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## Product Data Sheet:

**PolyFoam 173**

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## GACO WESTERN POLYFOAM™ SYSTEM 173

### DESCRIPTION:

Gaco Western PolyFoam™ 173 is an HFC blown (zero-ozone depleting) liquid spray system that cures to a low-density rigid polyurethane insulation material. PolyFoam 173 contains material derived from naturally renewable resources and does not contain CFC's, HCFC's or other gases harmful to the environment. This system can be sprayed on clean dry substrates down to 40°F (1.66°C). Refer to the Gaco Western PolyFoam Spray Guide, SG-PolyFoam, for spraying instructions.

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

To ensure optimum performance a minimum pass thickness of 3/4" (1.9 cm) is recommended with the maximum not to exceed 2" (5.1 cm) per pass. For typical equipment settings, consult Gaco Western's PolyFoam Spray Guide.

Property	Test Temp.	ASTM Test	Unit	Value
Nominal Density: Sprayed-in-Place	77°F (25°C)	D-1622-93	lbs/ft <sup>3</sup>	1.6 – 1.8
Initial R Value:	75°F (23.9°C)	C-518	R	6.3
Aged R Value:	75°F (23.9°C)			6.2
Compressive Strength: Parallel to Rise	77°F (25°C)	D-1621-94	psi	24.5
Tensile Strength	77°F (25°C)	D-1623	psi	44.1
Dimensional Stability:	158°F (70°C) 97% RH (14 days) -20.2°F (-29°C) Amb. RH (24 Hours)	D-2126-94	% Vol Change	-11.47 +2.06
Recommended Service Temperature Range			°F	-40°F (-4.4°C) to 200°F (93°C)
Closed Cell Content	77°F (25°C)	D-2856C-94	%	90.0
Water Vapor Transmission	77°F (25°C)	E-96-95	Perm-inch	2.0

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**Fire Testing:** PolyFoam™ 173 has passed burn testing per ASTM E-84 and received a Flame Spread Index (FSI) of 25 and a Smoke Developed Index (SDI) of 450 at 4 inch thickness.

#### TYPICAL LIQUID CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

"A" Component contains polymeric isocyanate. "B" Component contains polyol, catalysts and blowing agents.

Property	Test Temp.	ASTM Test	Unit	Value
Viscosity: "A" Component "B" Component	77°F (25°C)	D-2196-68	cps	180 ± 20 400 ± 50
Specific Gravity: "A" Component "B" Component	77°F (25°C)	D-1638-70		1.22 1.19
Weight/Gallon: "A" Component "B" Component	77°F (25°C)		lbs/gal	10.2 9.9
Mixing Ratio: "A" & "B" Component	77°F (25°C)		by volume	1:1
Stability: When stored at 50°F to 70°F (10° - 21°C) "A" & "B" Component			months	A: 1 year B: 3 months

**NOTE:** Prior to specifying and installing a polyurethane foam interior insulation system, code officials should be consulted for recommendations and approvals. Although federal, local and state building codes vary, all require that polyurethane foam insulation be covered with an approved 15-minute fire barrier. One typically approved material, for example, is 1/2" (1 cm) gypsum wallboard. However, always check with local officials for recommendations and approvals. It is recommended that the approved thermal barrier be installed the same day the foam is applied.

All hot work, i.e. welding, torches and open flame work must be completed prior to installation of the polyurethane foam insulation. Smoking in the same area while the spray polyurethane foam insulation is being applied shall be strictly prohibited.

Recommendations and safety considerations for application are outlined in Gaco Western's PolyFoam Spray Guide. The aforementioned information on this product is to be used as a guide and is subject to change without notice. These suggestions and data are based on information we believe to be reliable. They are offered in good faith, but without guarantee, as conditions and methods and use of our products are beyond our control. Any obligation of the seller or manufacturer shall have no force or effect unless it is in writing and signed by officers of the manufacturer.

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