



# Scirocco II the flexible airslide

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Pneumatic conveying by fluidization  
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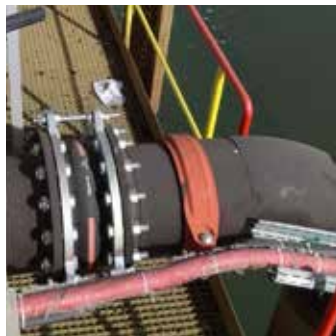
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# Fluidization

## A fluidized product has the properties of a liquid.

When a gas goes through a bed of particles, it goes upward and creates free spaces. The particles move away from each others. Friction forces decrease progressively until the bed of particles has the properties of a liquid.

Only dry and small sized particules, such as cement, limestone, micro-silica, fly ash, etc. can be fluidized.

## ● ● ● Scirocco II hose: a new principle of fluidization

Already used in the airslides, the fluidization has never been applied inside a rubber hose until today.

The operating principle of **Scirocco II** is not similar to that of one air slide application, but that of hundreds of small airslides.

There are air supply channels at the lower wall of the hose.

From these main channels small openings lead into small chambers, which are covered with felt.

Thus, each chamber is supplied with air and works like an independent airslide.

Since each airslide is very small, very good fluidization is achieved.

This specific design allows high performance:

**a 4» Scirocco II can convey 60 tons an hour of cement !**

## Design of the fluidization hose:



Main air channels



Opening leads



Felt



Fluidized product

# ○ ○ ○ Scirocco II principles



## Performances ● ● ●

In our test facility, we have tested a large range of materials. This full scale rig is equipped with a 1.5 m<sup>3</sup> silo and a 6 m long 4" Scirocco II hose.

We can set up parameters such as:

- Scirocco II angle from + 0° to - 6°
- Fluidization pressure from 0 to 2 bars
- Fluidization air flow rate between 50 and 500 L/min

Thus it will discharge:

- Cement up to 60 tons/hour
- Fly ash up to 57 tons/hour
- Limestone up to 49 tons/hour
- Aluminium oxyde up to 52 tons/hour

The below table summarizes the maximum performance of our Scirocco II hose.

Red figures are all empirical results from test rig (6 m long 4" Scirocco II).

All other figures are calculated figures.

Materials	Cement		Limestone		Micro-silica		Fly ash		Aluminium	
Fluidization pressure	0.15 bar		0.15 bar		0.15 bar		0.15 bar		0.5 bar	
Fluidization air flow rate in the 4" Scirocco	140 L/min		170 L/min		170 L/min		100 L/min		360 L/min	
Inclination	0°	- 3°	0°	- 3°	0°	- 6°	0°	- 6°	0°	- 6°
Diameter	Flow capacity (tons/hour)									
76 mm	23	29	18	25	6	10	23	29	4	27
<b>102 mm</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>52</b>
152 mm	90	135	60	105	30	45	95	115	28	110
204 mm	190	240	150	190	55	80	170	210	50	200
254 mm	280	350	220	300	80	125	250	330	75	300

# Advantages

## Low installation costs

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- Flexible system.
- Light weight system.
- Small size compared to the flow capacity.
- Swivel flange.

Diameter	Weight	Bending radius
76 mm	5,7 Kg/m	600 mm
102 mm	6,9 Kg/m	800 mm
152 mm	10,2 Kg/m	1000 mm
204 mm	14,0 Kg/m	1300 mm
254 mm	18,0 Kg/m	2000 mm

## Low running costs

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- Optimized air consumption  
A 10 m long 4» **Scirocco II** needs only 14 m<sup>3</sup> air to convey 60 tons of cement in one hour.

## Reliability

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- No risk of plugging or clogging.
- No moving parts.
- No device sensitive to dusty environments (such as electrical motors, etc).
- Virtually no wear:  
Thanks to the low conveying speed and fluidized material has low abrasion.

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## Sealed system: no dust pollution

- Special design of the hose: gasket are 100 % integrated inside the hose.



End Feed



Top Feed

# ○ ○ ○ Scirocco II applications



**Mortar plant**



**Cement plant**  
10» Scirocco II for truck loading.



**Micro-silica conveying**  
1 silo feeds 5 separate lines.



**Cement plant**  
Scirocco II hose connected to a bucket elevator.



**Cement plant**  
Scirocco II hose connected to an airslide.



**Mortar plant**



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