# NATURAL VENTILATION:

# **FIRE RESISTANT GRILLS**



# A RANGE OF CERTIFIED SOLUTIONS

The fire resistant transfer grills are mounted in the walls or the doors to prevent flame and heat propagation in the event of a fire. Situated at the intersection of the worlds of ventilation and passive fire protection, these grills must respond to the needs and regulatory standards inherent to these two domains.

- A compliant range for all types of walls: Rf-Technologies offers a wide range of fire resistant grills that meet the strictest European standards regarding the penetration of fire resistant walls, floors, ceilings, and doors.
- **Fire resistance:** Rf-Technologies grills are made of profiles in synthetic material filled with intumescent strips that expand in the event of fire in order to rapidly seal the opening and offer protection against flame and heat propagation during a guaranteed lapse of time.
- **Optimal air circulation:** Rf-Technologies grills are designed to allow a superior natural ventilation. The range is also characterized by the availability of an aesthetic model and by a wide choice of dimensions, up to 1200 mm x 800 mm.



#### APPLICATIONS AND LEGISLATION

The fire resistant grills represent the ideal solution for:

- The natural ventilation of adjacent fire resistant compartments: grill built into a fire-resistant door or wall. This solution is recommended in hospitals or office buildings, for example. The grill finishing must retain the aesthetic qualities of the premises and the intimacy of each compartment.
- The natural ventilation of technical premises: grill built into fire-resistant walls or doors. The level of fire resistance and the dimensions of the grill take precedence over aesthetic qualities.



According to European legislation concerning the fire resistance of construction products, the fire resistant grills are destined for the natural ventilation of premises and cannot be used for mechanical ventilation applications. Specifically, this means that a fire-resistant grill cannot, for example, be installed into a mechanical ventilation shaft. In this situation, only a fire damper would respond to requirements such as environmental pressure.

The fire resistant grills do not constitute an adequate solution for preventing the dispersion of smoke and cold gases as the functioning of the grill is heat-activated.

#### **FUNCTIONING**

The functioning of a fire resistant transfer grill is based on the dilatation properties of the intumescent materials in the profiles. When the room temperature reaches 100°C, the material expands to attain several times its original thickness. The slats then melt together to constitute a non-combustible mass that procures a fire resistance similar to that of the construction penetrated. This way, it impedes the passage of the flames, heat, and gases.

The following images show how the intumescent grills behave to fire.



The intumescent grill is made of horizontal profiles filled with intumescent material



The fire breaks out and the temperature reaches 100°C



The intumescent material expands to attain several times its original thickness and thus prevent the passage of smoke and flames

### FIRE RESISTANCE

The fire resistance of a product is measured in time units (60 = 60 minutes). Some basic criteria are applied in the European fire test and classification systems in order to measure the performance of the transfer grills in terms of fire resistance:

E - integrity:
the period of time during which no flames
pass through to the non-exposed side of the wall.
During this lapse of time, no opening (such as
cracks, splits, joint openings...) may appear in
the construction elements, through which
flames are able to propagate.

W - radiation:
limitation of heat radiation through the
construction element, measured at a distance of
one metre from the element (maximum 15 kW/m²).

I – insulation:
this criterion defines the capacity of a
construction element to resist fire exposure on
one side, without significant heat transmission to
the side that is not exposed to the fire. For this
criterion, heat transmission is measured on the
element itself.

Indication - (i $\rightarrow$ 0) (o $\rightarrow$ i) (i $\rightarrow$ 0) this complementary indication specifies if the element tested fulfils the criterion from the interior (i= inside) towards the exterior (o=outside), the opposite or both, in which case the direction of the fire is irrelevant.

ve or ho refers to the direction in which the element is positioned, either vertically or horizontally in the construction element, that is to say respectively in a wall or in a ceiling.

The specifications table allows you to determine which product corresponds best to your specific needs, for example, in terms of fire resistance, air flow, and aesthetic.

# **RANGE SPECIFICATIONS**

The Gz60 grill is an aesthetically finished non-vision model approved for mounting into any type of wall, as well as into fire resistant wooden door panels. In order to satisfy architectural preferences, the grill is available in three standard RAL colours. A fixed or variable frame finishing ensures a perfect result for the opening effected in the wall. This grill offers a harmonious architectural solution for the natural ventilation of hospitals or office buildings.

# Fire resistant grills

hEN 13501-2; 1364-1, 1364-2, 1634-1

		dimensions see table	mm			30%
Gz60	Aesthetically finished non-vision grill for wooden door panels and all types of walls	•	W 100 → 800 H 100 → 400 T 55 mm		•	•
Ge60	Technical vision grill with a fire resistance of 60'	•	W 100 → 800 H 100 → 400 T 50 mm	•		
Ge90	Technical vision grill with a fire resistance of 90'	•	W 100 → 800 H 100 → 400 T 50 mm	•		
Ge60-XL	Technical vision grill 60' in large dimensions	0	W 200 → 1200 H 200 → 800 T 100 mm	•		
Ge120	Technical vision grill with a fire resistance of 120'	•	W 150 → 800 H 100 → 400 T 100 mm	•		
Ge120-XL	Technical vision grill 120' in large dimensions	0	W 200 → 1200 H 200 → 800 T 100 mm	•		
Gb90	Modular ventilation block		W 100 H 100 T 80 mm W100 x H800 W800 x H100 W200 x H200	•		

The Ge grill is available in various degrees of fire-resistance (60, 90 or 120 minutes). The XL models also dispose of a reinforced frame in HDF, which ensures their rigidity, even for the largest dimensions. This complete family of products is ideal for ventilating technical premises, for example.

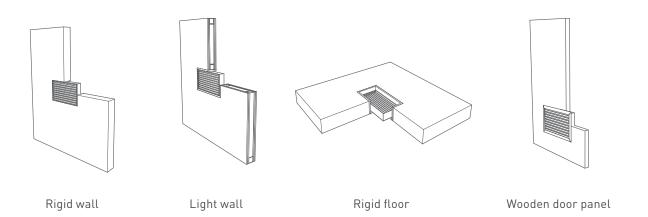
The Gb90 is a modular fire resistant ventilation block made out of graphite. It can be used alone or several blocks can be assembled together, depending on the required air flow rate and fire resistance. In case of fire, the graphite expands and closes off the opening against fire.

Ö		*******			Sn (%)	RAL	Grill frame	Fixing	
EI60 EW90	EI 60 EW90 (v <sub>e</sub> i↔o)	EI 60 EW60 (h <sub>o</sub> i↔o)	EI 60 EW60 (v <sub>e</sub> i↔o)	EI 60 EW60 (v <sub>e</sub> i↔o)	49 → 58	9022, 7024, 9016	PS	Depending on its application	
E160 EW60	EI 60 EW60 (v <sub>e</sub> i↔o)				52 → 59	7035	PVC	Silicone mastic BCM	
E190 EW90	EI 90 EW90 (v <sub>e</sub> i↔o)				52 → 59	7035	PVC	Silicone mastic BCM	
E160 EW60	EI 60 EW60 (v <sub>e</sub> i↔o)				41 → 55	7035	Treated High-Density Fibreboard	Mortar	
EI120 EW120	EI120 EW120 (v <sub>e</sub> i⇔o)				23 → 51	7035	Treated High-Density Fibreboard	Gypsum or Ytocol	
EI120 EW120	EI120 EW120 (v <sub>e</sub> i⇔o)				43 → 55	7035	Treated High-Density Fibreboard	Gypsum or Ytocol	
EI120 EW120	EI 120 EW120 (v <sub>e</sub> i↔o)				67	_	-	Silicone	
El90 EW120	EI 90 EW120 (v <sub>e</sub> i↔o)							mastic BCM	

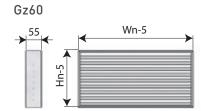
# **AVAILABLE DIMENSIONS**

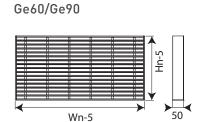
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150	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	-	-	-
200	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	0	0	0	0
250	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	-	-	-	-
300	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	0	0	0	0
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400	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	0	0	0	0
500	-	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	0	0	0	0
600	-	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	0	0	0	0
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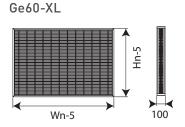
- Ge60-XL, Ge120-XL
- Ge60, Ge90, Gz60
- Ge120

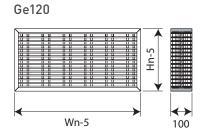


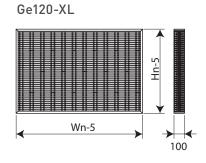
# **DIMENSIONS OF THE FIRE RESISTANT GRILLS**

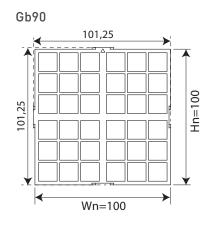




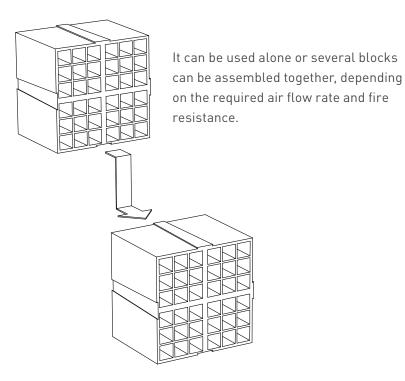








The modular block Gb90 has the dimensions of a standard brick  $(100 \times 100 \times 80 \text{ mm})$ .





# **RF-TECHNOLOGIES**

Rf-Technologies is a leading European manufacturer of specialist solutions for compartmentation and smoke evacuation. The company sells its products via a vast network of partners in more than fifteen European countries.

Rf-Technologies was founded in 1985. It employs 170 people on two sites; one in Belgium (where its company headquarters are located) and the other in Slovakia. Ongoing investment in research and development testifies to a desire to continually develop and improve the range of products.

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