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Thermosiphon System



General Description

The objective of a thermosiphon system is to provide a flow of cooling media to the mechanical seal at the required pressure.

The media recirculates through the seal by heat convection generated as the pump shaft rotates through the seal. The media in the vessel is forced into the seal through the bottom line as the hot barrier fluid leaves the seal through the top line back into the vessel.

The media flows in the circuit and is cooled by contact with the walls of the tank and the cooling coils if used. The thermosiphon system is therefore passive and stand-alone, avoiding the cost and complexity of a conventional liquid pump.

In order to achieve this natural cooling effect, the tank containing a suitable sealing liquid must be located approx 1-2 m above the seal and not more than 2 m on any side, connecting the seal and the tank with pipes in stainless steel.

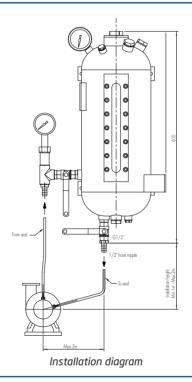
Depending on the application, local conditions and client preferences, a thermosiphon system can be delivered in a number of different versions by combining several options and a basic package.



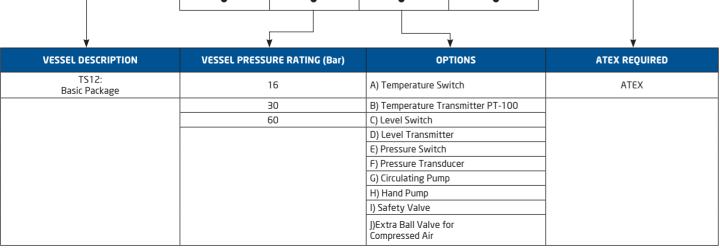
Basic Package

The basic package contains all items required to ensure basic function of the thermosiphon system.

Item	Description		
Tank	Volume: 12 liters, approx. media volume 7 liters Max. Operating Pressure: 16 bar Material: EN. 1.4436 / AISI 316		
Sight Glass	For media level inspection		
Cooling Coils	Fixed Cooling Coil is standard in every tank		
Manometer	Displays Pressure in the tank		
Thermometer	Displays media temperature in the seal return line		
Ball valves	On the "in" and "out" ports, these are used to stop flow and isolate the seal during maintenance		
Fittings	G-Series pipe thread hose fittings for "in" and "out" ports		
Plugs for option ports	All unused ports are plugged and sealed.		

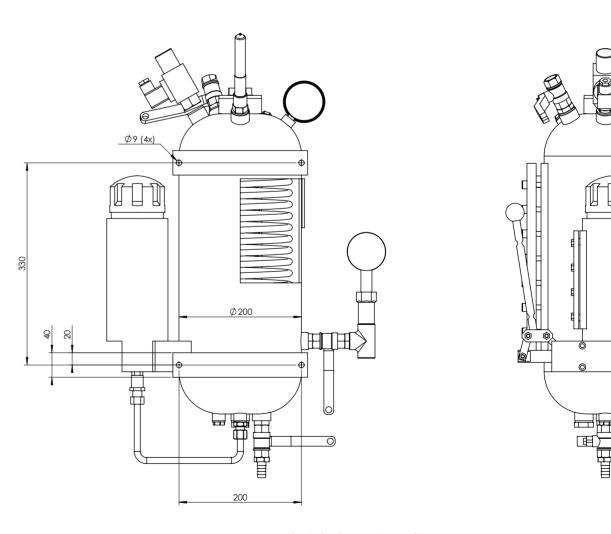


Thermosiphon Systems Designation Key



Example 1: TS12 - 16 - AH - ATEX / Example 2: TS12 - 30 - E

Option	Description	Option	Description
Temperature Switch	Upper Limit 80 degC. Used to monitor the media temperature in the seal return line. It switches if the media temperature goes above a predefined value. Can be used to trigger an alarm.	Pressure Transducer	Used to monitor the media pressure in the tank. Can be used to trigger an alarm if the pressure reaches limit values.
Temperature Transmitter	Used to monitor the media temperature in the seal return line. Can be used to trigger an alarm if the media gets too hot.	Circulating Pump	To be used if mechanical seal has no pumping device and thermal convection does not supply adequate media flow for mechanical seal lubrication and cooling.
Level Switch	Located inside the tank, it switches if the media level goes below the minimum level, which can be caused by media loss through a leakage. Can be used to trigger an alarm.	Hand Pump	Used for manual pressurizing of the tank if no other means is available on site. Also allows for media refilling during operation.
Level Transmitter	Used to monitor the media level in the tank. Can be used to trigger an alarm if the level gets too low.	Safety Valve	Releases pressure in the tank if it exce- eds a given value.
Pressure Switch	It switches if the pressure in the tank goes below a predefined value, whch can be cause e.g. by a media loss through a leakage. It can be used to trigger an alarm.	Extra Ball Valve for Compressed Air	Used for the tank pressurizing by com- pressed air.
Stand	Used to support the tank Material: stainless steel It is a stainless steel	ATEX Requirement	Compliant electrical and electronic components



Circulation in accordance with: API Plan 52, API Plan 53A, API Plan 54 with circulating pump in the seal inlet lin

Mounting Pattern and Main Dimensions

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