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## GATE VALVES

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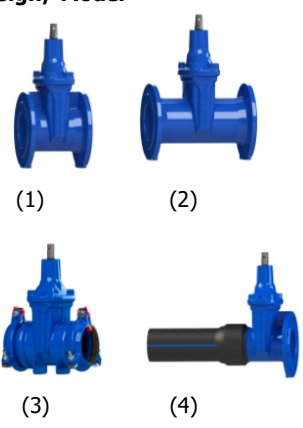
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## 1. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The soft sealing gate valve series Nexus from Fucoli-Somepal, is an isolation valve for fully open or fully closed service installed in pipelines and should not be used as a flow regulator. These valves can be used in drinking water or neutral water installations.

The service conditions must take into account the service temperature and pressure, which are specified in the product data sheets.

This product has at least the following mark:

	Marking	Observation
<b>Product manufacturer</b>	Fucoli-Somepal	See section 10 – Further information.
<b>Design/ Model</b> 	Three models: (1) Flanged soft sealing gate valve S14 Nexus (2) Flanged soft sealing gate valve S15 Nexus (3) Soft sealing gate valve PE/UPVC Nexus Blockplus (4) Soft sealing gate valve flange/PE spigot end Nexus	Identification according to the application of the product: Drinking water 01.110 (1), 01.210 (2), 01.410 (3) and 01.511 (4).
<b>Identification</b>	Lot/date/product code	Identified in the product itself. See section 1.3 – Product marks.
<b>Nominal diameter</b>	e.g. DN and numerical value	Numerical value for DN in [mm].
<b>Nominal pressure</b>	PN and numerical value	Numerical value for PN in bar.
<b>Working pressure range</b>	Operation pressure range PN and numerical value	See section 1.5 – Tightness tests. Pressure data is displayed as overpressure above atmospheric pressure.
<b>Service temperature</b>	Max. permitted temperature	See section 1.6 – Service temperature
<b>Material</b>	EN-GJS-500	Identification of the materials of the components in the technical datasheet. See section 1.2.
<b>Flow direction</b>	-	Bidirectional

**ATTENTION:** The markings should neither be covered, painted nor altered to remain identifiable.

### 1.1. PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The soft sealing gate valve series Nexus and Nexus Blockplus are designed according to EN 1171. The flanged valves have flange drilling according to EN 1092-2. The face-to-face are according EN 558 series 14 (ref. 01.110) and series 15 (ref. 01.210).

The soft sealing gate valves series Nexus are available for PN 10, PN 16 and available in DN according to table 1.



Flanged soft sealing gate valve S14 Nexus 01.110

Flanged soft sealing gate valve S15 Nexus 01.210

Soft sealing gate valve PE/uPVC Nexus Blockplus 01.410

Soft sealing gate valve flange/PE spigot end Nexus 01.511

Ref.	Product	PN	DN Dimensions						
			50	65	80	100	125	150	200
01.110	Flanged soft sealing gate valve S14 Nexus	10/16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
01.210	Flanged soft sealing gate valve S15 Nexus	10/16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
01.410	Soft sealing gate valve PE/uPVC Nexus Blockplus	10/16	63*	75*	90*	110*	125*	160*	200*
01.511	Soft sealing gate valve flange/PE spigot end Nexus	16	63*	75*	90*	110* 125*	-	160* 180*	200* 225*

\* Ø exterior do tubo

Table 1

### 1.2. COMPONENTS AND MATERIALS

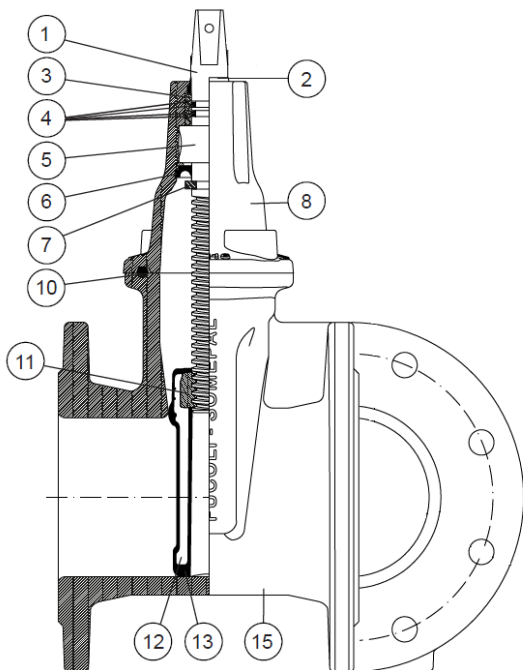


Figure 1

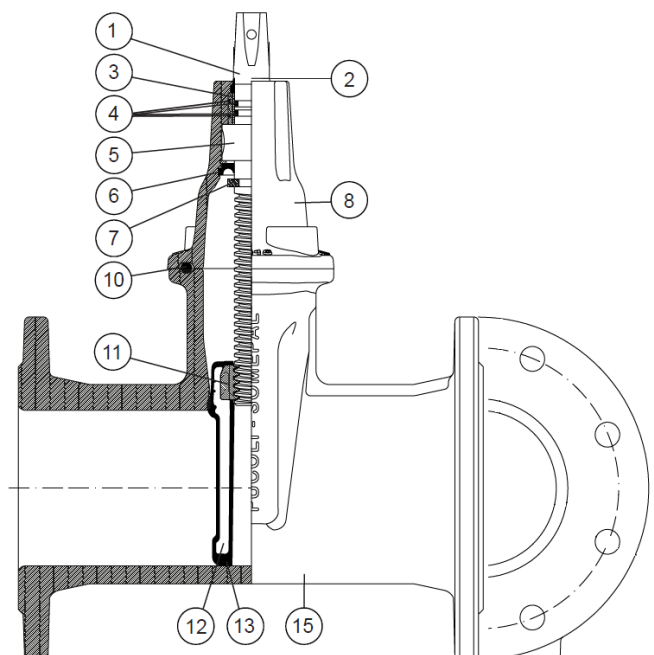


Figure 2

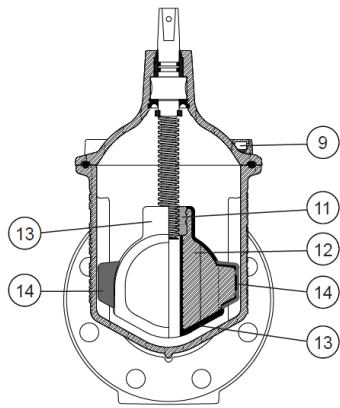


Figure 1 – Flanged soft sealing gate valve S14 Nexus [ref. 01.110]

Figure 2 – Flanged soft sealing gate valve S15 Nexus [ref. 01.210]

### Component list

pos.	components	material	standard
1	Stem	Stainless steel AISI 420	EN 10088 - 1
2	Clearing joint	Elastomer	
3	Bearing	POM	
4	O-rings	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1
5	Stem washer	Brass	EN 12164
6	Joint	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1
7	Wedge stop	Stainless steel AISI 420	EN 10088 - 1
8	Bonnet	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563

pos.	components	material	standard
9	Bolts	Stainless steel A2	EN 10088 - 1
10	Bonnet gasket	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1
11	Wedge nut	Brass	EN 12164
12	Wedge	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563
13	Wedge covering	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1
14	Wedge guide	Polyamide	
15	Body	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563

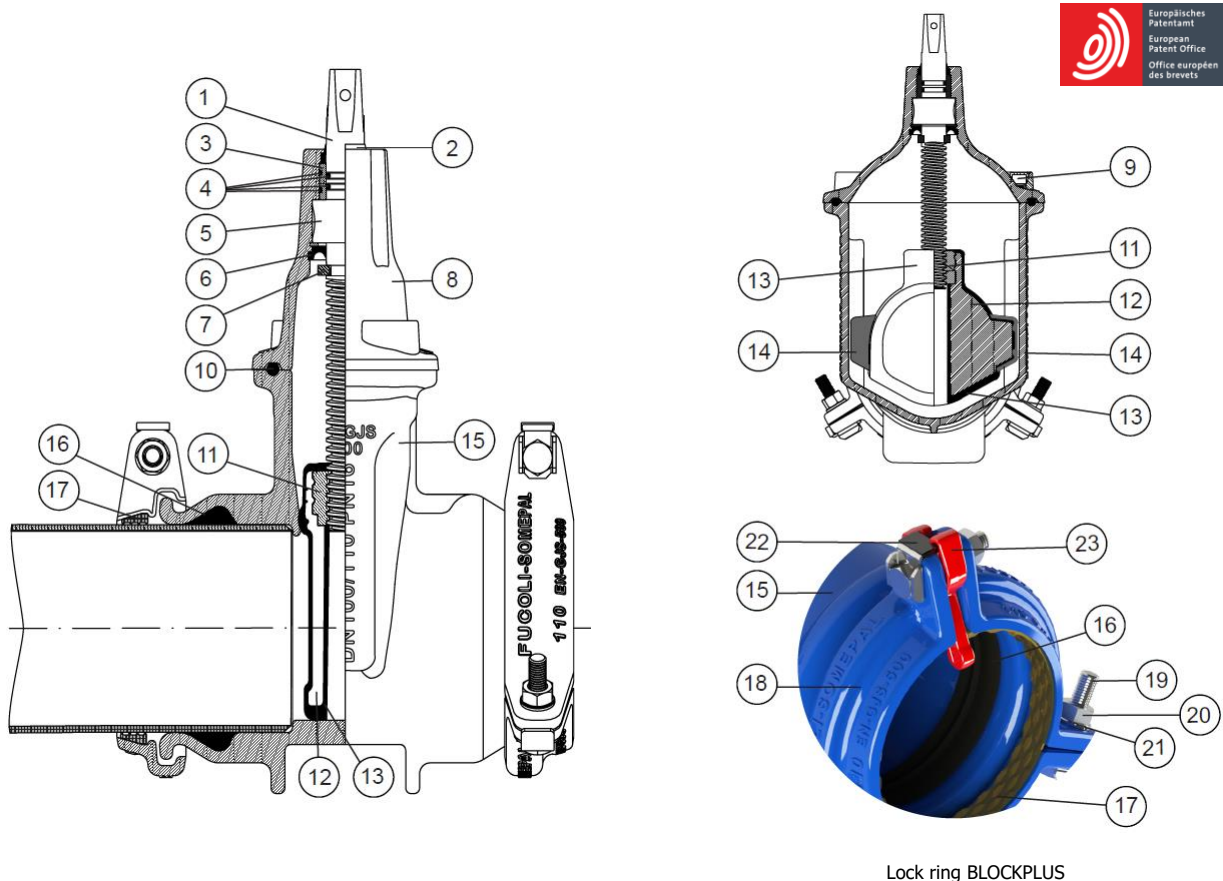


Figure 3 – Soft sealing gate valve PE/uPVC Nexus Blockplus [ref. 01.410]

### Component list

pos.	components	material	standard	pos.	components	material	standard
1	Stem	Stainless steel AISI 420	EN 10088 - 1	13	Wedge covering	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1
2	Clearing joint	Elastomer		14	Wedge guide	Polyamide	
3	Bearing	POM		15	Body	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563
4	O-rings	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1	16	Lip seal ring	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1
5	Stem washer	Brass	EN 12164	17	Grip ring	Brass	EN 1982
6	Joint	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1	18	Lock ring	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563
7	Wedge stop	Stainless steel AISI 420	EN 10088 - 1	19	Bolts	Stainless steel A2	EN 10088 - 1
8	Bonnet	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563	20	Nuts	Stainless steel A4	EN 10088 - 1
9	Bolts	Stainless steel A2	EN 10088 - 1	21	Washer	Stainless steel A2	EN 10088 - 1
10	Bonnet gasket	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1	22	Bolt head locking device	Stainless steel A2 with protection coating	EN 10088 - 1
11	Wedge nut	Brass	EN 12164	23	Stop tab	Polypropylene	
12	Wedge	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563				

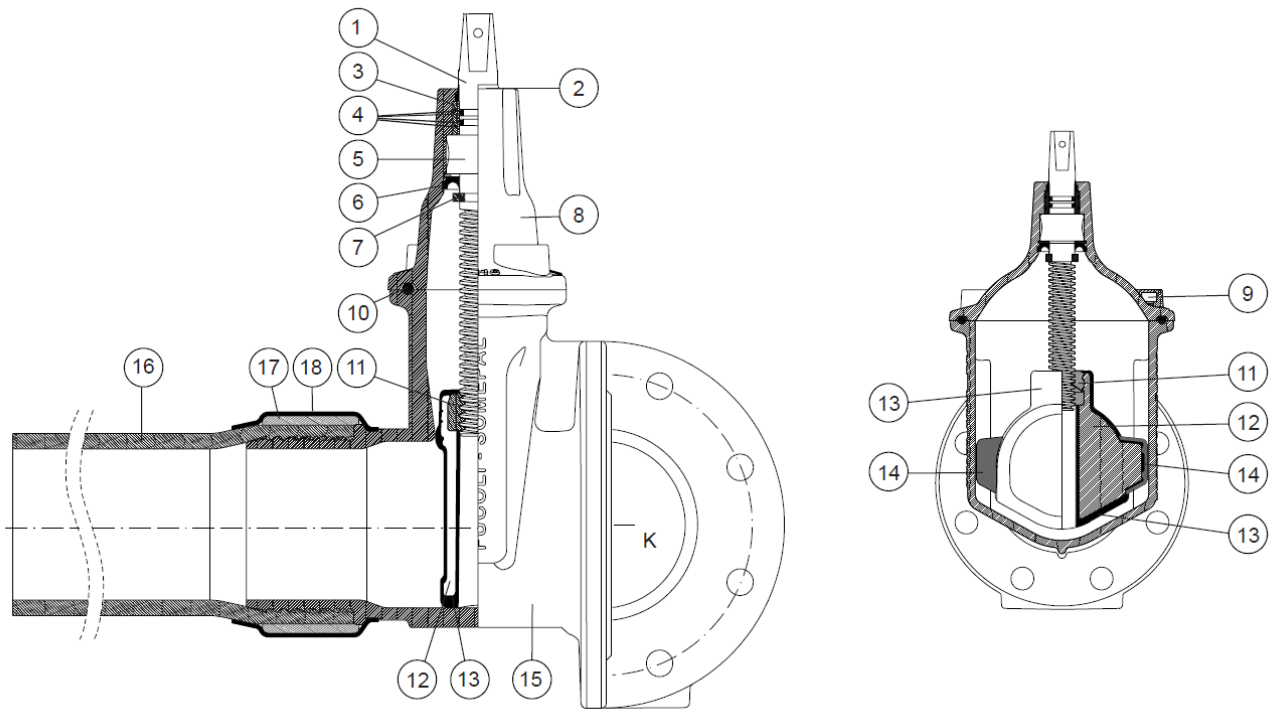


Figure 4 – Soft sealing gate valve flange/PE spigot end Nexus [ref. 01.511]

### Component list

pos.	components	material	standard	pos.	components	material	standard
1	Stem	Stainless steel AISI 420	EN 10088 - 1	10	Bonnet gasket	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1
2	Clearing joint	Elastomer		11	Wedge nut	Brass	EN 12164
3	Bearing	POM		12	Wedge	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563
4	O-rings	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1	13	Wedge covering	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1
5	Stem washer	Brass	EN 12164	14	Wedge guide	Polyamide	
6	Joint	Elastomer EPDM	EN 681 - 1	15	Body	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563
7	Wedge stop	Stainless steel AISI 420	EN 10088 - 1	16	Pipe	PE100 PN16 SDR11	EN 12201 - 2
8	Bonnet	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563	17	Sleeve	Ductile iron EN-GJS-500-7	EN 1563
9	Bolts	Stainless steel A2	EN 10088 - 1	18	Shrink hose	Plastic	

### 1.3. PRODUCT MARKS

- A – Lot / date / product code / EN 1074
- B – GSK coating certification mark
- C – Foundry lot identification mark (the location may vary depending on the DN)
- D – ACS potability certification mark

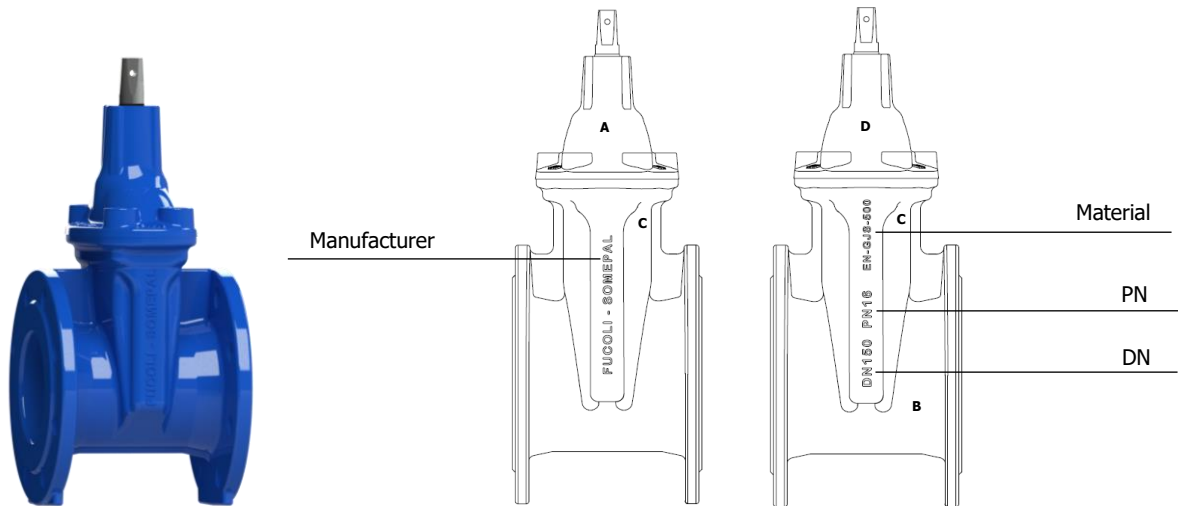


Figure 5 – Flanged soft sealing gate valve S14 Nexus [ref. 01.110]

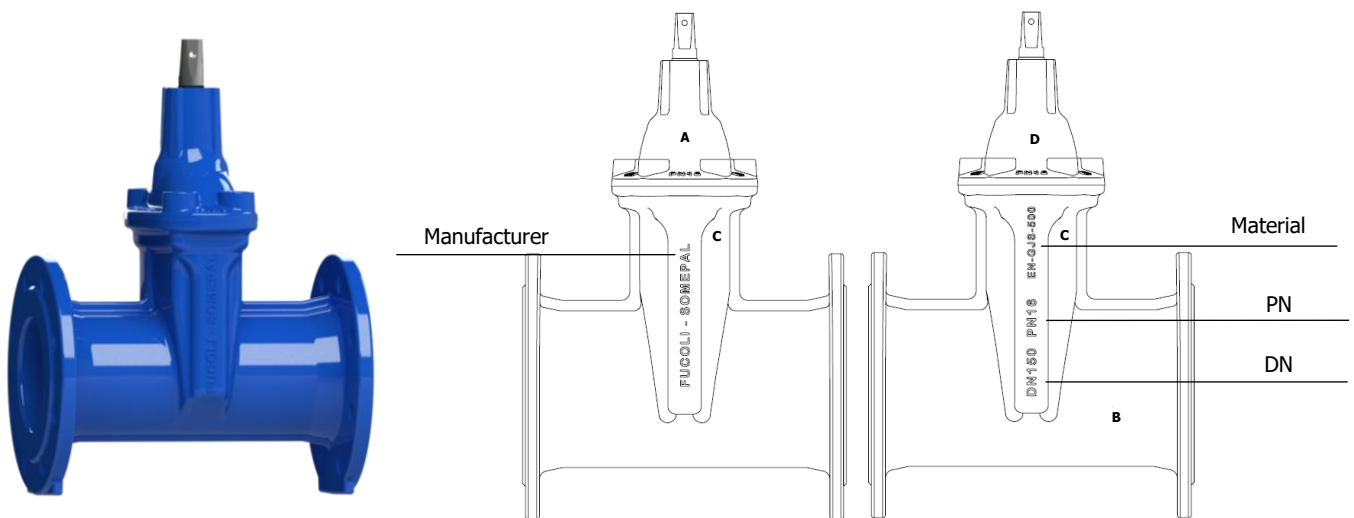


Figure 6 – Flanged soft sealing gate valve S15 Nexus [ref. 01.210]

- A – Lot / date / product code / EN 1074
- B – GSK coating certification mark
- C – Foundry lot identification mark (the localtion may vary depending on the DN)
- D – ACS potability certification mark

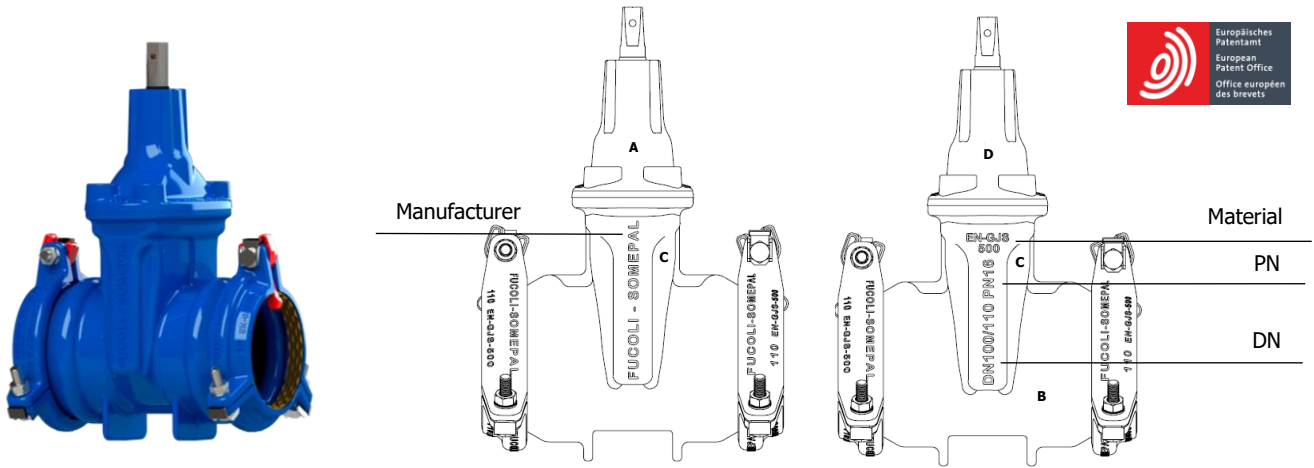


Figure 7 – Soft sealing gate valve PE/uPVC Nexus Blockplus [ref. 01.410]

- A – Lot / date / product code / EN 1074
- B – GSK coating certification mark
- C – Foundry lot identification mark (the localtion may vary depending on the DN)

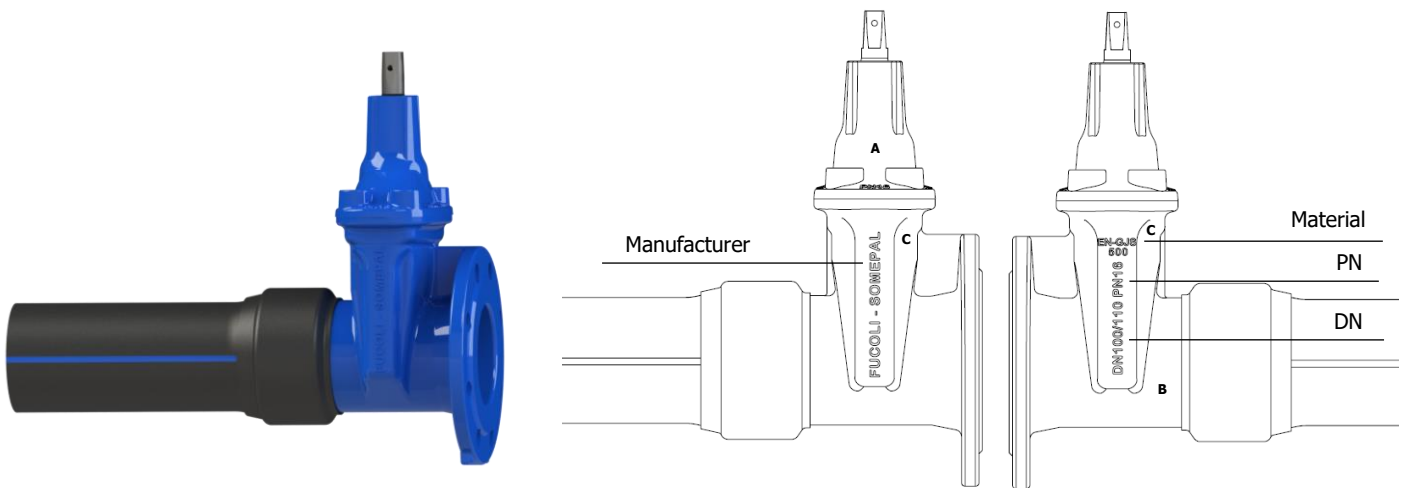


Figure 8 – Soft sealing gate valve flange/PE spigot end Nexus [ref. 01.511]



#### 1.4. DIMENSIONAL FEATURES

The dimensional characteristics referred to in the standards EN 1171 (design), DIN EN 1092-2 (flange drilling), EN 558 (face-to-face) can be found in the technical sheets of each model/ type of valve.

##### FLANGED SOFT SEALING GATE VALVE S14 NEXUS

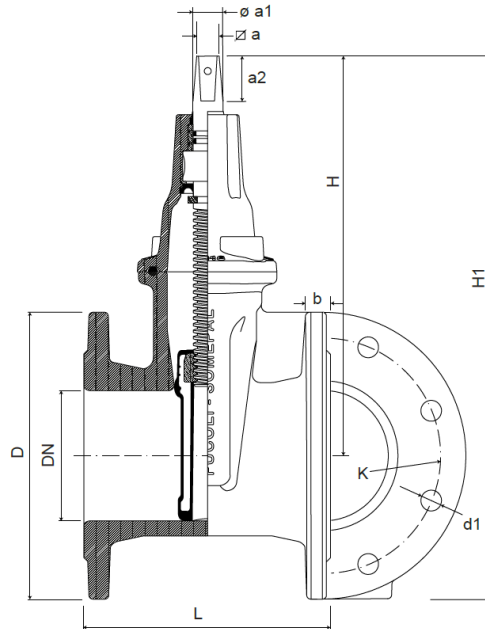


Figure 9

Check the datasheet flanged soft sealing gate valve S14 series NEXUS [ref.01.110] for the product references and dimensions.

##### FLANGED SOFT SEALING GATE VALVE S15 NEXUS

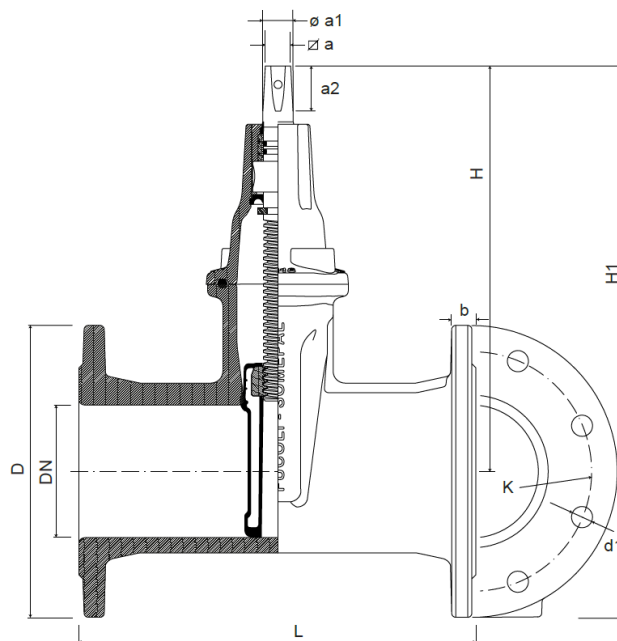


Figure 10

Check the datasheet flanged soft sealing gate valve S15 series NEXUS [ref.01.210] for the product references and dimensions.

**SOFT SEALING GATE VALVE PE/UPVC NEXUS BLOCKPLUS**

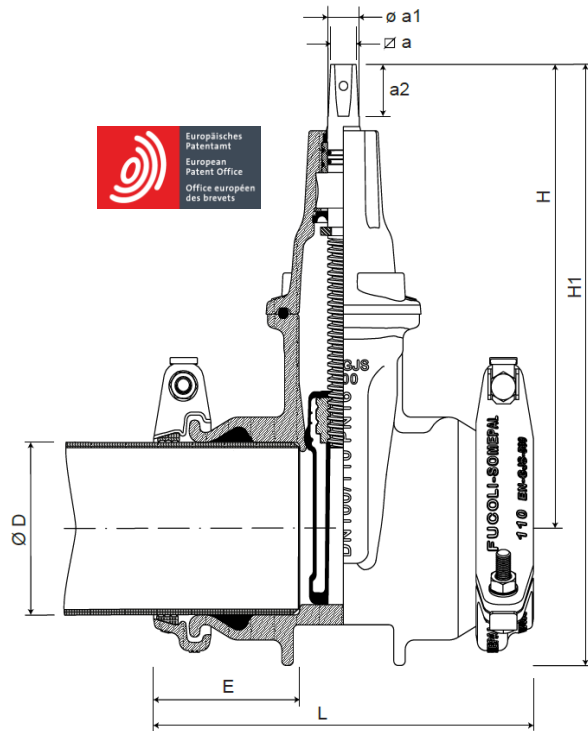


Figure 11

Check the datasheet soft sealing gate valve with restrain system for PE and uPVC pipes series NEXUS BLOCKPLUS [ref.01.410] for the product references and dimensions.

**SOFT SEALING GATE VALVE FLANGE/PE SPIGOT END NEXUS [ref. 01.511]**

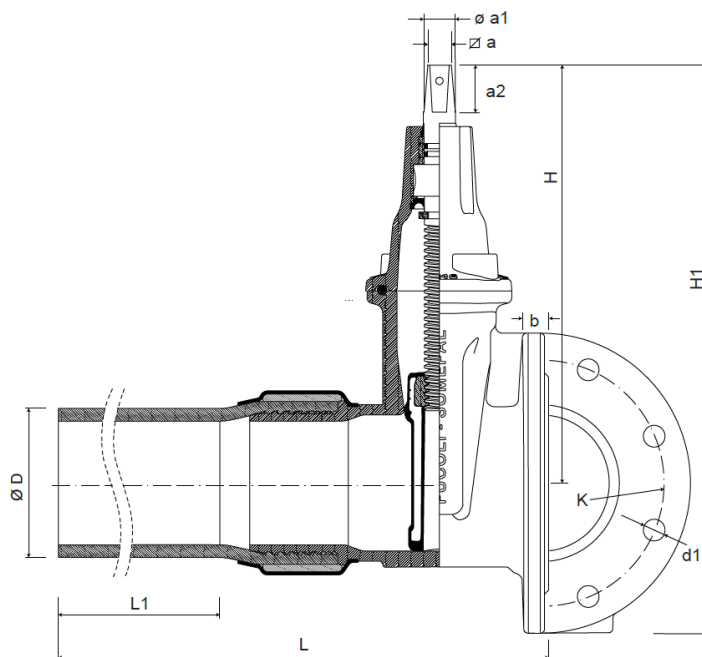


Figure 12

Check the datasheet soft sealing gate valve series NEXUS with flange/PE pipe spigot end [ref.01.511] for the product references and dimensions.

### 1.5. TIGHTNESS TESTS

All the valves, without exception, are individually tested at factory, according to standard EN 1074-1/2 e EN 12266:

- Seal:
  - High pressure: 1.1 x PN (bar)
  - Low pressure: 0.5 (bar)
- Body: 1.5 x PN (bar)
- Operatin torque set

### 1.6. SERVICE TEMPERATURE

Ref.	Product	Service temperature
01.110	Flanged soft sealing gate valve S14 Nexus	from 0°C (excluding frost) to 70°C
01.210	Flanged soft sealing gate valve S15 Nexus	from 0°C (excluding frost) to 70°C
01.410	Soft sealing gate valve PE/uPVC Nexus Blockplus	from 0°C (excluding frost) to 70°C
01.511	Soft sealing gate valve flange/PE spigot end Nexus	from 0°C (excluding frost) to 40°C

### 1.7. MAXIMUM FLUID SPEED

The soft sealing gate valves Nexus are designed to work at maximum speed according to table 2.

PFA bar	Speed
10	3 meters/second
16	4 meters/second

Table 2 – Maximum fluid speed

### 1.8. APPROVAL OF MATERIALS

The valve Nexus have the following homologation – table 3.

Approvals	Entity
COATING (Approved for drinking water)	BRL – K759 (Netherlands)
	BS6920 – 1 (United Kingdom)
	ACS (France)
ELASTOMERS	WITH CE MARKING, homologated according to EN 681-1 standard
	DVGW – W270 (Germany)

Table 3 – Approval of materials

## 1.9. CERTIFICATIONS

### CERTIFICATIONS ACCORDING EN 1074

Valves for water supply

Ref.	Product	AENOR Spain
01.110	Flanged soft sealing gate valve S14 Nexus	PN 10/16
01.210	Flanged soft sealing gate valve S15 Nexus	PN 10/16
01.410	Soft sealing gate valve PE/uPVC Nexus Blockplus	PN 10/16
01.511	Soft sealing gate valve flange/PE spigot end Nexus	PN 16

#### CERTIFICATIONS SYMBOLS ON THE VALVE BODY



#### POTABILITY CERTIFICATIONS

All range of soft sealing gate valves have the ACS certification (Attestation of Sanitary Conformity) issued by Eurofins, this certification ensures that the materials used are approved for contact with potable water.

#### CERTIFICATIONS SYMBOLS ON THE VALVE BODY



#### COATING CERTIFICATIONS

All range of soft sealing gate valves have the GSK certification, that ensure na excelente corrosion protection with epoxy poder coating resin.

#### GSK CERTIFICATION SYMBOL ON THE VALVE BODY



## 2. POTENCIAL RISK IDENTIFICATION

During the development of the product, no use risks were identified. In commercialization and after sales assistance, no risks were encountered in assembly and operation.

## 3. BASIC INSTRUCTION FOR SAFETY

### 3.1. USED ADVICE

Ensure that all health and safety regulations are being applied on the system which this product is being installed. The following requirements identified below are no responsibility of the manufacturer, but have to be guaranteed by the user:

1. The product may only be used for purposes described in section 1.
2. The installation must be carried out by competent and trained person using the appropriate equipment. The main contractor must guarantee that any operators or subcontractors involved in the installation are properly competent to carry out the work. The installer shall assure that all equipment used during the installation is properly maintained, suitable for safe installation and will not cause any damage to the product.
3. Whenever the products are installed, operated or maneuvered, the risks inherent in the pressurizing of liquids or gases must all be taken into account. The coupling must be fully insulated, depressurized and drained before starting the work.
4. The system must be designed properly so that the product is not in tension.
5. The Fucoli-Somepal products are designed to be suitable for their purpose and to high standard of reliability, providing a safe and low risk product when used correctly for the purpose for which it was designed.

The Fucoli-Somepal cannot be held responsible for incidents involving installation, operation or incorrect maintenance. In this way the responsibility will be entirely on the user.

### 3.2. HANDLING HAZARDS

Operators must comply with the rules defined at the intervention place.

In addition to the defined, during maintenance operations, of the product or other elements where the product is installed, it is necessary to always comply with the safety rules, taking into account the risk of falling with a drop in the use of this type of products, seeking to delimit the dangerous area and allowing only access to operators who know the risks.

During handling the product, always use the following personal protective equipment:



Protection gloves



Steel-tipped boots

You can prevent situations associated with the risk of product fall during handling

When moving the product manually, if the weight of the product exceeds 30 Kg, you must carry out with more than one operator.

Those involved in assembly/disassembly operations, utilization, inspection and maintenance must have read and understood this installation manual.

### 3.3. PRODUCT CHANGE

Before any modification and/or alteration to the product, carried out by the user, Fucoli-Somepal SA should be asked about it in order to give its approval. Otherwise, the warranty becomes invalid.

## 4. TRANSPORTATION

The valve should be handled, transported and stored with care. The load should be placed gently on the floor without dropping, avoiding shocks. Raise only by suitable straps.

When mechanical means are required for lifting and handling the valve, they must be appropriate and applied as shown in figure 13.

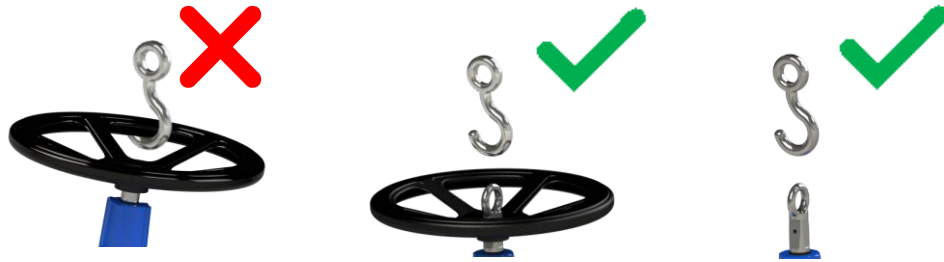


Figure 13

**ATTENTION:** Handwheels should not be used as lifting points for the valves.

## 5. STORAGE

Under no circumstance should the valve be stored outdoors, to avoid damage caused by environmental conditions. The valve must not come into contact with any contaminants before installation.

Climate protection must be provided. Ideally, valves should be stored in a location that protects the equipment from direct exposure to sunlight and freezing.

If the valve is stored for a long time, it is recommended to inspected before use.

Make sure that the seals are not compressed during storage.

**NOTE:** ISO 2230 describes the storage conditions for elastomers in detail and specifies the permissible storage period.

## 6. INSTALLATION

Before installation, operators must ensure that the pipework is free of debris and the equipment is in proper condition. If debris are found disposed of them.

**ATTENTION:** Prior to installation make sure the pipes are cleaned of all debris.

It is very important that the sealing of the valve is protected from dust and debris during the installation process, avoiding non-compliant sealing.

**WARNING:** Before installation, make sure that all pressurized lines involved in the installation are insulated, depressured and drained before starting any work.

It is the responsibility of the user to ensure that the fluid is clean and free of rubbish before installing the valve. This operation may limit or for concerned the valve seal if this operation is not performed the valve sealing may be limite or hindered.

During the installation of the valve, it is necessary procedures must be taken into account to ensure that it is aligned with the pipeline/fitting, in order to avoid any tension load that may act on the valve body.

Pay special attention to the stem, sealing area, flanges and coating. If you notice defects such as out-of-place parts, knocks, scratches or other defects, actions must be taken to repair and correct them.

It is recommended installing the vertical or 90° angles – figure 14. We do not recommend installing the valve in the upside down position – figure 15.

### VALVE INSTALLATION POSITION



Figure 14

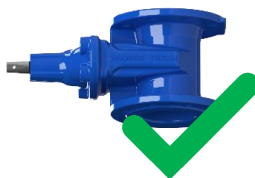


Figure 15

Fucoli-Somepal's Nexus valves can be supplied for different types of connections. The use of flange or socket ends will depend on the type of connection the customer chooses.

### FLANGED VALVE

The tightening of the flange bolts must be carried out crosswise and in the sequence shown according to figure 16. The recommended tightening torques are those referred to in table 4, which must be in accordance with those recommended by the manufacturers and screw suppliers. We advise to ensure the alignment of the flanges to ensure uniform pressure.

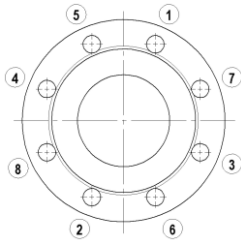


Figure 16 and Table 4


DN	Bolts		Flange Torque (max.)	
	PN 10	PN 16	PN 10	PN 16
40	M16		45NM	60NM
50				
65				
80				
100				
125				
150	M20		70NM	90NM
200				

The soft sealing gate valve flange/PE spigot end Nexus [ref.01.511] has a pipe PE100 PN16 SDR11 at its extremity to be joined by electro welding, top welding or mechanical coupling like multimaterials coupling with GFIX system [ref. 08.400] or socket color PE/uPVC Blockplus [ref. 10.2100].

### SOCKET ENDS VALVE

The soft sealing gate valve PE/uPVC Nexus Blockplus [ref. 01.410] must be installed according to the following installation instruction.

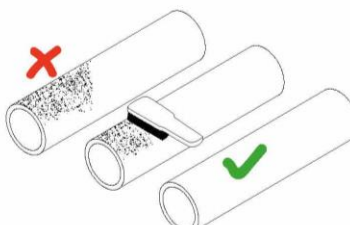
#### 6.1 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION



## SYSTEM BLOCKPLUS

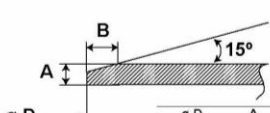
### INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION

**PIPE PREPARATION**



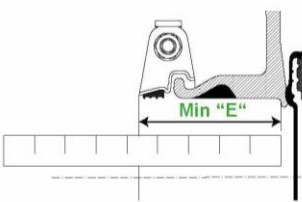
**1. Clean the pipe**

DN	Min. "E" mm
DN 50	86
DN 65	94
DN 80	97
DN 100	102
DN 125	108
DN 150	125
DN 200	138

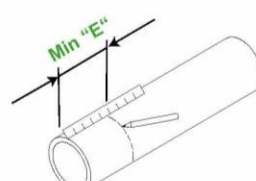


**2. Chamfer the pipe**

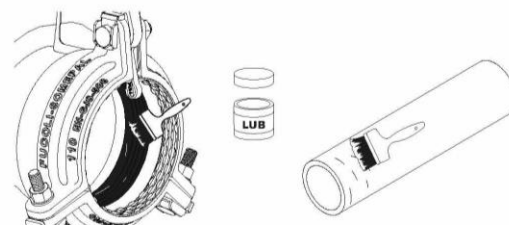
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40 - 63	2,5	10
160 - 180	4	6
200	5	20



**3. See tube insertion depth (E) in product**




**4. Mark the insertion depth (E) in the tube**




**5. Lubricate the lip seal ring and pipe. Don't use oil**

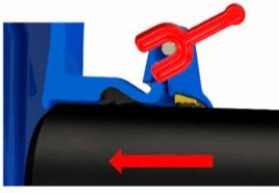
**ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS**




1. Loose the screws




2. Raise the stop tab




3. Insert the pipe until the stop




4. Removing the stop tab




5. Tight the locking system

Bolt		Torque
50 / 63	M10	17 mm
65 / 75		
80 / 90		
100 / 110		
125 / 125		
150 / 160	M12	19 mm
200 / 200		50 - 70 Nm

**DISMANTLING INSTRUCTIONS**



1. Loose the screws



2. Remove the pipe

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Figure 17 – Installation instruction system Blockplus 03/2019 PT

## 7. HANDLING

The valves handling and installation must be carried out by qualified person, complying with existing local, national or international regulations.

The gate valve must be handled/maneuvered in the diferente models and diameters, through handwheel (installed in chambers or overhead installations), stem cap or extension spindle (installed underground) – figure 18.

When installing the extension spindle, please note, that there are no vertical forces on the square bar that are transmitted to the valve. It must be supported, supporting the weight and other force to the wall, preventing them from being transmtted to the valve.

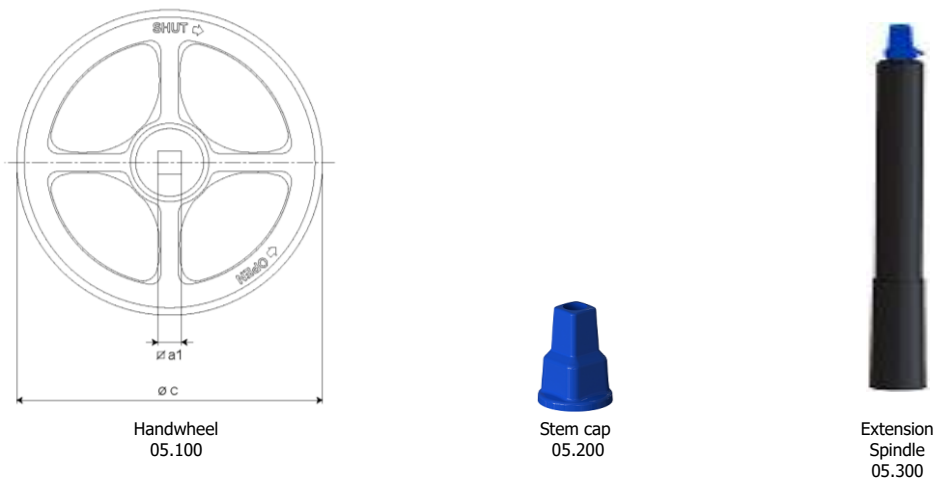


Figure 18



Diameter of the handwheels to operate the valve:

DN	code	Ø C mm	Ø a1 mm
50	10709511	150	14
65 / 80	10709520	200	17
100	10709525	250	19
125 / 150	10709531	300	19
200	10709540	400	24

Table 5 – Handwheel datasheet [ref. 05.100]

The operation of the gate valves are performed by rotating the stem. Turning the valve stem, the wedge moves up or down in the threaded área of the stem. The valves Nexus are designed to be self-cleaning, due to their unimpeded and direct passage.

The soft sealing gate valve Nexus have a bidirectional flow, supplied as standard with clokwise closing direction (CTC). At the request of the customer it can be supplied with the anti-clockwise closing direction (CTO).

After the valve reaches the fully open position, it is recommended to slightly rotate the stem in the valve's closing direction to remove any tension on the spindle and nut threads.

During the closing operation, ensure that the closing torque and the number of turns are adequate. See table 6.

DN	Closing torque		Turns to open
	EN 1074 – 1/2	NEXUS	
50	50	25	13
65	65	35	14
80	80	35	16
100	100	40	20
125	125	50	25
150	150	70	30
200	200	80	40

Table 6 – Operating torque [ET 355-1]

The flanged models S14 and S15 can also be supplied with an open/close indicator – figure 19 or an open/close indicator and limit switch figure 20.



Figura 19



Figura 20

## 8. MAINTENANCE

Due to their design and the materials, the soft sealing gate vale Nexus does not require any mandatory periodic maintenance, however, because conditions may vary from installation to installation, it is recommended that they be operated (opening and closing cycles) once a year in order to guarantee perfect operation. Consequently, no replacement or repair componentes are needed.

However, if replacement are required for maintenance or repair, only original Fucoli-Somepal componentes may be used. We are not responsible for damage caused by componentes/spare parts that are not Fucoli-Somepal origin.

## 9. PRESSURE TESTING

After installation perform a pressure test before the trench is closed, inspecting the connections. Secure the pipe and gate valve are correctly installed and without any movements. Ensure that the pipeline and valve arte drained to prevent frost damage.

The soft sealing gate valve Nexus are designed to resiste a test pressure of 1.5 x PN.

## 10. FURTHER INFORMATION

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