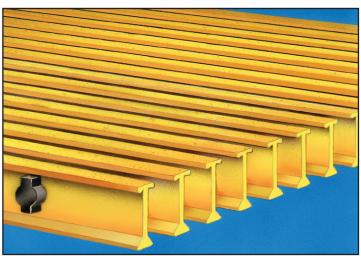
## COMPARE

# Pultruded Grating vs.

### **Aluminum** Grating









Strongwell combines superior raw materials, composite design, and the pultrusion process to manufacture DURADEK®— the highest gulaity pultruded fiberglass grating available.

DURADEK® offers superior:

- IMPACT RESISTANCE High ultimate strength prevents impact damage
- CORROSION RESISTANCE Resists most acids, caustics and
- **SAFETY** Low electrical conductivity, non-skid surface

In addition, DURADEK® is:

- VERSATILE
- EASILY FIELD FABRICATED
- FIRE RETARDANT Meets requirements of Class 1 rating of 25 or less per ASTM E-84 and the self-extinguishing requirement of ASTM D-635
- LIGHTWEIGHT 20-25% lighter than aluminum

DURADEK® contains **UV INHIBITORS** and can be custom manufactured in special **COLORS**.

Is DURADEK® the best grating choice to meet the requirements of your application? Turn over to compare the features of DURADEK® fiberglass pultruded grating and aluminum grating!

#### **COMPARE!** DURADEK® PULTRUDED GRATING VS. ALUMINUM GRATING

**STRENGTH** 

DURADEK® I-6000, 1-1/2" on center 48" Span, Ultimate Load = 2032 PSF

DURADEK® has a higher ultimate load carrying capacity and is 20-25% lighter than aluminum.

3/16" x 1-1/2" Bar, 1-3/16" on center 48" Span, Ultimate Load = 774 PSF

IMPACT RESISTANCE Glass mat in DURADEK® grating distributes impact load to prevent surface damage even in sub-zero temperatures. Will not permanently deform.

Stays flat for the life of the product.

Will permanently deform under impact.

Takes a permanent set (dishing) in trench applications due to overloading.

CORROSION RESISTANCE

DURADEK®, with its polyester or vinyl ester resin, is resistant to corrosion caused by a broad range of acids, caustics and salts.

Corrosion resistant to only a narrow range of chemicals. Can cause galvanic corrosion.

**SAFETY** 

DURADEK® has a round silica grit bonded to the surface of bearing bars for an excellent non-skid surface.

Low electrical conductivity.

Flat bars are not skid resistant or only skid resistant in one direction.

Grounding potential around electrical equipment.

**VERSATILITY** 

DURADEK® can be made a safety yellow or gray with the resin pigmented throughout the bar.

Only one color. Expensive anodizing is required to achieve other colors.

EASY FIELD FABRICATION

DURADEK® can be field fabricated with simple carpenter tools, is easy to cut and is lighter than aluminum.

Requires special blades and is harder to cut.

**BANDING** 

DURADEK® is an I-bar that does not leave a sharp edge when cut. The bars will not bend or deform in the lateral direction; therefore, DURADEK® does not need to be banded.

Cutting a rectangular aluminum bar leaves sharp edges. The flat bars will bend and deform easily in the lateral direction; therefore, aluminum should be banded.

#### THE CHOICE! DURADEK® High Strength, Pultruded Fiberglass Grating!

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