9005-F16.

Hydrolytic Stability

BIOGEAR XP grades show very good hydrolytic stability when compared to competing EALs. However, when used for prolonged periods in the presence of water, at medium to high temperatures, hydrolysis may occur. Therefore the use of a water separator is highly recommended when water is present.

Demulse / Water Separation

Very good water demulsification properties, ensuring easy water separation, if contaminated

Corrosion Protection

Shows good corrosion resistance to steel with salt and fresh water. Also, good corrosion resistance to Copper and Zinc, the common elements in yellow metal.

Foaming

Passes the foam test according to ASTM D892 and shows minimal foaming tendency in Flender foam test.

Oil Compatibility

Miscible with mineral oil and synthetic esters but, in accordance with best practice, it is recommended that the previous oil be fully drained and the system ideally flushed. Vickers do not recommend the mixing of oils.

Elastomer Compatibility

Compatible with standard NBR, HNBR and FKM seal elastomers. Compatible with PTFE and PU80 / PU90 polyurethane samples as tested, but testing of specific grades of polyurethane is advised.

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TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND PROPERTIES

BIOGEAR XP RANGE	XP 68	XP 100	XP 150	TEST METHOD
Appearance	Clear yellow	Clear yellow	Clear yellow	Visual
Viscosity @ 40°C (cSt)	68	100	150	ASTM D7042
Viscosity Index	143	139	138	ASTM D2270
Density @ 15°C (kg/l)	0.914	0.921	0.928	ASTM D4052
Pour Point (°C)	< - 30	< - 30	< - 30	ASTM D7346
Flash Point (COC) (°C)	> 200	> 200	> 200	ASTM D92
Shelf Life	5 years in original sealed containers stored out of direct sunlight			

BIOGEAR XP RANGE	XP 220	XP 320	XP 460	TEST METHOD
Appearance	Clear yellow	Clear yellow	Clear yellow	Visual
Viscosity @ 40°C (cSt)	220	320	460	ASTM D7042
Viscosity Index	155	160	165	ASTM D2270
Density @ 15°C (kg/l)	0.938	0.954	0.960	ASTM D4052
Pour Point (°C)	- 36	- 42	- 36	ASTM D7346
Flash Point (COC) (°C)	> 200	> 200	> 200	ASTM D92
Shelf Life	5 years in original sealed containers stored out of direct sunlight			

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