## **CALTEX GREASE TOOLKIT**





# Caltex and Chevron Toolkit Greases Available by Thickener Type

Clay	Lithium	Lithium Complex	Polyurea
Thermatex® EP	Multifak® Moly EP	Delo® Grease ESI® EP	Black Pearl® Grease EP
	Multifak® EP	Delo® Heavy Duty Moly 5% EP	SRI Grease
	Marfak® Multipurpose	Delo® Starplex EP	



## **Caltex Grease Toolkit**

This toolkit is designed as a hands-on approach to help the end-user focus on selecting the right premium Caltex and Chevron greases for various segments, applications, and conditions to ensure operational reliability, while allowing for consolidation of greases within their organization.

Throughout this toolkit we will refer to segment, application, and condition icons - these have been defined below for your quick reference:

#### **Key Segments:**



Fleet/Owner Operator



Buses

Construction

Agriculture

Mining

Manufacturing

Marine

Power Generation

Oil and Gas

#### **Applications:**

■ Electric Motors

Centralized Systems

Gears

Couplings

Bearings - Heavy Loaded

Bearings - Light Loaded

Multipurpose

#### **Conditions:**

High Temperature

Low Temperature

High Speed

Low Speed

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High Moisture

Boundary Film Lubrication

With grease, you are not just selling lubricants – you are selling reliability and at Chevron, we want to help you maximize equipment reliability through knowledge, products and services in order to attain dependable and efficient performance across various operations.

## Thermatex® EP



#### **Grease Description**

- Designed for application for temperature between 135°C and up to 260°C, dependent on re-greasing intervals
- Excellent resistance to water wash-off
- Check compatibility with other greases
- Prevents grease loss from bearings at high temperatures
- NLGI grade 2











## Multifak® Moly EP

#### **Grease Description**

- Manufactured utilizing selected base oils, a lithium-12 hydroxystearate thickener, 3% molybdenum disulphide (moly), an extreme pressure additive, and rust & oxidation inhibitors
- Approved for Volvo Construction Equipment requirements for grease performance
- NLGI grade 2





























## Multifak® EP

#### **Grease Description**

Manufactured utilizing high viscosity index base oils, a lithium-12 hydroxystearate thickener, an extreme pressure additive, and rust and oxidation inhibitors

- Multipurpose grease
- Good oxidation stability
- NLGI grades 0, 1, 2 and 3
- NLGI grade 2 meets NLGI LB classification















## Marfak® Multipurpose

#### **Grease Description**

- Multipurpose automotive applications where EP is not required
- Industrial ball and roller bearings use where EP is not required
- Good oxidation life
- NLGI grade 3











## **Delo<sup>®</sup> Starplex EP**

#### **Grease Description**

- · Lithium complex thickener with high viscosity index base oils
- Multipurpose grease for bearings, chassis, and general **lubrication**
- Approved for NLGI certification mark GC-LB for NLGI grades 1 and 2























## **Delo® Heavy Duty** Moly 5% EP

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#### **Grease Description**

- · Lithium complex thickened with heavy viscosity base oil
- Designed for heavy shock loading applications
- Formulated with 5% MoS<sub>2</sub> to meet CAT and other **OEM** mining requirements
- NLGI grades 1 and 2





















## Delo<sup>®</sup> Grease ESI<sup>®</sup>

#### **Grease Description**

- Lithium complex thickened with medium/heavy viscosity base oil
- Excellent pumpability versus other mid-high viscosity base oil heavy-duty greases
- Approved for NLGI certification mark LB
- Extended service protection for chassis, bearings, fifth wheels and king pins
- Excellent water washout resistance
- NLGI grade 2































## Black Pearl® Grease EP

## **Grease Description**

- Polyurea thickened with premium base oil
- Excellent pumpability for centralized greasing systems
- Superb high speed/high temperature in roller bearings
- Check compatibility with other greases



## **SRI** Grease

#### **Grease Description**

- Premium ashless polyurea thickener
- Can be used as a "life pack" lubricant in sealed bearings
- For use in anti-friction bearings operating at high speeds (10,000 rpm and greater)
- Primary recommendation for electric motor bearings
- Check compatibility with other greases
- NLGI grade 2

#### **Key Segments Applications Conditions**







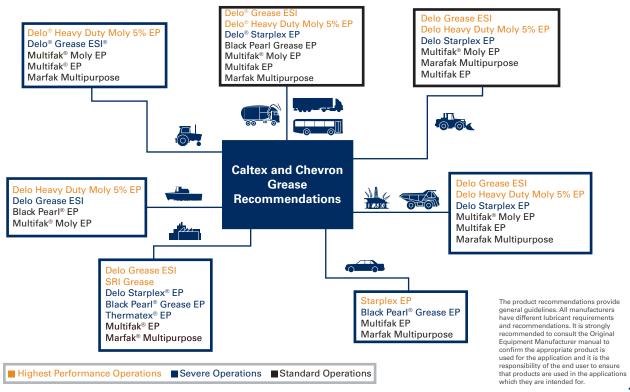
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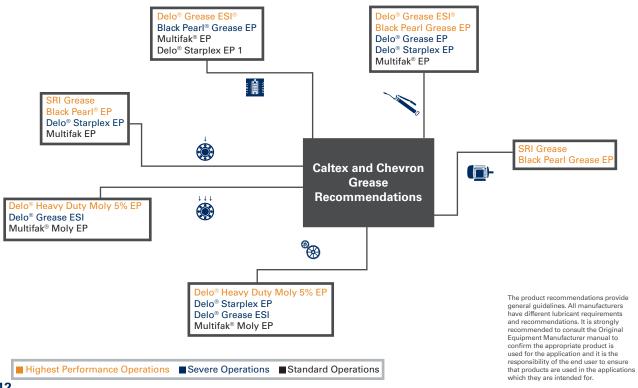
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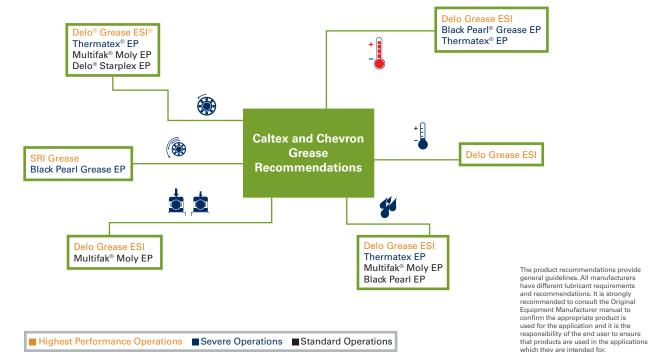
## **Caltex and Chevron Greases**

Protection Performance for All Applications (Typical Recommendations, Check Conditions)



## **Caltex and Chevron Greases**

Protection Performance for Severe Conditions (Typical Recommendations, Check Conditions)



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## What Is a Grease?

#### **Grease Definition (ASTM)**

 "A solid to semifluid product of dispersion of a thickening agent in liquid lubricant.
 Other ingredients imparting special properties may be included."

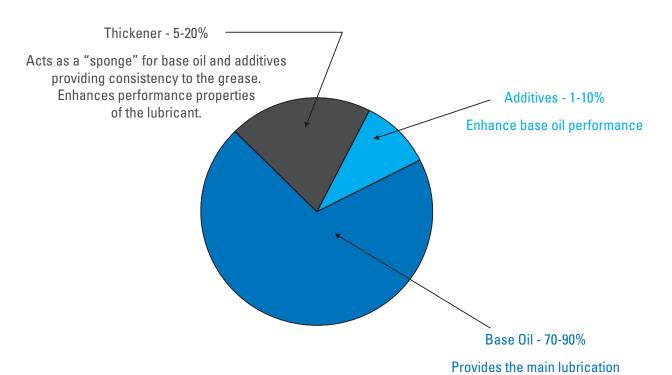
#### **General Grease Components**

- Base oil
- Thickener

Additives



## **General Composition**



## **General Functions and Purpose**

- Lubricate contact surfaces
- · Reduce friction and wear
- Protect against rust and corrosion
- Lubrication is infrequent or "sealed for life"
- Oil lubrication is not practical
- Seal out liquid contaminants
- · Minimize re-lube intervals
- Minimize leaks (housekeeping)
- Extreme applications where oil doesn't work



## **Penetration Numbers**

## NLGI - National Lubricating Grease Institute

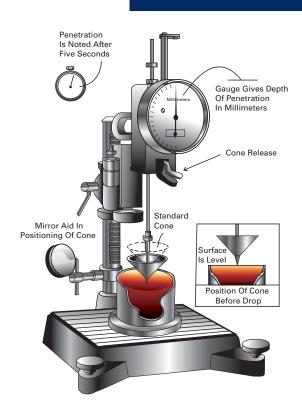
#### **Choosing Consistency - Understanding NLGI Grade Number**

Higher NLGI Grade Number = Harder/Stiffer Grease

Lower NLGI Grade Number = Softer/Fluid Grease

Number	Worked Penetration, P <sub>60</sub>
000	445-475
00	400-430
0	355-385
1	310-340
2	265-295
3	220-250
4	175-205
5	130-160
6	85-115

(Worked Penetration for a grease is achieved when a grease is churned 60 round-trip strokes in a standard worker (a standard piece of grease equipment to work grease to simulate real world grease activity) at 77° F (25° C)).

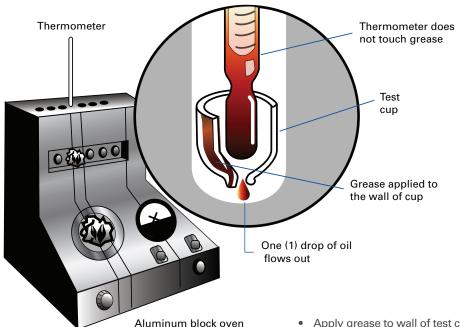


## **Base Oil Viscosity**

- Most important characteristic of grease
- Oil does the lubricating
- Thickener holds it together
- ISO viscosity grade 100, motors, high-speed
- ISO viscosity grade 220, most applications
- ISO viscosity grade 320, higher loads, medium speeds
- ISO viscosity grade 460+, highest loads, slowest speeds



## **Dropping Point Measurement**



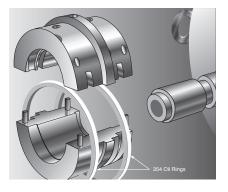
- Apply grease to wall of test cup.
- Select oven temperature as defined in ASTM D 2265.
- Measure the "dropping point" of the grease when one (1) drop of oil falls from the test cup.

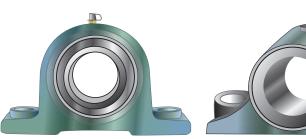
## **NLGI Service Categories**

Category	Service	Performance
LA	Frequent re-lubrication intervals (<3200 km).	Oxidation resistant, shear stable, and corrosion and
chassis	Mild duty (non-critical applications.)	wear protective.
LB	Prolonged re-lubrication intervals (>3200 km).	Oxidation resistant, shear stable and corrosion and
chassis	Mild to severe duty (high loads,	wear protective even under heavy loads
	vibration, exposure to water).	and in presence of aqueous contamination.
		Temperature range -40 to 120°C.
GA	Frequent re-lubrication intervals. Mild duty	Temperature range -20 to 70°C.
wheel bearings	(non-critical applications.)	
GB	Mild to moderate duty (cars, trucks in urban	Oxidation and evaporation resistant, shear stable,
wheel bearings	and highway service).	and corrosion and wear protective. Temperature
		range -40 to 120°C with occasional excursions to
		160°C.
GC	Mild to severe duty (vehicles in frequent	Oxidation and evaporation resistant, shear stable,
wheel bearings	stop-and-go service, trailer hauling, mountain	and corrosion and wear protective. Temperature
	driving, etc.).	range -40 to 120°C with frequent excursions to 160°C
		and occasional excursions to 200°C.

## **Typical Greased Bearing Types**

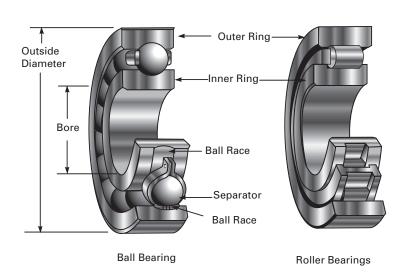
#### **JOURNAL AND PLAIN BEARINGS**

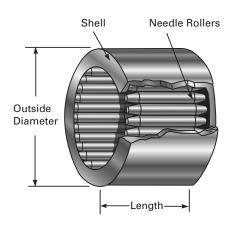




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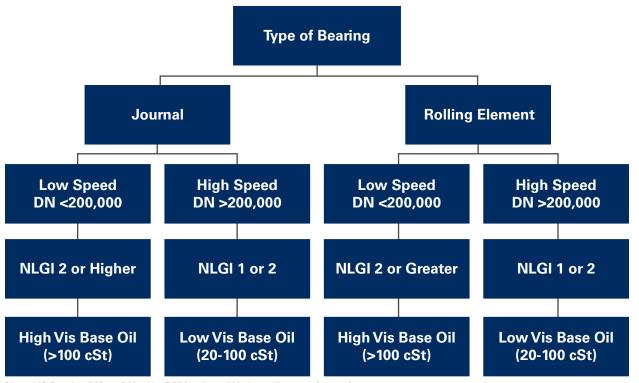
#### **ROLLING ELEMENT BEARINGS**





Needle Bearings

## **General Grease Bearing Recommendations**



Note: US Bearing Mfgs - DN = N x RPM; where N is bore diameter (in mm).

European Bearing Mfgs - nD = ((D1+D2))/2 x RPM; where D1 and D2 are the outer and inner bore diameters respectively (in mm).

## **Selection Guidelines**

#### **Key First Information Gathering:**

- Evaluating equipment recommendations and conditions
- Review OEM requirements
- Review NLGI consistency/penetration numbers
- Review NLGI service categories
- Understand operating conditions of equipment and lubricant
- · Evaluate intervals and any problems with current greases
- Move to "Prescribe the Right Grease" selection criteria guidelines

#### Next Step - "Prescribe the Right Grease":

- 1. Where is it going?
- 2. How do we apply it?
- 3. How do we keep it in place?
- 4. Will it keep working?
- 5. Will it be compatible with the previous grease?



Refer to table on page 23.

## "Prescribe the Right Grease"

Application	Condition	Grease Property	Measurement		
Where is it going?	Type of bearing	Consistency	NLGI grade		
writere is it going:	component	Base oil	Viscosity/viscosity index		
How do we apply it?	Application method - Grease gun - Centralized system - Hand applied	Consistency Pumpability Base oil	NLGI grade Lincoln ventmeter Viscosity/viscosity index		
How do we keep it in place?	Vibration Shock load Water impingement	Additives/Solids Consistency Thickener Tackifiers	Film strength NLGI grade Emulsibility Water washout		
	Operating temperature	Thickener Thickener Base oil Additives	Dropping point Oxidation resistance Viscosity/viscosity index Oxidation resistance		
Will it keep working?	Water contamination	Additives Thickener	Rust protection Emulsibility		
	Chemical contaminants	Additives Additives Thickener	Corrosion inhibition Film strength Resistance to chemicals		
Will it be compatible with previous grease?	Other greases	Thickener	ReviewTable 1 (page 25)		

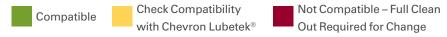
## **Compatibility and Changeover Practices**

Grease changeover and compatibility are an important part of providing a customer reliable operations.

When provided with an opportunity to changeover a customer to a Caltex or Chevron grease – it's important to take into account key items for the transition:

- 1. Understand the application and conditions the grease will be applied check OEM recommendations.
- 2. Confirm current competitive grease use and re-lubrication intervals.
- 3. Check current competitive grease details:
  - a. Thickener type
  - b. Base oil viscosity
  - c. NLGI grade number
  - d. Any equipment / performance problems experienced
  - e. Current application method centralized system/grease gun/bulk, etc.
- 4. Confirm "best" Caltex or Chevron grease recommendation for the equipment/condition application and re-lubrication interval required by customer in accordance with the OEM recommendations.
- 5. Check compatibility of Caltex or Chevron grease and Competitor grease Table 1 may be referenced as a guide (page 25).
- 6. If products are in green section compatible proceed with additional application questions and confirm final fit with customer and equipment application/conditions.
- 7. If product is in yellow section may be compatible.
- 8. If products are in red not compatible a full cleanout and or purge of greased equipment must be conducted.
- 9. Failure to follow these steps risks a successful conversion and may result in poor equipment performance, loss of business, and possible failure/shutdown for the customer.

## **Compatibility Chart**



**Table 1 - Compatibility of Binary Grease Mixtures** 

	Lithium	Lithium Complex	Aluminum Complex	Calcium	Calcium Sulfonate Complex	Barium Complex	Sodium	Bentone (Clay)	Polyurea
Lithium									
Lithium Complex									
Aluminum Complex									
Calcium									
Calcium Sulfonate Complex									
Barium Complex									
Sodium									
Bentone (Clay)									
Polyurea									

 $Table \ 1 \ should \ be \ used \ only \ as \ a \ guideline \ for \ determining \ compatibility. For the purpose \ of \ changing \ products \ in \ the \ field, \ the \ compatibility \ of \ the \ greases \ in \ question \ should \ be \ determined \ by \ laboratory \ testing.$ 

### Proper Intervals and Amounts

- Proper greasing intervals should be based on a number of factors including: original equipment manufacturer (OEM)
  recommendations, ambient conditions, equipment operating hours, criticality of equipment or component and
  maintenance plan.
- 2. High Temperature Application
  - a. Greases fail more rapidly as temperature of operation increases. This failure typically lies in the melting point of the thickener or dropping point of the grease. Oxidation also increases rapidly as temperature rises.
  - b. Most mineral oil-based greases (of adequate dropping point) will operate successfully to about 250°F (121°C) at more frequent re-lubrication intervals. As service temperature rises, frequency of re-lubrication must increase.
  - c. If speed is high, bearing is large, or load severe, re-lubrication intervals should be even shorter. Where service is severe and/or contamination is unavoidable, re-lubrication is best carried out with a centralized lubrication system, and lubrication intervals may be measured in hours or minutes.
  - d. Listed below are general guidelines for re-lubrication intervals for rolling element bearings (assuming eight work hours per day). As always check specific OEM recommendations, ambient conditions and application before finalizing specific greasing intervals:

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180°F (82°C) 6 months
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220°F (104°C) 3 months

300°F (149°C) 1 month

>300°F (149° C) 1 day to 1 month - check OEM recommendations and review grease type to determine correct interval at high temperatures.

## Proper Intervals and Amounts

- e. Care should be taken when operating machinery at these elevated temperatures. Evaluate the oil(s) used in the grease to ensure that the flash point of the oil(s) has not been exceeded.
- 3. Proper quantity of grease to be pumped into greased bearings/components should be determined by your Lubrication or Maintenance Engineer who will typically utilize: OEM recommendations, bearing dimensions, severity of conditions, grease selection criteria (see pages 20-23) and maintenance plan to ensure correct amount is applied. As a guideline the following formula can be used as reference:

Grams of grease required in bearing = 3.23 x Bearing outside diameter (OD in mm) x Width (W in mm)

4. Under/over greasing reduces equipment reliability and increases potential failure rates and costs.

#### General Guidelines

Greased bearing/component failures can normally be attributed to several consistent factors: lack of lubrication, contamination, incompatibility, overgreasing and grease usefulness. Addressing these items as outlined below can help improve greased bearing/component life when applied:

- 1. Lack of lubrication
  - a. Ensure all critical greased components are identified and scheduled in maintenance plan/intervals
  - b. Tag/color code fittings/equipment that may be hard to locate
  - c. Utilize delivery systems to help ensure grease gets to the component
  - d. Check or replace blocked fittings/inspect delivery system
  - e. Clean out or replace any blocked bearing/component areas
- 2. Contamination
  - a. Ensure all grease pumping or application equipment is contaminant free
  - Understand how to change out old and new grease containers and associated pumping equipment to eliminate contamination
  - c. Wipe grease fittings before application of grease
  - d. Do not leave grease containers open to the environment
- 3. Incompatibility
  - a. Try to consolidate number of greases used on site
  - b. Refer to pages 24-25 for changeover and incompatibility reference

#### General Guidelines

#### 4. Overgreasing

- a. Seals may rupture allowing grease to leak out of bearings into the environment or into other components like electric motor windings.
- b. Ensure correct amount is applied at appropriate intervals.
- c. Check for any grease hardening/thickener separation that may block grease application.

#### 5. Grease usefulness

- a. Visually check new grease containers and contents when they are opened.
- b. A thin layer or small pools of separated oil on top of the grease in a newly opened container is acceptable.
- c. Check containers for dents/broken seals/general condition to ensure grease can be applied appropriately.
- d. Check color and texture with previous grease to ensure no noticeable changes from shelf life or wrong grease being utilized.

As always, consult your local Caltex representative if there are any questions or if product needs to be verified for application or useful life.

