

Press Release

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New and reliable press fabric for tissue manufacture offers maximum dewatering capacity

Voith's TissueFlex XD press fabric for tissue production has very good saturation for maximum dewatering. It is produced with a lower caliper offering faster break-in times allowing the machine to reach higher productivity sooner. At the same time, TissueFlex XD has a resilient structure, so that the key properties of the fabric are maintained over a long period.

Over time, the operating speeds of tissue machines have increased substantially. Press fabrics like TissueFlex XD meet these more demanding requirements. Despite its low thickness the structure of TissueFlex XD remains stable, even at high operating speeds. The tissue manufacturer can expect high runability and increased productivity.

Thinner press fabrics often have the drawback that they quickly drop in performance due to wear, compaction and contamination. But this is not the case with TissueFlex XD: Voith has incorporated a unique non-woven layer that retains the properties of the fabric for a long time and delivers consistent performance. The special needling of the base, batt and non-woven layers also reduces wear and achieves a smooth tissue surface. The combined layers produce an even pressure for efficient drying. TissueFlex XD is a benefit for most tissue applications and can also reduce energy consumption.

Further information is available on the Voith website at <u>www.voith.com/paper</u>. Voith Paper is also on <u>Twitter</u> and <u>YouTube</u>.

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optimizing the paper manufacturing process, focusing on developing resource-saving products to reduce the use of energy, water, and fibers. Furthermore, Voith Paper offers a broad service portfolio for all sections of the paper manufacturing process.

Voith sets standards in the markets energy, oil & gas, paper, raw materials and transport & automotive. Founded in 1867, Voith employs more than 43,000 people, generates \in 5.7 billion in sales, operates in about 50 countries around the world and is today one of the biggest family-owned companies in Europe.

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