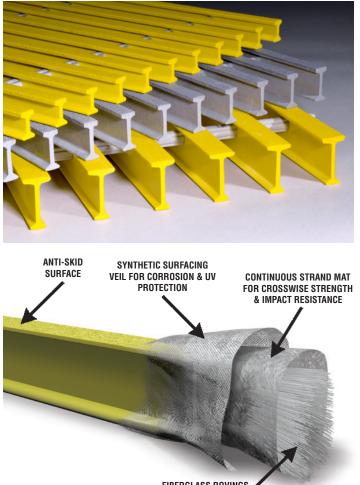


# **PRODUCT COMPARISON**

### DURADEK® / DURAGRID® PULTRUDED GRATING



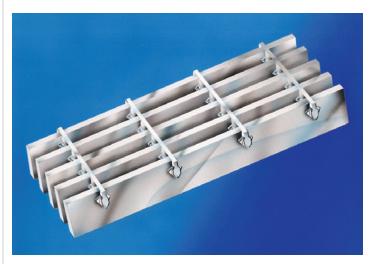
FIBERGLASS ROVINGS (65-70% OVERALL GLASS CONTENT)

Strongwell combines superior raw materials, composite design, and the pultrusion process to manufacture DURADEK<sup>®</sup> and DURAGRID<sup>®</sup> - the highest quality pultruded fiberglass grating available.

#### Strongwell pultruded grating offers superior:

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

## **ALUMINUM GRATING**





In addition, DURADEK® / DURAGRID® are:

- 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® and DURAGRID® contain UV INHIBITORS.

For more Strongwell pultruded grating design information, visit www.strongwell.com/designmanual for the online Strongwell Design Manual.

Are DURADEK<sup>®</sup> or DURAGRID<sup>®</sup> the best grating choices to meet the requirements of your application? Turn over to compare the features of Strongwell fiberglass pultruded grating and aluminum grating!

#### DURADEK<sup>®</sup> / DURAGRID<sup>®</sup> PULTRUDED GRATING

#### **VS. ALUMINUM GRATING**

| STRENGTH<br>Comparison    | DURADEK <sup>®</sup> I-6500 1-1/2", 1.71" on center<br>48" Span, Ultimate Load = 1784 PSF<br>DURADEK <sup>®</sup> has a higher ultimate load carrying capacity and<br>is 20-25% lighter than aluminum.                     | 3/16" x 1-1/2" Bar, 1-3/16" on center<br>48" Span, Ultimate Load = 774 PSF   |
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| IMPACT<br>Resistance      | Glass mat in Strongwell pultruded grating distributes impact<br>load to prevent surface damage even in sub-zero temperatures.<br>Will not permanently deform.<br>Stays flat for the life of the product.                   | Will permanently deform under impact.<br>Takes a permanent set (dishing) in<br>trench applications due to overloading.   |
| CORROSION<br>Resistance   | Strongwell pultruded grating 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                    | Strongwell pultruded grating has a round silica grit bonded to<br>the surface of bearing bars for non-skid safety.<br>Low in electrical and thermal conductivity.  | Flat bars are not skid resistant or only<br>skid resistant in one direction.<br>Grounding potential around electrical<br>equipment.  |
| VERSATILITY               | Strongwell pultruded grating can be purchased in a safety yellow or gray with the resin pigmented throughout the bar. No painting required. Custom colors are also available.  | Only one color. Expensive anodizing is required to achieve other colors.   |
| EASY FIELD<br>Fabrication | Strongwell pultruded grating 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 <sup>®</sup> and DURAGRID <sup>®</sup> do not leave a sharp edge<br>when cut. The bars will not bend or deform in the lateral<br>direction; therefore, Strongwell pultruded grating does not<br>need to be banded. | Cutting a rectangular aluminum bar<br>leaves sharp edges. The flat bars will<br>bend and deform easily in the lateral<br>direction; therefore, aluminum grating<br>should be banded. |

#### **THE CHOICE!**

#### **DURADEK® / DURAGRID® High Strength, Pultruded Fiberglass Grating!**



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