

Building Our Journey Together

Innovative Products For Our Customers



Agenda



- > FXI Overview
- Core Competencies
- Functional Expertise and Applications
- Fundamentals of Polyurethane Foam
- Development Process
- > Summary



About FXI



- For over 60 years, FXI has led our industry forward, pioneering greater innovations and more applications for our amazing material.
- Along the way, we have registered over 400 patents and built one of the nation's largest foam manufacturing and distribution networks.
 Already recognized by customers and peers, we are committed to taking foam even further in the future.



Tailored Solutions for Our Partners

Solutions Driven by Innovation & Excellence

Consumer Insights



Marketing **Solutions**

Category Management

































FXI Mission . . . Tailored Solutions for our Partners Driven by Innovation and Excellence



Keys to Success

- ➤ Lowest Imaginable Cost by Eliminating Waste
- ➤ Innovation that Delights our Customers and Consumers
- ➤ Building a High Performance Organization

Core Values



The Industries We Serve . . . Inside, Around and **Under**





Automotive



Building Products



Home Furnishings



Healthcare



Electronics



Bedding



Cleaning



Polyurethane Foam Functions Fit into 2 Primary Categories



Fluid Management

Organizing, directing or containing materials that are capable of flowing



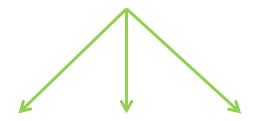






Energy Management

➤ Directing, controlling or handling of power derived from various sources





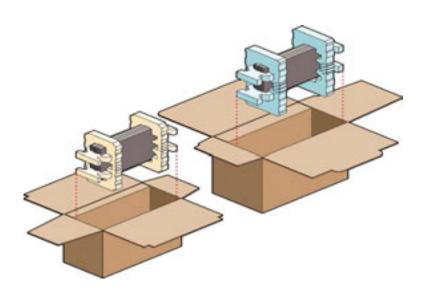




Energy Management is a Core Competency...



- > Sound
- Mechanical Cushion, Pressure Reduction, Protection
- Thermal Temperature Regulation, Explosion Suppression
- Electrical

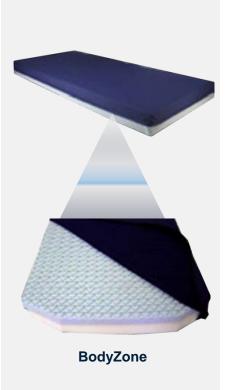




Cushioning



Healthcare



Bedding





Sleep Creations™ Mattress

Tech



Dri-Fast™ outdoor seating



Disk drive - vibration damping

Auto



Car seats



Armrests



Headrests



Sound



Consumer



Speaker Grille



Tech





Anechoic Chamber

Auto



Headliners



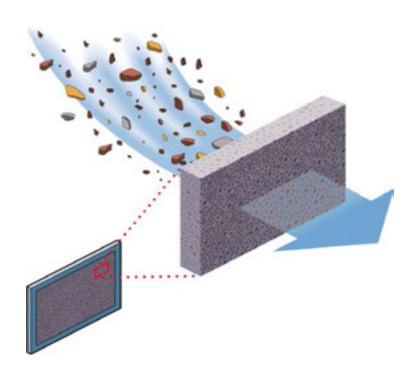
Under Hood



Fluid Management is a Core Competency . . .



- > Separate
- > Store
- ➤ Deliver
- > Isolate





Delivery Systems









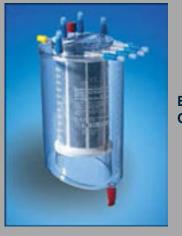
Filtering



Healthcare



Negative Pressure Wound Therapy



Blood Oxygenator

Tech





Auto



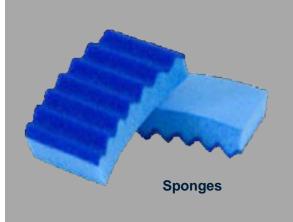
Air Filters

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Cleaning



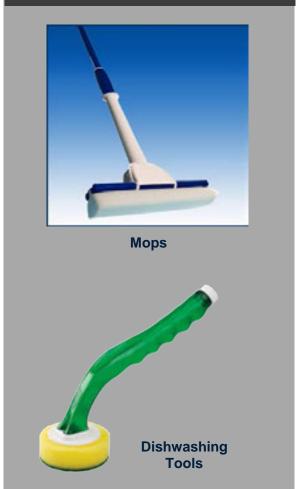
Consumer/Professional



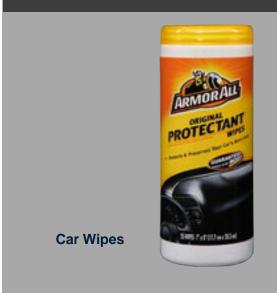


Wipes

Consumer/Professional



Auto





Auto **Buffing Pads**

World Class R&D center supports continued innovation



- Research, design and development
- Rapid prototyping
- Raw material evaluations
- Commercialization support
- Technical service and trouble-shooting
- Comprehensive suite of test capabilities
 - Gas Chromatography Mass Spectrometry (GC-MS)
 - Gel Permeation Chromatography (GPC)
 - Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA)
 - Differential Scanning Calorimeter (DSC)
 - Thermal Gravimetric Analysis (TGA)

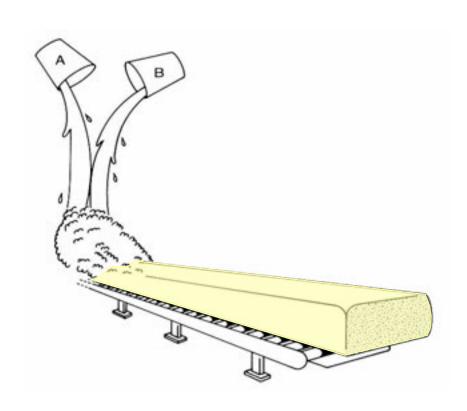




The formation of foam is a complex process involving two competing chemical reactions and a number of mechanical processes



- Polyurethane foams are produced according to the general scheme of mixing A with B to give an (AB)n block polymer
- The foam is expanded or "blown" by CO2 gas as the cellular polymer cures or "gels"
- Conceptually think of it as making bread





There are five major ingredients in all flexible slabstock foam formulations . . .



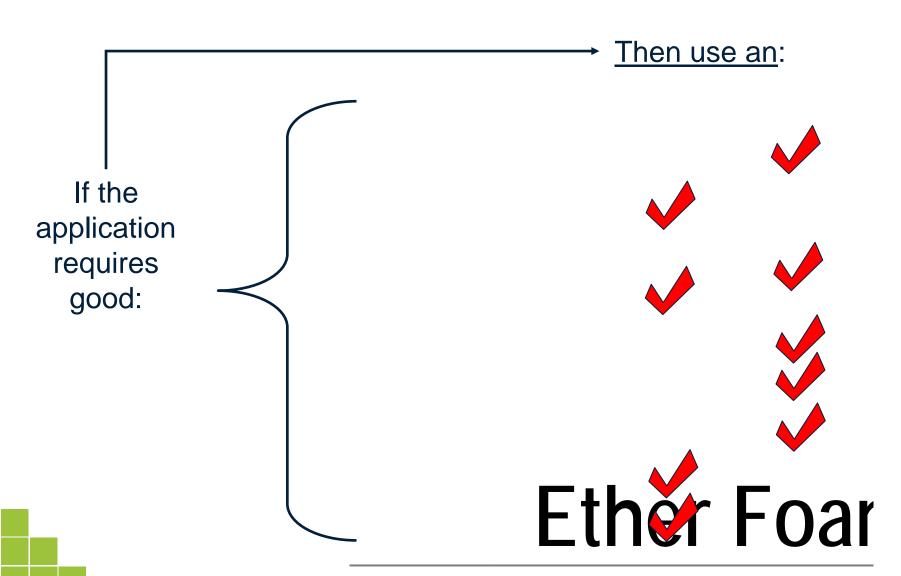
- > Polyols (50 70%)
- ➤ Isocyanates (25 40%)
- Water (1 4%)
- Catalysts (<1%)</p>
- ➤ Surfactants (<3%)





A simplified grid of the benefits associated with the two polyurethane polymer backbones . . .





Beyond the basic polyurethane foams . . . FXI offers the broadest range of cellular polyurethane products



- > Engineered Foams
- Chemically Modified Foams
- Physically Modified Foams



Performance enhancing manipulations involve Chemical Modifications through the addition of specialty additives



- Antimicrobials
- Absorbents
- Conductive Agents
- Hydrophilic/Hydrophobic
- Colorants
- Flame Retardants





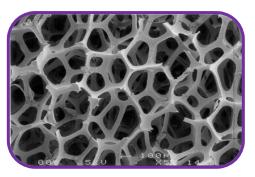


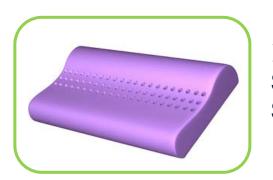
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We further upgrade functionality using various Physical Modification techniques . . .



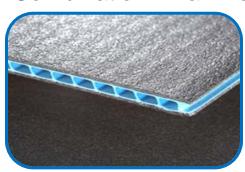
> Reticulation - Thermal or Chemical



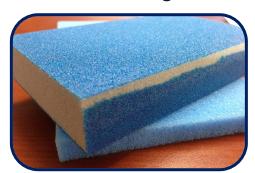


Shaping or Sculpting-SMT

Combination – Lamination



Coating



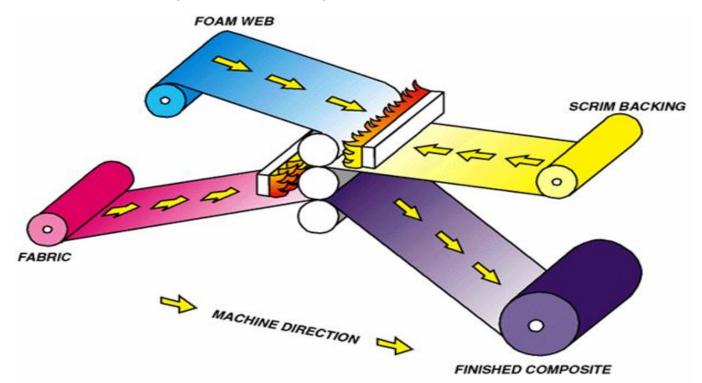


➤ Compression – Felt

Lamination . . . The combination of two or three materials using a bonding agent to form a composite structure



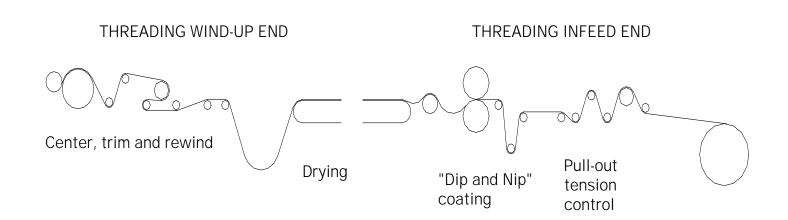
- Bonds foam to a substrate
- > Flame-created, film, web or liquid adhesive
- Can create bi- or tri-laminates
- Substrates can be a film, non-woven, fabric or another foam



Coating . . . Completely covering the cellular polymer strands with an alternative material



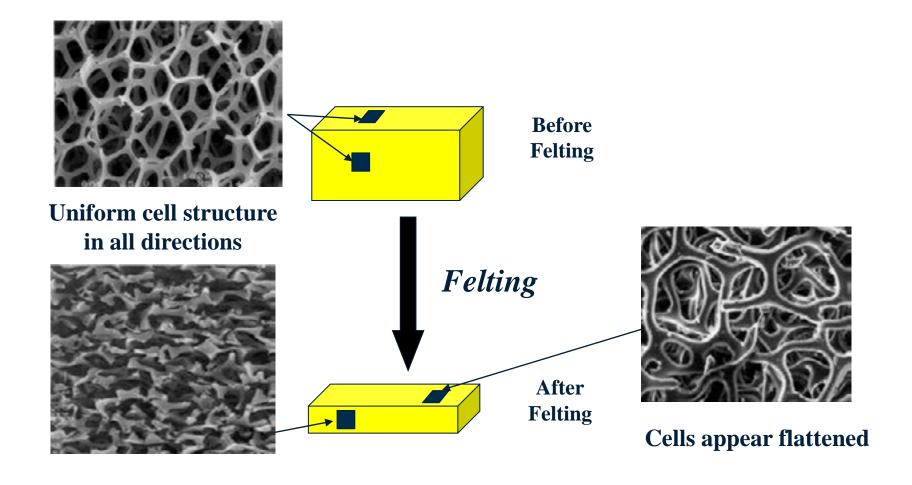
- "Dip and Nip" process to impregnate foam
- Coatings include latex, PVC, acrylics, vinyl, activated and conductive carbon





Felting . . . Permanent compression of the foam to modify the cell structure for enhanced fluid control

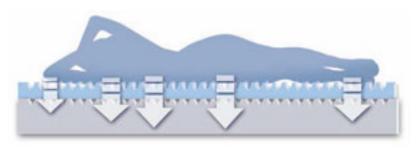






Sculpting of the foam surface using the patented Surface Modification Technology (SMT) . . .



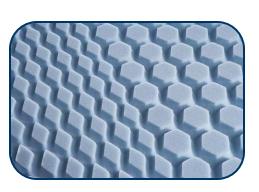


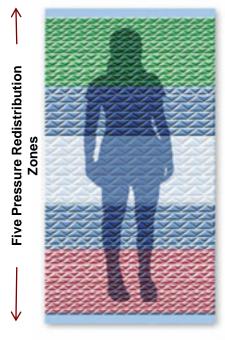
➤ Alters foam surface in up to five different ways

➤ By pattern type, size, depth, spacing, and location

≻Results

- ➤ Pressure redistributed
- >Envelopment increased
- >Friction and shear reduced
- ➤ Zoned cushioning layer
- ➤ Air circulation enhanced
- ➤ Comfort maximized









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Summary



- > FXI is the leading supplier of polyurethane foam products
 - Buns to finished products
- Polyurethane foams have many diverse properties and offer an great choice for applications that involve fluid or energy management
- > FXI has extensive manufacturing capabilities across North America
- Company is focused on providing innovative solutions for our customers/partners
- > FXI offers the widest range of products to meet your business needs today and in the future

