

## **Flexible Tanks for Water, Fuel and Waste**

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Nauta Flexible Tanks provide many advantages over rigid tanks and have, therefore, become very popular with both yacht-builders and boat-owners.

Each of these tanks uses an extremely rugged 840-denier nylon fabric, coated on both sides with a



neoprene/nitrile compound. Heavily lapped seams are inside-reinforced with a "doubler" to provide extra strength.

All Nauta tanks are vulcanized to assure leakproof panels and seams for years of trouble-free service. And all are covered by warranty.

Because of their flexibility and the Nauta range of sizes, these tanks can fit into almost any space, especially those odd-shaped places that would otherwise be wasted.

Nauta tanks are very easy to work with. Several models are available with fittings already installed. However, Nauta's construction also allows custom placement of fittings to suit your particular requirements and makes it simple to install them. The low cost of tanks and installation appeals to everyone.

	Maximum Capacity U.S. Gallons	Dimensions (inches) When Empty	Reference Number	Reference Number Without Fittings
Water Neoprene/Nitrile with Tedlar <sup>™</sup> Liner Including fittings and spanner wrench (2 x FTP1210, FTPE300, FTP010)	13 23.5 35.5 52.5	26.5 x 24.5 26.5 x 33.5 26.5 x 45.5 26.5 x 62.5	FT911121 FT911157 FT911167 FT911187	FT911120 FT911150 FT911160 FT911180
Sewage Holding or Small Diesel Fuel: Neoprene/Nitrile with Tedlar <sup>™</sup> Lining	13 25 37 52.5	27 x 25 27 x 34 27 x 46 27 x 63	FT915120 FT915150 FT915160 FT915180	
Sewage Holding Neoprene/Nitrile with Tedlar <sup>®</sup> Lining Complete with Fittings Installed (2 x FTP2221, FTPE300, FTP010)	14.5 25	27 x 25 27 x 34	FT915122 FT915152	
Large Diesel Fuel Neoprene/Nitrile Complete with Tie-Down Straps & Bronze Fittings Installed (FTP3254, FTP2254)	53 80 125 200 300 400	27 x 63 55 x 50 55 x 60 55 x 80 55 x 110 55 x 143	FT915680 FT945621 FT945622 FT945624 FT945626 FT945628	
Portable Outboard Fuel Tanks Rectangular, complete with Fittings Installe (FTP700, FTP610 or *FTP400: FB521131 and FB521133)	6 9 13 18	24.4 x 18.3 x 9.1 26.4 x 18.3 x 11 33.1 x 18.3 x 11 32.2 x 18.3 x 13	FB521100 FB521101 FB521102 FB521103	FB521131* FB521133*
Triangular, complete with Fittings Installed	9 18 5.3 18	29 x 17 x 10 29 x 17 x 12 31 x 27 x 4 x 2 80 x 70 x 20 x 5	FB521151 FB521153 FB521RESCUE FB521RESCUE	
Tubular, complete with Fittings Installed	10.5 10.5	17.7 W x 55.1 L 17.7 W x 55.1 L	FB915200 FB915201	

Dimensions (except on outboard tanks) are for empty tanks; when tanks are mounted horizontally and filled, these dimensions reduce by 10%–15%. The filled depth (highest to lowest point) ranges from 12" to 16", depending on tank size. Stated capacities are given for optimum expanding conditions (a flexible tank conforms to and is limited by the space in which it is mounted).

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A flexible tank is unique in operation: as liquid is drawn out, the tank "collapses." This not only eliminates the need for venting of water tanks but also minimizes free-surfacing action (turbulence in the airspace above liquid) which dramatically reduces sloshing and its noise.

Our most popular application is also the easiest way to increase or replace water capacity on boats whose tankage is inadequate or deteriorated.

Nauta flexible water tanks use an exclusive Tedlar<sup>™</sup> inside lining to maintain a taste-free system: most PVC, fiberglass, other plastics and metals contribute a distinct, unpleasant flavor to fresh water; Tedlar does not. No venting is required for water tanks, only a fill pipe and a simple draw line to head and/or galley pumps. 5-year warranty coverage.

These tanks are also popular among some sailors who use them as ballast tanks, knowing that the contents can also be used for emergency drinking water.

The more rigorously enforced laws against overboard discharge now make non-compliance extremely costly. A Nauta flexible holding tank, on the other hand, provides a relatively inexpensive Type III solution. In addition, the Tedlar<sup>™</sup> lining of these Nauta tanks prevents gas permeation, thus stopping a major odor problem with many other holding tanks.

Combined with a few other components, this solution is both legal and far less costly than replumbing a vessel or installing a more complex and expensive Type I or Type II system: it occupies less space and requires no electrical power. The illustrated example would allow those travelling into unrestricted waters to pump overboard. 1-year warranty coverage.

Nauta flexible diesel tanks can dramatically extend the range of diesel-powered sail and motor yachts. They can deck or cockpit mount to gravity feed (or be hand-pumped to) tankage belowdecks. And, when empty, these flexible tanks can be rolled up and stowed!

Sport and commercial fishermen heading into offshore waters and cruisers visiting remote ports (where refueling may be unavailable or of suspect quality) will find these Nauta tanks an ideal, low cost solution.

Nauta diesel tanks of 53 gallon capacity and larger are supplied with adjustable hold-down straps with D-rings. Two N.P.T. brass fittings  $({}^{3}/{}^{4}"$  and  $1{}^{1}/{}^{2}")$  allow this system to connect with conventional fuel-line piping. 1-year warranty coverage.

\* The tank as pictured shows additional fittings not included with standard tanks.



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Nauta flexible outboard tanks are a remarkable improvement over the traditional painted metal tanks. Perhaps the most noticeable change: they don't leave rust rings on the floorboards or cockpit sole.

These roll-up-when-empty tanks offer convenience in use and in stowage. They are also more comfortable to carry than most rigid tanks. They cannot rust, won't scrape your paint, are easier to tie down and don't rattle when you're underway.

Available in 6, 9, 13 and 18 gallon capacities, they show by their size how much fuel remains inside. While slightly more expensive than metal, Nauta flexible outboard motor fuel tanks are a far better long-term solution. 1-year warranty coverage.



While many of our tanks are supplied with a fittings package, you may wish to select additional fittings to optimize your tank for a particular installation. Below is a selection of our most popular fittings.



**FTP2221** 90° Fill -1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>"



**FTP311** 90° Drawing Nipple –<sup>5</sup>/8"



**FTP720** Extended Straight Fill with Cap -1<sup>1</sup>/<sup>2</sup>"



**FTP1210** Straight Fill  $-1^{1/2}$ "



**FTP400** Straight Drawing Nipple –<sup>1</sup>/4"



**FTP700** 90° Extended Straight Fill with Cap  $-1^{1/2}$ "



**FTP1300** Straight Drawing Nipple -1/2"



FTP010 Spanner Wrench



**FTP3254** N.P.T. Brass Fitting with Cap  $-1^{1}/2^{2}$ 



**FTPE300** Vent (Fuel or Holding) –<sup>5</sup>/8"



**FTP215** Straight Fill with Cap –1"



**FTP2254** N.P.T. Brass Fitting with Cap -3/4"

When ordering a Nauta flexible tank, you must specify whether that tank will be used for water, holding or diesel fuel.

Each Nauta tank is supplied with a card providing easy-to-follow installation and maintenance instructions.

For installation, tanks should be positioned in a shaped bed in a space free of protrusions. Fittings which need to be installed can be positioned and mounted in just minutes using scissors and a Nauta wrench (#FTP010); always mount fittings on the top of tanks to prevent wear on the tanks.

Flexible tanks are easier to maintain than rigid tanks because they can be removed for cleaning, inspection or

repair without structural work. They will not corrode and are impervious to saltwater and other liquids they might encounter belowdecks.

Periodic maintenance recommendations for water tanks offer common-sense steps that should be followed for any water tankage to prevent the buildup of micro-organisms which degrade the taste and can affect potability.

