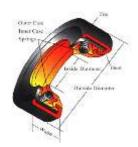
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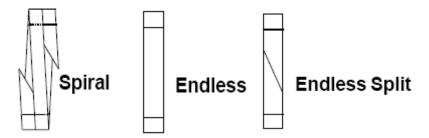


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## **Prevent O-ring Extrusion with Colonial Seal Back-Up Rings**

<u>Colonial Seal Co.</u>, a specialty distributor of <u>standard</u> and <u>custom sealing solutions</u> supplies both standard and custom-made PTFE Back-Up rings. PTFE back-up rings are available in multi-turn spiral cut, solid uncut(endless), and single-turn scarf cut(endless split) profiles. These PTFE back-up rings prevent O-rings from extruding when operating under high pressures and temperatures in both static and dynamic applications. Although these back-up rings offer no positive sealing function, they do provide protection and support to the primary sealing element, typically an O-ring.



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Back-up rings are positioned between the O-ring and the clearance gap on the low-pressure side of the groove. In this position, the back-up ring acts as a buttress for the o-ring, preventing it from extruding into the clearance gap. In applications with bi-directional pressures, back-up rings are placed on both sides of the O-ring. Colonial Seal supplies standard back-up rings which can meet AN6224, AN6246, MS28774, MS28782, and MS28783 specifications. We can also supply back-up rings in hardened elastomers and thermoplastics. Colonial Seal can produce PTFE or

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About Colonial Seal

Founded in 1994, Colonial Seal Co. is located in Westville, New Jersey, and is a specialty

distributor of oil & grease seals, hydraulic seals, rotary shaft seals, rubber molded products, and

gaskets. The company is a Veteran Owned, Small Business Supplier Authorized to do business

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