# COMPOSITE PRESSURE VESSELS

Missiles, Rockets, Aircraft, Satellites and Space Launch Vehicles

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## LIGHTWEIGHT COMPOSITE OVERWRAPPED PRESSURE VESSELS (COPV)

ENGINEERING SAMPLE DO NOT PRESSURIZE

General Dynamics Ordnance and Tactical Systems has extensive experience in the design, development, qualification and integration of lightweight composite overwrapped pressure vessels for aircraft, satellite, launch vehicle and missile platforms.

Our pressure vessels combine a permeation barrier (liner) with a filament-wound outer shell. The liners are made from a wide variety of materials depending on customer requirements in order to optimize the design while maintaining cost objectives. Materials can include aluminum, corrosion-resistant steel (CRES), Inconel<sup>®</sup>, titanium and thermoplastic.



**Space Launch System & Orion Crew Module** Photo courtesy of NASA © 2022

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Pressure vessels range in size and shape to suit a wide variety of customer needs. Applications include military and commercial aircraft flotation and emergency power, missile control, and launch vehicle and satellite propulsion subsystems.

# Fast Facts

### **PLATFORMS**

- » Spacecraft
- » Aircraft
- » Satellite
- » Launch Vehicles
- » Missiles

### APPLICATIONS

- Military and Commercial Aircraft Flotation and Emergency Power
- » Missile Control
- » Launch Vehicles
- » Satellite Propulsion Systems

### DESIGN, ANALYSIS AND PRODUCTION PROCESSES

- » Filament Winding
- » Hydrostatic Proof Testing
- » Thin Wall Welding
- » Complete Tool Design
- » Precision-Machining
- Manufacture to
  Performance Specifications

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