# Knife Gate Valve Designs, Applications and Installations

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### Why use a knife gate valve?

Simply need isolation

Solids particulates in the media

Compact face to face

Cost effective for high alloys

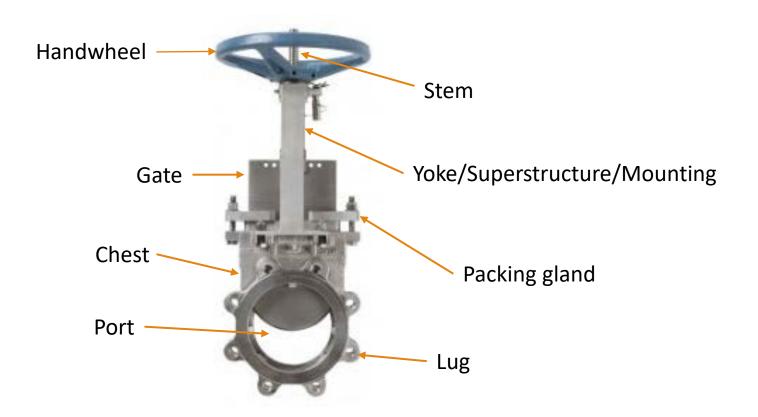
Low head loss

#### Knife Gate Standards

**MSS-SP-81** = Standard Practice covers all stainless-steel or stainless-steel-lined, cast, or fabricated bonnetless, knife gate valves with flanged ends from size NPS 2 (DN 50) through NPS 36 (DN 900)

**MSS-SP-151**= This Standard Practice establishes requirements and acceptance criteria for shell and seat closure pressure testing of resilient, non-metallic (e.g. ceramic), and metal-to-metal seated knife gate valves of all types.

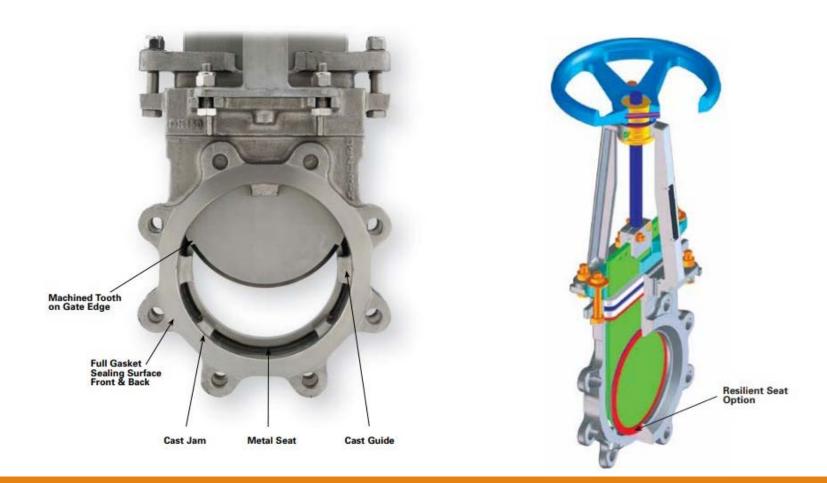
#### Knife Gate Part Terminology



### Knife Gate Designs

#### Unidirectional

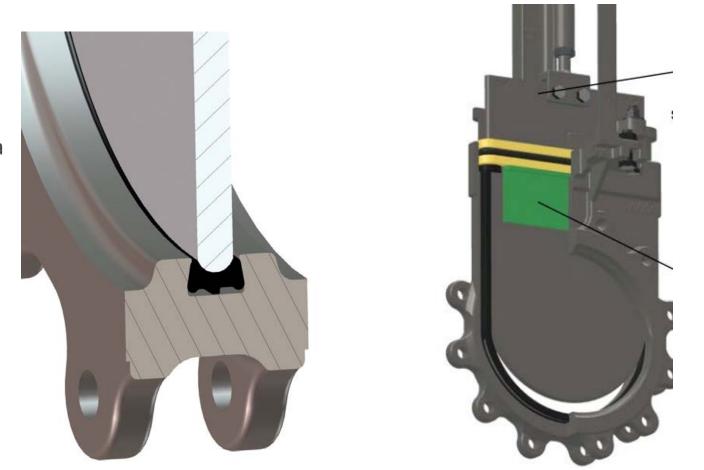
- Metal or resilient seated
- Pressure assisted sealing
- Jams assist in sealing
- Potential guides for gate



### Knife Gate Designs

#### Bidirectional

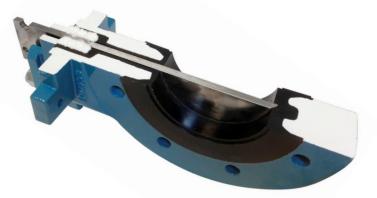
- Resilient seated
- Actuator force sealing
- Normally not used on dry media



#### Knife Gate Designs

#### **Urethane Lined**

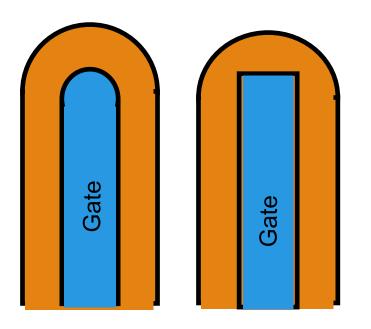
- Bidirectional
- Urethane should line entire valve
- Good for abrasive applications
- Multiple urethanes for different chemicals



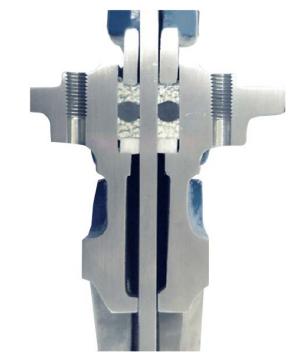


# Packing Design

- Gate edge to match packing chamber profile
  - Reduces pinch point of packing
  - Improves packing life



- Machined/Smooth packing chamber for uniform sealing of packing
- Anti-extrusion piece and energizing ring improve packing performance



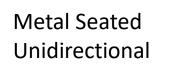
### Knife Gate Applications

Machined Toot on Gate Edge

> Full Gasket / Sealing Surface Front & Back

#### Pulp and Paper

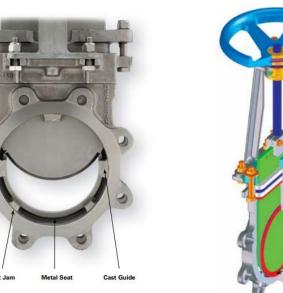
- Pump isolation
- 3-4% Pulp stock
- Tight shut off not necessary

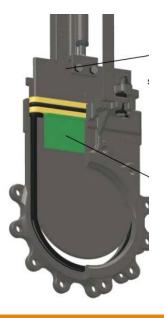


Resilient Seated Unidirectional

**Resilient Seat** 

Resilient Seated Bidirectional





## Knife Gate Applications

Liquid slurry and pneumatically conveyed dry material

- Pump isolation
- Hopper bottom isolation
- Drip tight or air tight seal is key

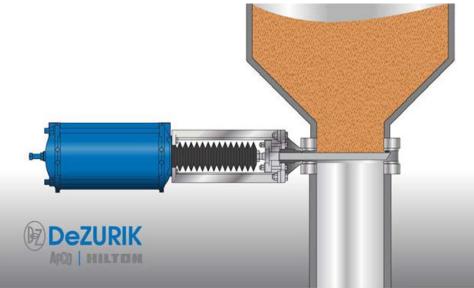


### Knife Gate Applications

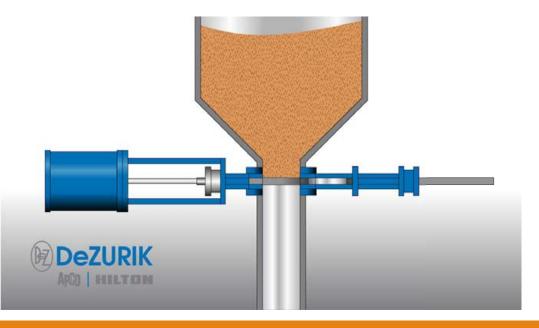
Dry material gravity flow

• Material shutoff required

If non-standing static column standard knife gate can be used installed **SEAT UP**.



If static standing column o-port gate should be used.



#### Knife Gate Application Guide



This sheet is created to help guide our product selection to meet your application requirements

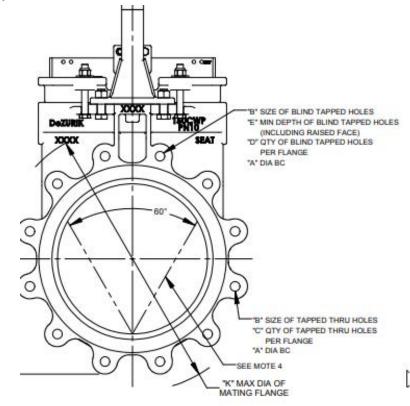
Valve Requirements									
Size	Quantity		Delivery D	ate Required					
Mating Flanges	Face to		Shut Off		Valve us		Operatio		
AS 2129 C,D,E		MSS SP 81		MSS SP 81		On/Off/ Isolation		Hand wheel	
ANSI B16.5 #150		MSS SP 135		Class III		Throttling		Bevel Gear	
ANSI B16.5 #300		ANSI B16.1		Class IV		Divert		Air Cylinder	
DIN 10 or 16		Slurry Valve Long		Class V		Hot Tap		Hydraulic Cylinder	r
PN 10 or 16		Slurry Valve Short		Vacuum		Other		Electric Motor	
Flat Face		Other		Bubble Tight				Other	
Other		•		Other				-	
Please explain Others from above:									
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Characteristics of Med			,		Other Media	Consideratio	ns:		
M	lax. CVP		Max Delta						
	ax. Temp.		Min. Temp						
,	Solids		One Way F	Flow					
Two	Vay Flow		Min Flow						
M	Max. Flow Norm Flow		w						
Velocity		Viscosity		Chemical make up of media:					
	GPM		SCFM						
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Additional Questions:									
Will the valve be required to close through a static column of material?									
Yes No					Media: (As compl	letely as possible	, describe ti	he inherent conditio	ons of
Valve normally				ercentages of solid					
	Open				particle size, cons	istency, is media	sticky, hard	l, subject to caking	eto.)
Temperature Number of oyoles per:								Pressure Require	ment
Are maximum temperature co	nditions				Year		Month		Maximum
Constant	Fluctuating		Spikes		Week		Day		Minimum
Duration of spike				1	Hour		Minute		
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Current & Previous Products Used									
What product is currently installed in this application? Others used?									
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					Name				
					Company				
					Site/Industry				
Describe the biggest problem you have with your present application				1	Address				
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### Knife Gate Installations

Confirm bolt/stud length for valve

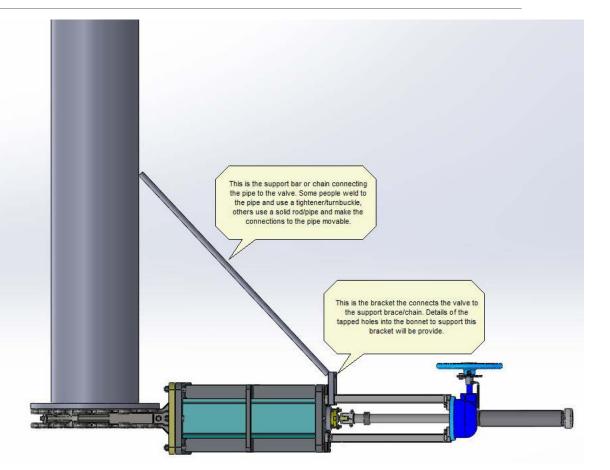


 Confirm correct bolt torque when installing valve in pipeline



#### Knife Gate Installations

• If valve is more than one bolt hole from vertical actuator supports are recommended.



#### Any Questions?