



## **Stability Meets Versatility: Explore RPM's Guide To Sandwich Mounts**

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RPM Industrial Rubber Parts announces the release of an extensive guide dedicated to rubber sandwich mounts, the critical components that ensure stability and vibration isolation in industrial machinery. As industries seek reliable solutions to enhance equipment longevity and protect sensitive operations, RPM's comprehensive examination of sandwich mount design, function, and applications provides invaluable insight for engineers, maintenance teams, and procurement specialists alike. With a deep history of expertise in vibration control products, RPM offers a clear understanding of why vibration dampening sandwich mounts from RPM remain the standard for industrial shock absorption.

Rubber sandwich mounts are ingeniously simple yet remarkably effective solutions consisting primarily of rubber polymers bonded between metal plates or studs. This construction allows these mounts to absorb shock and isolate vibrations, preventing damage to machinery and improving operational efficiency. With operating environments ranging from manufacturing plants to transportation systems, the presence of excessive vibration poses a serious threat to equipment integrity and workplace safety. The functionality of these large sandwich mounts addresses such challenges by reducing the energy transmitted through structures and machinery.

The versatility of rubber sandwich mounts lies in their ability to perform under demanding conditions. They accommodate static load capacities up to 7,000 pounds, making them suitable for heavy machinery across a variety of industrial sectors. This impressive strength endows operators with confidence in the mounts' durability and load-bearing performance, ensuring that machines remain securely positioned even amidst vigorous vibrations and shocks. Notably, their robust yet maintenance-free design affords a long lifespan without the need for costly upkeep or frequent replacements.

RPM's flex bolt sandwich mounts utilize a reliable metal-to-rubber bonding process, fusing elastomeric materials to steel, aluminum, or stainless steel backing plates and studs. This bonding contributes to superior durability, enabling the mounts to withstand continuous vibration cycles and mechanical stresses while maintaining their performance characteristics. Additionally, the careful choice of rubber compounds—ranging from natural rubber's excellent fatigue resistance to silicone's enhanced temperature tolerance, and neoprene's abrasion and chemical resistance—allows RPM to tailor solutions for specific environmental and operational requirements.

Recognizing the importance of customized solutions, RPM's guide explores various sandwich mount types, including bobbin-style mounts, large shear mounts, square pad mounts, and specialized options like the LORD Flex-Bolt® Sandwich Mounts. Each design adapts the fundamental sandwich mount principle to optimize application-specific performance. For instance, large shear mounts feature two metal plates sandwiching a cylindrical rubber element, ideal for machinery subject to multidirectional forces, while bobbin mounts offer compact solutions for tighter installation spaces.

Beyond just reducing vibration, rubber sandwich mounts serve as pivotal elements in protecting machine components from fatigue and wear caused by continual shocks, thereby enhancing machinery uptime and reducing overall costs related to equipment failure. They also contribute to quieter operations and safer workplaces by minimizing vibrations transmitted to floors and surrounding structures, which can otherwise compromise operator comfort or lead to secondary damage in connected systems.

Mike McNeil, Vice President of RPM Industrial Rubber Parts, emphasized the company's commitment to quality and education: "Understanding the crucial role that sandwich mounts play in industrial vibration control is key to making informed decisions that ensure reliability and safety. Our comprehensive guide is designed to empower technicians and engineers with the knowledge necessary to select the right configuration and materials for their unique needs. We believe that when stability meets versatility, operational excellence follows."

The guide also delves into practical considerations for installation, noting that the streamlined engineering of sandwich mounts facilitates rapid and straightforward mounting procedures. This simplicity translates into

reduced downtime during equipment assembly or maintenance, offering tangible benefits to operational efficiency and workflow continuity. Furthermore, RPM reinforces that because these mounts require no ongoing maintenance, they represent a cost-effective choice over the equipment's lifecycle.

Applications of rubber sandwich mounts extend across numerous industries including manufacturing, automotive assembly, HVAC systems, power generation, and material handling. In settings where precision is paramount, such as electronic equipment or sensitive instrumentation, these mounts play a vital role in preserving calibration by isolating structural vibrations. Simultaneously, in tougher environments, their resistance to oils, chemicals, and temperature extremes ensures consistent performance.

RPM's guide highlights the ongoing advancements in material science and bonding technology that continue to enhance the capabilities of rubber sandwich mounts. Innovations in silicone formulations, for example, have increased resistance to heat and vibration fatigue, making mounts viable for even more challenging applications. Similarly, improvements in metal fabrication contribute to optimized load distribution and mounting stability.

For those seeking expert advice or assistance with sandwich mount material selection and specifications, RPM Industrial Rubber Parts encourages reaching out to its technical support team. With decades of experience supporting industrial vibration control needs, RPM remains a trusted partner for sourcing durable, effective vibration dampening sandwich mounts from RPM tailored to the exact demands of modern machinery.

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