How Whitford high-performance coatings solve key problems for the automotive industry



Why Whitford?

Some companies develop products in the abstract — and then bend problems to fit the products. Whitford takes the opposite point of view. We believe that the way to a better product is to start with a specific problem, then create a product designed to solve it.

Whitford's global automotive team works closely with auto companies and their suppliers to solve the specific problems they face. The result has been a series of successful vehicle launches.

Whitford works to the ISO TS 16949 and ISO TS 14001 Enviro standards.

Auto-flex coatings

Whitford has developed two extensive lines of specialty coatings for rubber and other flexible substrates: Resilon® (waterborne) and Xylan® (solvent-borne). They are currently used on more than 100 platforms and over one million cars worldwide.

Anti-friction/corrosion coatings

For almost fifty years, Xylan has been specified by automotive companies and their tiers. In fact, Xylan was the first coating created to displace cadmium and zinc as a corrosion barrier on small fasteners. It was also the first coating to survive the rigors of internal diesel engines when applied to piston skirts and journal bearings.

Given the extensive range of water-and solvent-borne resins, coupled with leading solid lubricants such as PTFE, graphite and molybdenum disulphide, countless components and assemblies are coated with Xylan to provide lubrication, abrasion resistance, low friction, corrosion resistance and noise suppression.

From VW to Ford, from Honda to Hyundai and every car in between, Whitford's products are meeting the demanding needs and solving the problems of the global car brands.



Weatherstrip \rightarrow Resilon

esilon, Whitford's line of waterborne, single-component coatings, is based on PU/Si-hybrid technology to solve a variety of problems on flexible substrates in the automotive industry.

Resilon can easily be applied to EPDM, TPE, NBR, PVC, ABS and other temperature-sensitive substrates to help reduce friction, suppress noise, avoid sticking and protect against weathering.

Resilon is specified by many companies for automotive sealing systems such as trunk/boot and window surrounds, rubber door seals, etc.



Resilon offers you:

- Low VOCs: It's waterborne and free of NMP.
- Improved itch and squeak suppression.
- Outstanding abrasion resistance.
- Superb haptic properties.
- Controlled friction: 0.1 to 1.0.
- Excellent resistance to the elements.
- Ideal for extrusion and corner mouldings.
- A variety of colours plus black.

Resilon 2020 Performance				
Property	Specifications	Results		
Itch & Squeak	Noise test GM9842P Rev.D	0.2-1 sone		
Friction	0.3 (Toyota) 0.9 (Ford) 1.0 (GM)	Pass Pass Pass		
Cleaner Resistance	GMN 10059 GM 9770P	Pass Pass		
Weatherometer VW1303 PV3929 PV3930	AE<3.0	Pass		
Crocking Dry	Ford - WSB-M2D49A2 300 cycles	Pass Rating 5		
Crocking Wet	Ford - WSB-M2D49A2 300 cycles	Pass Rating 5		
Abras. VW 50129 Jeans Test	10,000 cycles	Pass		
Cold Flexibility	DBL 5578.30	Pass		
70°C/160°F Water Immersion 24 Hrs.				

Resilon provides UV protection, noise suppression, all-weather resistance.

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Noise comparison: industry leaders

Glass run → Resilon/Xylan

he requirements for glass runs and other profiles subject to significant abrasion on a constant basis are particularly demanding, and Whitford offers ideal solutions in both waterborne (Resilon) and solvent-borne (Xylan) systems.

These products give flexible window seals many benefits, including high abrasion resistance, low consistent-friction values and low operational-noise qualities, all major advantages over traditional flock technologies.

They provide improved window speed as well as superior freeze-release under the coldest of circumstances.



Resilon and Xylan offer you:

- Low friction (0.1 to 0.5).
- Superior abrasion resistance.
- Choice of waterborne or solvent-borne technology.
- Very low noise (below 3 sones).
- Choice of smooth or particulated grades.
- Excellent weathering.
- Available in low-cure-temperature grades.
- An ideal flock replacement.

Glass-run seals provide	Resilon 2120/21 Performance		
maximum satisfaction over extended time when coated	Property	Specifications	Results
with Resilon or Xylan.	Abrasion Resistance	Toyota/GM 3 kg Load 10,000 cycles	Pass
		Suzuki Muddy Water 3 kg 5,000 cycles	Pass
		VW 50129 Jeans Test 10,000 cycles	50,000 cycles Pass
	Friction	FIAT ≤ 0.2 Toyota 0.3 GM	Pass Pass Pass
	Crock	GM14170 Wet, Dry, Solvent	Pass
	ltch & Squeak	GM9842B Rev D	1.0 Sones Pass
	Weathering	GMW 14650 3,000 hrs $\emptyset E \le 3$	Pass
The Bugatti Veyron, the world's most		SAE J2527 2500KJ ØE ≤ 3	Pass
expensive production car, specifies Resilon.	Water Immersion	Whitford Test 153K 80°C/175°F, 96 hrs	Excellent adhesion

Special applications \rightarrow Resilon/Xylan

hitford's extensive range of water- and solvent-borne coatings has been tailored to meet the precise performance demands of numerous rubber, plastic and fabric components within a typical car. These include o-rings, gaskets, trim panels, buttons and moulding.

In addition to providing leading topcoat technology, Whitford has advanced water- and solvent-borne primer technology to assure outstanding adhesion promotion on the most challenging of substrates.



Resilon and Xylan offer you:

- Controlled friction.
- Low noise surface-to-surface contact.
- Excellent chemical and abrasion resistance.
- Soft haptic and colours.
- Assembly aids and flock coating.
- Low-temperature cure.
- Leading primer technology.



Steering systems \rightarrow Xylan

Steering systems turn to Xylan for a variety of important functions, not the least of which is the collapsible steering column in which the energy-dissipation management must be flawless on the first day the car is driven and every day thereafter.

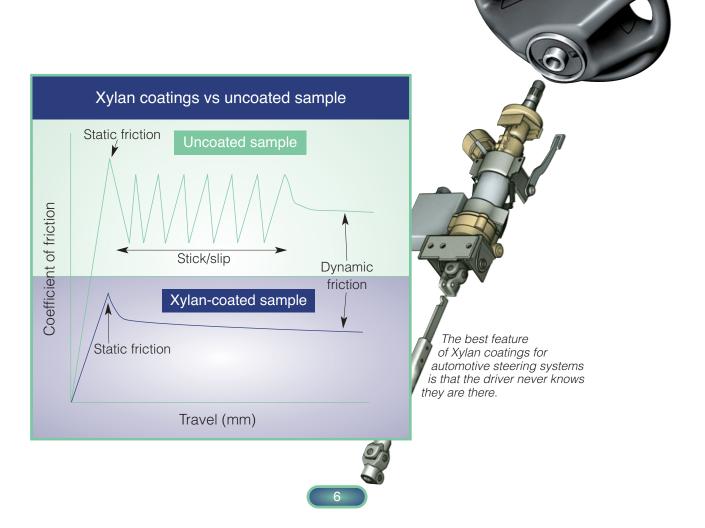
Different Xylan coatings solve different problems by providing dry-film lubrication, uniform CoF, stick/slip prevention, excellent resistance to corrosion and chemicals, reliable freeze-release, etc.

Xylan coatings are specified for crash tubes, mounting brackets/plates, cam plates, capsules, shafts, column-locking mechanisms, etc.



Xylan offers you:

- Minimization of moments of inertia.
- Smooth, safe operation.
- Consistent performance for the life of the vehicle.
- Minimization of stick/slip.
- Outstanding resistance to wear.
- Worry-free freeze-release.



Fasteners → Xylan

ylan coatings and automotive fasteners have been a winning combination for more than 25 years.

Xylan has become the wear-resistant, anti-friction coating that more and more manufacturers have turned to for consistent, fail-safe reliability.

Xylan coatings are also used extensively, from clips to washers, from fixings to rivets, in automotive platforms everywhere.



Xylan offers you:

- Extremely precise torque tension.
- Outstanding rust/corrosion resistance.
- Excellent adhesion and resistance to wear, abrasion, chipping.
- No production of dust.
- User-friendly, easy application.
- Water- or solvent-borne options.
- Rich black and colours.

	Xylan 5200 Series		
	Coefficient of friction range	OEM	Specification covered
	0.12 - 0.18	Ford	WZ 100
	0.08 - 0.16	VW	VW 01129
	0.11 - 0.17	Ford	WZ 101
	VW	TL 246	
		GM	GME 0255
	0.08 - 0.14	GM	GM 6046M
		Chrysler	PS 7001
		BMW	GS 90010
		Honda	D02008-5
		Renault	01-71-002/Q
	0.12 - 0.18	Peugeot/ Citroen	B152230

Fasteners coated with Xylan have been doing their job for more than 25 years on automotive platforms around the world — in every different type of climate.

Pistons \rightarrow **Xylan**

hitford has been providing anti-friction coating solutions for pistons in both automotive engines and air conditioning units for years.

Xylan coatings have been tailored to combine the characteristics of the best engineering polymer binders with bonded lubricants to achieve unrivaled anti-friction protection for the life of the vehicle.

Whitford's practice of close partnership with our customers to create unique formulations that achieve maximum performance for different application methods has been of particular benefit.



Xylan offers you:

- Very low friction under load.
- Excellent temperature stability.
- Outstanding resistance to chemicals such as automotive fluids.
- Superb dry-film lubrication.
- Performance that lasts the life of the vehicle.
- Smooth, uniform operation.

Xylan on pistons					
Property	Typical	Method			
CoF static	0.11 - 0.14	ASTM D4518-85			
CoF dynamic	0.06 - 0.10	Stanhope Seta Rig			
Abrasion resistance*	22 - 23	ASTM D-3363			
Hardness (pencil)	>8H				
Wear depth**	2.1 - 2.5	Stanhope Seta Rig			

* Litres of sand/25µ

** μ/100 hours (X).0001xPxV

NOTE: Dynamic coefficient of friction and wear depth were determined by using a modified Stanhope Seta Thrust Washer test rig with coated pieces running against an annular thrust washer of EN31 steel hardened and tempered to 850 V.P.N. and with a surface finish of 12 micro-inches. Xylan withstands all the many chemicals used in automotive fluids.

Pistons coated with Xylan perform for the life of the vehicle.

Special applications \rightarrow Xylan

ylan high-performance coatings are the ideal solutions for typical automotive problems such as friction, freeze-release and noise.

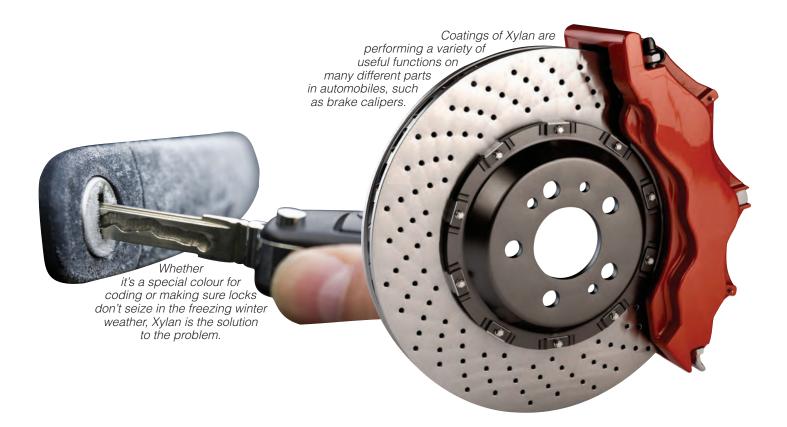
Whitford's variety of anti-friction coatings with hydrophobic properties offer noise-reducing solutions in numerous applications, from locks to solenoids, latches to bearings.

Whitford's ability to adjust formulae to improve performance has been key to our being specified by many manufacturers.



Xylan offers you:

- Dry-film lubrication.
- Controlled friction.
- High wear resistance.
- High load-bearing capabilities.
- Conductive or insulating properties.
- Low surface energy.
- Colour identification.
- Superb corrosion and chemical resistance.



Solutions \rightarrow Whitford

he average car has about 10,000 moving components. These, of course, are often evolving, which means that the coatings some of them require must evolve, too.

That is what we think we do best.

If we don't have the right coating to solve your problem, we'll develop one that will.

As we said in the early days, "We are not in the business of selling coatings. We are in the business of solving problems for our customers. Coatings and related technology are only the means by which we solve the problems."

What problems can we solve for you?



Whitford offers you:

- Years of experience in solving problems for the auto industry, including friction, wear, corrosion, chemical attack, noise suppression, weathering, freezerelease.
- The most extensive portfolio of waterand solvent-borne coatings available.
- Offices and factories in the major markets of the world.
- Unequaled investment in research and development.



No matter what platform you have under wraps, Whitford coatings can help solve whatever problems your engineers may face.

Whitford \rightarrow Worldwide



Whitford Brazil, São Paulo



Whitford China, Jiangmen City



Whitford Italy, Brescia



Whitford UK, Runcorn

hitford has 11 factories in eight major markets, sales offices in 11 other countries and sales agents in 25 more. We have more than



Whitford Singapore, Tuas Basin Close



Whitford United States, Pennsylvania

500 employees speaking some 30 different languages and dialects. We manufacture the largest, most complete line of fluoropolymer coatings in the world.



Whatever your automotive coating problem, Whitford probably has the right product to solve it. If not, we'll work with you to develop the coating that will.

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Where good ideas come to the surface

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