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SIKAFLEX-1A ELASTOMERIC JOINT SEALANT / ADHESIVE

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“COMPATIBILITY STATEMENT“

Dear Mr. Reber:
Thank you for your interest in Sika products.

This letter is provided in response to your email request dated May 9th, and this department’s understanding of your company’s reported continued successful use of the Sikaflex-1A product in a particular application over the past 9 years.

Please accept this as a restatement of compatibility, that Sika Corporation’s Technical Services Department has no objection to the use of Sikaflex-1A elastomeric, polyurethane sealant as a gasket sealant in secondary containment sump environments, where the sealant may be subjected to limited exposure of substances such as groundwater, unleaded gasoline, petroleum-based oils, diesel fuel, biodiesel-blended fuels, jet fuel, methanol-blended fuels, and ethanol-blended fuels at the edge of the application, wherein the material is covered by the Icon ProTex material fitting, and provided all other published recommendations are followed in strict accordance with the current product data sheet.

Sika Corporation has not directly performed application-specific testing per Icon Containment Solutions’ description of the sealant application, simulating the product’s actual or intended use. However, Sika Corporation recognizes that independent compatibility testing to current testing protocols for the application stated above has been completed by Icon per documentation provided to Sika. This information and data are presumed to be available to all interested parties upon request. This restatement of compatibility is provided based solely on that testing, and the report of the products' success per your statements on May 9th as shared below:

“To date, this specific application has been submitted by Icon for numerous rounds of successful independent testing (UL and otherwise) to current ASTM fuel compatibility testing

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protocols. Over a million ProTex material fittings have been installed per this procedure successfully, without showing any degradation over the repair life in the field. Again, the only specified application has remained the same since our initial approval by Sika Corporation in 2013, that it is applied as a gasket sealant between materials, and not directly exposed to the sump environment. The product design hasn't changed any since the original discussion. The reason for a gasket sealant is that the pipe and sump/fitting surfaces between the Icon repair fitting may have some micro deformity (scratches, dimples, etc), that when the mechanical compression design flexible fitting is pressed over that surface, the thin coat of sealant fills that in and provides additional assurance that we are getting a complete compression seal."

The following photo has been provided by Icon to Sika Corporation's Technical Services Department as an example of expected workmanship of the application completed with fitting over the Sikaflex-1A sealant. It is noted that the visually exposed Sikaflex-1A sealant allows only incidental exposure at the edge of the fitting that testing has proven to be inconsequential to the overall seal. It is our understanding that per Icon instruction, the excess sealant is to be removed, and any minor residual sealant on the exposed surfaces is inconsequential to the installation and seal.



As in all applications, the suitability of a polyurethane sealant should be reviewed, determined and/or approved by the design professional in charge of the actual product installation.

Should there be further questions, please feel free to contact Sika's Technical Services Department at telephone number 800 933 7452.

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Respectfully submitted,
Sika Corporation



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Enclosures:

Product Data Sheet (dated August 2019, version 01.01) for Sikaflex-1A elastomeric joint sealant / adhesive (5 pages)

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sikaflex[®]-1A

Elastomeric joint sealant / adhesive

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Sikaflex[®]-1A is a premium-grade, high-performance, moisture-cured, 1-component, polyurethane-based, non-sag elastomeric sealant. Sikaflex-1a can be used in green and damp concrete applications. Meets Federal Specification TT-S-00230C, Type II, Class A. Meets ASTM C-920, Type S, Grade NS, Class 35, use T, NT, O, M, G, I, A. Canadian standard CAN/CGSB 19.13-M87.

USES

- Designed for all types of joints where maximum depth of sealant will not exceed 1/2 in.
- Excellent for small joints and fillets, windows, door frames, reglets, flashing, common roofing detail applications, and many construction adhesive applications.
- Suitable for vertical and horizontal joints; readily placeable at 40°F
- Has many applications as an elastic adhesive between materials with dissimilar coefficients of expansion.
- Submerged conditions, such as canal and reservoir joints.

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Eliminates time, effort, and equipment for mixing, filling cartridges, pre-heating or thawing, and cleaning of equipment.
- Fast tack-free and final cure times.
- High elasticity - cures to a tough, durable, flexible consistency with exceptional cut and tear -resistance.
- Stress relaxation.
- Excellent adhesion - bonds to most construction materials without a primer.
- Excellent resistance to aging, weathering.

- Proven in tough climates around the world.
- Can be applied to green concrete 24 hours after pour
- Can be applied to damp concrete 1 hour after getting wet
- Odorless, non-staining.
- Jet fuel resistant.
- Certified to the NSF/ANSI Standard 61 for potable water.
- Urethane-based; suggested by EPA for radon reduction.
- Paintable with water-, oil- and rubber-based paints.
- Capable of ±35% joint movement.

APPROVALS / STANDARDS

- ASTM C 920, Type S, Grade NS, Class 35, use NT, A, M
- Federal specification TT-S-00230 C Type II, Class A
- Canadian Standard CAN/CGSB 19.13-M87
- Certified to NSF/ANSI standard 61 for portable water

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Packaging	10.1 fl. oz. (300 mL) Cartridge, 20 fl. oz. uni-pac Sausages, 4.5 gal (17 L) in a 5 gal pail, 52 gal (197 L) in a 55 gal drum
Color	White, colonial white, aluminum gray, limestone, black, dark bronze, capitol tan, stone and medium bronze. Special architectural colors on request.
Shelf Life	Cartridge and Sausage: 12 months in original, unopened packaging. Pail and Drum: 6 months in original, unopened packaging.
Storage Conditions	Store at 40°-95°F (4°-35°C).

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Shore A Hardness	(21 day) 45±5	(ASTM C 661)												
Tensile Stress at Specified Elongation	<u>21 day Tensile Stress</u> <u>175 psi (1.21 MPa)</u> <u>Stress @ 100%</u> <u>85 psi (0,59 N/mm²)</u>	(ASTM D 412)												
Elongation at Break	550 %	(ASTM D-412)												
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Concrete	20 lbs	0 %												
Aluminium	20 lbs	0 %												
Glass	20 lbs	0 %												
Tear Strength	55 lb./in.	(ASTM D-624)												
Movement Capability	±35 %	(ASTM C-719)												
Chemical Resistance	Good resistance to water, diluted acids, and diluted alkalines. Consult Technical Service for specific data.													
Resistance to Weathering	Excellent													
Service Temperature	-40 °F to +170 °F													

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Coverage	10.1 oz Cartridge: Yield in Linear Feet			
	Width/Depth	1/4"	3/8"	1/2"
	1/4"	24.3		
	3/8"	16.2	10.8	
	1/2"	12.1	8.1	6.1
	3/4"	8.1	5.4	4.0
	1"			3.0
	1.25"			2.4
	1.5"			2.0

20 oz Sausage: Yield in Linear Feet

Width/Depth	1/4"	3/8"	1/2"
1/4"	48.1		
3/8"	32.1	21.4	
1/2"	24.1	16.0	12.0
3/4"	16.0	10.7	8.0
1"			6.0
1.25"			4.8
1.5"			4.0

1 gallon: Yield in Linear Feet

Width/Depth	1/4"	3/8"	1/2"
1/4"	307.9		
3/8"	205.3	136.8	
1/2"	153.9	102.6	77.0
3/4"	102.6	68.4	51.3
1"			38.5
1.25"			30.8
1.5"			25.7

Cure Time Final cure: 4 to 7 days

Curing Rate Tack-free time 3 to 6 hours
Tack-free to touch 3 hours

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

Product Conditioning: Condition material to 65°-75°F before using.

Clean all surfaces. Joint walls must be sound, clean, frost-free, and free of oil and grease. Curing compound residues and any other foreign matter must be thoroughly removed. A roughened surface will also enhance bond. Install bond breaker tape or backer rod to prevent bond at base of joint. Priming is not usually necessary. Most substrates only require priming if testing indicates a need or where sealant will be subjected to water immersion after cure.

For green concrete applications control joints must be cut 8 hours prior to sealant installation and in expansion joint forms must be removed 4 hours prior to sealant installation. For wet concrete applications all excess or standing water must be displaced and concrete must then dry for a minimum of 60 min prior to sealant installation. Consult Sikaflex Primer Technical Data Sheet or Technical Service for additional information on priming.

APPLICATION METHOD / TOOLS

Recommended application temperatures: 40°-100°F. For cold weather application, condition units at approximately 70°F; remove prior to using. For best performance, Sikaflex-1a should be gunned into joint when joint slot is at mid-point of its designed expansion

and contraction. Place nozzle of gun into bottom of the joint and fill entire joint. Keep the nozzle in the sealant, continue on with a steady flow of sealant preceding the nozzle to avoid air entrapment. Avoid overlapping of sealant to eliminate entrapment of air.

Sikaflex-1a can be applied on green concrete after the concrete has cured for a minimum of 24 hours at 75°F. Control joints must be cut and open for min of 8 hours prior to application. Expansion joints must have forms removed a minimum of 4 hours prior to application. For damp concrete applications Sikaflex-1a can be applied 60 minutes after any and all water has been displaced.

Tooling & Finishing

Tool sealant to ensure full contact with joint walls and remove air entrapment. Joint dimension should allow for 1/4 inch minimum and 1/2 inch maximum thickness for sealant. Proper design is 2:1 width to depth ratio, For use in horizontal joints in traffic areas, the absolute minimum depth of the sealant is 1/2 in. and closed cell backer rod is recommended.

Removal

Use personal protective equipment (chemical resistant gloves/goggles/clothing). Without direct contact, remove spilled or excess product and placed in suitable sealed container. Dispose of excess product and container in accordance with applicable environmental regulations.

Over Painting

Allow 1-week cure at standard conditions when using Sikaflex-1a in total water immersion situations and prior to painting.

CLEANING OF TOOLS

Clean all tools and application equipment with Sika® Remover-208 immediately after use. Hardened material can only be removed mechanically. For cleaning skin use Sika® Cleaning Wipes-100.

AVAILABILITY/WARRANTY

- Pre-treatment Sealing and Bonding Chart
- Method Statement: Joint Sealing
- Method Statement: Joint Maintenance, Cleaning and Renovation
- Technical Manual: Facade Sealing

LIMITATIONS

- Allow 1 week cure at standard conditions when using Sikaflex-1a in total water immersion situations.
- When overcoating with water, oil and rubber based paints, compatibility and adhesion testing is essential.
- Sealant should be allowed to cure for 7 days prior to overcoating
- Avoid exposure to high levels of chlorine. (Maximum continuous level is 5 ppm of chlorine.)
- Maximum depth of sealant must not exceed 1/2 in.; minimum depth is 1/4 in.
- Maximum expansion and contraction should not exceed 35% of average joint width.
- Do not cure in the presence of curing silicone sealants.
- Avoid contact with alcohol and other solvent cleaners during cure.
- Do not apply when moisture-vapor-transmission condition exists from the substrate as this can cause bubbling within the sealant.
- Use opened cartridges and uni-pac sausages the same day.
- When applying sealant, avoid air-entrapment.
- Since system is moisture-cured, permit sufficient exposure to air.
- White color tends to yellow slightly when exposed to ultraviolet rays.
- Light colors can yellow if exposed to direct gas fired heating element.
- The ultimate performance of Sikaflex-1a depends on good joint design and proper application with joint surfaces properly prepared.
- The depth of sealant in horizontal joints subject to

traffic is 1/2 in.

- Do not tool with detergent or soap solutions.
- Do not use in contact with bituminous/asphaltic materials.
- In green concrete applications sealing joints in poor or low strength concrete 24 hours after pour may impact ability of sealant to gain proper adhesion.
- In damp concrete applications all standing water and excess water must be eliminated prior to the 60 minute waiting time.

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

Results may differ based upon statistical variations depending upon mixing methods and equipment, temperature, application methods, test methods, actual site conditions and curing conditions.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS

See Legal Disclaimer.

ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY

For further information and advice regarding transportation, handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, user should refer to the actual Safety Data Sheets containing physical, environmental, toxicological and other safety related data. User must read the current actual Safety Data Sheets before using any products. In case of an emergency, call CHEMTREC at 1-800-424-9300, International 703-527-3887.

LEGAL DISCLAIMER

- KEEP CONTAINER TIGHTLY CLOSED
- KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN
- NOT FOR INTERNAL CONSUMPTION
- FOR INDUSTRIAL USE ONLY
- FOR PROFESSIONAL USE ONLY

Prior to each use of any product of Sika Corporation, its subsidiaries or affiliates ("SIKA"), the user must always read and follow the warnings and instructions on the product's most current product label, Product Data Sheet and Safety Data Sheet which are available at usa.sika.com or by calling SIKA's Technical Service Department at 1-800-933-7452. Nothing contained in any SIKA literature or materials relieves the user of the obligation to read and follow the warnings and instructions for each SIKA product as set forth in the

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