

Z-fibers

3D FABRIC // 3D BILLET VERTICALLY REINFORCED

Discover the potential of the third dimension: **SAERTEX** 3D Fabric // 3D Billet are reinforced with Z-fibers throughout the entire thickness of the material, in addition to the fibers in the 0° and 90° directions. This innovative textile construction can be produced using various raw materials ranging from glass, carbon and aramid to ceramic fibers and metal wires. It is available in two versions:

- **3D** Fabric as roll stock (1,000 to 5,100 g /m² weight per unit area)
- 3D Billets as plates with thicknesses of up to 50 mm (45–55% fiber volume fraction)
- 1 Increased impact resistance in the finished element Protection from delamination through the structural reinforcement in the Z direction due to the thickness of the material.
- **2** Greater strength without undulation of the fibers No stress concentrations due to waviness // no reduction of fiber-oriented strength in the textile.
- 3 **Time savings during placement in the mold** Heavy textiles mean faster processing thanks to the reduced number of required layers.
- Faster infusion rates, faster lamination Outstanding flow properties through the 3D fiber construction // Fast production of thick and large components.

Structure of SAERTEX 3D textile

Multiple layers oriented in 0° and 90° directions have Z-fibers running through them vertically, connecting them to each other.

3D Fabric:

Roll stock with 3 or fewer layers in 0° orientation. Standard width: 1.524 m (max. 3.0 m)

3D Billet:

Flat billets with 4 or more layers in 0° orientation. Thickness: up to 50 mm // Max. width: 830 mm (depending on the thickness)



Mechanical properties compared to a laminate of 2D woven fabric



Also available in integral preform shapes

- Areas with two or more separate thicknesses possible (in the form of a π, H, T, I)
- Thickness can vary over the width
- Thickness can vary over the length







For applications and information – including the 3D Fabric product video – please visit **www.saertex.com/3D**

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