

Press release

Armacell supports creation of new JIS standard for flexible elastomeric foam insulation products in Japan

- Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry announced release of new industrial standard JIS A9516
- The standard will enable objective evaluation and use of flexible elastomeric foam insulation materials in Japan's construction industry
- Armacell was a key contributor in the development of the JIS A9516 standard

Luxembourg / Tokyo, 11 January 2022 – Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry announced the release of a new industrial standard for flexible elastomeric foam thermal insulation materials. Armacell, a global leader in flexible foam for the equipment insulation market and a leading provider of engineered foams, was a key contributor in the development of the JIS A9516 standard.

The establishment of this new standard will provide an objective evaluation of the quality of flexible elastomeric foam insulation for use in plumbing as well as in heating, ventilation, air-conditioning and refrigeration (HVAC&R) applications in multiple destination markets such as commercial buildings, industrial facilities and marine applications.

Since the invention of this material in 1954, Armacell has demonstrated expertise and efficiency in a variety of projects around the world. *"We are pleased to leverage on our extensive in-house knowledge and contribute towards making a difference in Japan. JIS A9516 will help to establish a high-quality standard for the use of this insulation material and encourage broader uptake in the building and construction industry. ArmaFlex® is a renowned flexible elastomeric foam insulation material and increased use of it will help to improve the working environment at construction sites and enable shorter construction periods,"* says Yoshihiko Yasumura, Armacell's General Manager Japan.

ArmaFlex is Armacell's product heritage, and the company's range in Japan – including ArmaFlex Airduct, ArmaFlex Class 0 and ArmaFlex Class 1 – are all compliant with JIS A9516.

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About Armacell

As the inventors of flexible foam for equipment insulation and a leading provider of engineered foams, Armacell develops innovative and safe thermal, acoustic and mechanical solutions that create sustainable value for its customers. Armacell's products significantly contribute to global energy efficiency making a difference around the world every day. With more than 3,000 employees and 24 production plants in 16 countries, the company operates two main businesses, Advanced Insulation and Engineered Foams, and generated net sales of EUR 591 million and adjusted EBITDA of EUR 120 million in 2020. Armacell focuses on insulation materials for technical equipment, high-performance foams for high-tech and lightweight applications and next generation aerogel blanket technology.

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