



# **Compressed Air Distribution System**

SmartPipe+™

from 3/4" to 2-1/2"

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### **Compressed Air Piping**

Kaeser's SmartPipe+ is a modular compressed air distribution system that provides both lower installation costs and lower long term operating costs. It offers an excellent choice for compressed air and inert gas distribution for pressures up to 232 psig (consult factory for higher pressures) and in temperatures from -22°F to 248°F. SmartPipe+ is also ideal for vacuum up to 98.3% (29.5" Hg).

### Innovation you can trust

With a cutting edge research and development team committed to building industry-leading products, Kaeser continues to deliver better solutions to meet our customers' compressed air needs. Kaeser's expertise and world-wide reputation for superior reliability and efficiency offer great performance and peace of mind.

### Rugged reliability

Kaeser's SmartPipe+ is designed to meet our rigorous "built for a lifetime" standard. Its smooth interior and no-leak fittings ensure low pressure drop and prevent contaminant build-up. Using SmartPipe+ with Kaeser's line of rotary screw compressors and air treatment components will give you years of energy efficient operation.

### **Piping selection**

Piping selection directly affects the three key elements of every compressed air system: flow, pressure, and air quality. Poor choices in pipe materials, diameter, and layout cause flow restrictions, often resulting in significant pressure drop. Pressure drop is the main cause of increased energy consumption and underperforming air driven tools and equipment.

#### Installation costs

Choices in piping also directly impact installation costs. Heavier materials cause fatigue and slow work, especially in overhead installations. The types of fittings used must also be considered. Some connection types cause pressure drop, need special tools, and take more time to install. The combination of lightweight materials and connectors dramatically reduces labor and installation time for SmartPipe+, especially in overhead installations.



### What's so smart about SmartPipe+?

### Optimum flow and air quality

The smooth calibrated aluminum construction of SmartPipe+ has a low coefficient of friction, providing the best possible laminar flow. Full bore fittings further minimize pressure drop for optimum flow and energy efficiency. Leak free connectors prevent air loss and wasted energy.

SmartPipe+ is ideal for installations requiring the highest quality air. Aluminum material will not rust or corrode. Further, it has no rough surfaces or interior restrictions that accumulate contaminants. The smooth interior with full bore design allows them to flow to your dryers and filters for efficient removal.

### **Unique fittings**

All SmartPipe+ pipe and fittings are made of aluminum. Fittings are easy to install and are contractor-friendly. Their robust design means they can withstand harsh environments without leaking or cracking.



Inside remains smooth and clean with no contaminant build up or pressure loss. Shown here is a 5-year cutaway.

### Wide scope of supply

SmartPipe+ is available in five sizes from 63 mm down to 20 mm and is perfect for use as headers, branch lines, and drops to point of use.

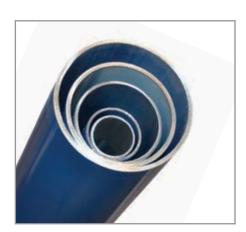
Outside Ø (in.)	Outside Ø (mm)
3/4	20
1	25
1-1/2	40
2	50
2-1/2	63



Robust valves and fittings for ease of installation and minimized pressure losses.

The SmartPipe+ line includes all the accessories you need for a top quality installation:

- · straight unions
- · elbows and tees
- · cross connectors
- · reducing fittings
- gooseneck drops
- · ball valves
- · quick assembly brackets and hangers
- · snap-shut pipe clips
- · expansion and flex hoses
- variety of ISO 4414/EN983 compliant safety couplers



Rigid aluminum calibrated pipe ensures clean air and optimum flow rate performance.



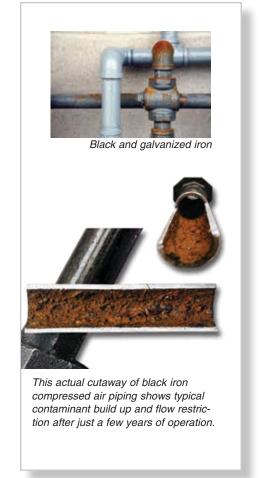




## **Pipe material selection**

Common compressed air piping materials with their advantages and disadvantages.

Material	Advantages	Disadvantages
Black Iron	Moderate material costs  Readily available in multiple sizes	Labor intensive installation  May rust and leak  Rough inside promotes contaminant build up and creates pressure drop
Galvanized Iron	Moderate material costs Readily available in multiple sizes Some rust protection	Labor intensive installation Rough inside promotes contaminant build up and creates pressure drop May rust at joints and leak Often only exterior is coated
Copper	No rust, good air quality Smooth interior-low pres- sure drop	Requires quality brazing to prevent leaks Susceptible to thermal cycling Installation requires open flame
Stainless Steel	No rust, good air quality Smooth interior-low pressure drop	Labor intensive installation  Expensive materials
PVC	Lightweight Inexpensive	Safety In certain areas, not compliant with code



### **Materials**

SmartPipe+ components are non-flammable and 100% recyclable. Piping is constructed of 6063-T5 calibrated alloy aluminum and is blue powder-coated outside. Pipe, fittings, and valves are guaranteed silicone free.

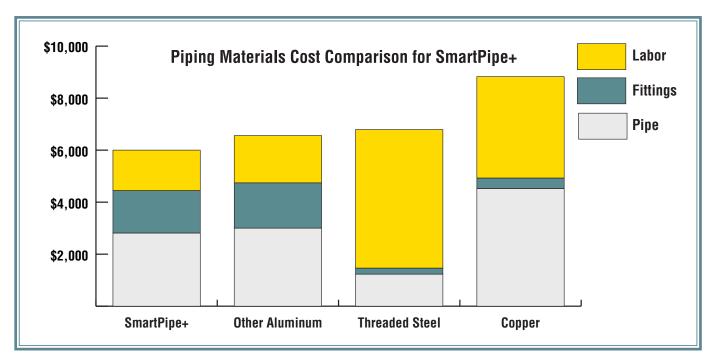
Connectors are compression type, manufactured in aluminum alloy ASTM B.26-356.0. The fitting bodies are black cataphoresis coated. The connectors are the same type throughout the entire SmartPipe+ range.





## **Cost comparison**

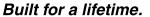
When you factor in material and labor costs, SmartPipe+ offers a clear savings advantage.



Based on: 500 feet of 2" pipe, sixteen elbows, seven tees, and ten couplings. Labor rates calculated by using MCAA labor with rates factored at 0.70.







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