

MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG

High performance, elastomeric joint sealant, (Gun Grade)

Description

MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG is a high grade, polysulphide based sealant possessing outstanding resistance to deterioration due to weathering, ozone, ultra-violet light and attack by chemicals present in industrial atmospheres. It has the ability to withstand repeated cycles of compression and extension over a wide temperature range, and has excellent adhesion properties to all materials commonly employed in building and construction work.

MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG is supplied in 3 litre sealed units for sealing horizontal and vertical joints where pronounced cyclical movement is expected and where the service conditions would be harsh for most common sealants. It is ideal for use in expansion joints in reinforced concrete structures such as bridges, reservoirs, water treatment works, sea walls and roads, etc. It can also be used in floor joints subject to heavy usage where a high resistance to damage is required.

*Typical properties

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| Colour | Grey |
| Solid content | 97% |
| Viscosity | Thixotropic paste |
| Tack free at 25°C | 24 hours |
| Staining | Generally non-staining |
| Slump Gun Grade | Nil |
| Hardness shore A | 22 |
| Application temperature | 5°C to 50°C |
| Recommended movement | Transverse $\pm 25\%$ M.A.F. (Movement Accommodation Factor) |

Packaging

Gun Grade: 3 litre sealed containers

Standards

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| ASTM C 920-02 | Type M, Class 25 |
| BS 5212 : Part 1 : 1990 | Compliance |
| WRAS | Approval for use in potable water |
| TT-S-00227E | General compliance |

Estimated set and cure times

| Property | 5°C | 10°C | 25°C | 40°C |
|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Pot life | 9 hrs | 6 hrs | 1 hrs | 45 min |
| Initial set | 5 days | 72 hrs | 24 hrs | 5 hrs |
| Full cure | 8 wks | 5 wks | 2 wks | 7 days |

Joint size

Joint size may range from a minimum of 5mm to a maximum of 50mm wide. Joints with cyclic movements should have a width:depth ratio 2:1 and designed so total movement does not exceed the 25% M.A.F. related to the joint width. Sealant depth shall not exceed joint width except joints subject to total immersion where joint profile should be 1:1.

Minimum sealant depth recommended:

- 5mm for metals, glass and other impervious surfaces.
- 10mm for all porous surfaces.
- 20mm for joints exposed to hydrostatic pressures.
- 5mm below flush for joints exposed to traffic.

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Application procedure

Joint preparation surface treatment:

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| Concrete & Masonry | Surfaces must be clean and dry. Wire brush thoroughly and remove dust and all contaminants. |
| Metals | Remove any corrosion or millscale by grit or shotblast, wirebrush, grinder or chemical remover. Degrease the surfaces with clean cloths soaked in oil-free cleansing solvent. |
| Wood (bare) | Wood surfaces must be clean and dry, cut back or abrade where necessary to sound timber. |
| Glass and glazed materials | Thoroughly clean the surfaces with clean cloths soaked in oil-free cleansing solvent. |
| Coating surfaces | Coating should be removed and the surfaces treated as above. |

Where required, a bond breaking tape should be applied before priming.

Priming:

The correct primer must always be used.

Surface application:

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Porous surfaces (such as concrete and masonry)

Non-porous surfaces (such as metals, glass and glazed surfaces).

- Application of primer should not be carried out below 4°C.
- A single coat of primer should be applied by brush in accordance with the instructions on the primer tins. The primer must be allowed to dry to a tack free state before applying MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG.
- MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG should be applied within 3 hours of primer, otherwise repriming will be necessary.

Application temperatures:

MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG should be applied when the ambient temperature is between 4°C and 50°C. When the temperature is below 10°C storage at room temperature for several hours will ease mixing and application.

Mixing MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG:

- Mix and use one complete unit at a time. Do not sub-divide.
- Gun grade is supplied in base / catalyst combined units.
- Mix for 5 - 10 minutes using a suitable paddle fitted to a 500 rpm electric drill moving the paddle completely through the mass of the material. The sides and base of the container should be periodically scraped down with a palette knife to ensure all of the catalyst is completely blended with the base compound.
- Failure to completely disperse catalyst throughout the base compound will result in uncured sealant. Once mixed MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG should be used immediately.

Application:

- MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG is formulated to be applied using a sealant gun but may be applied by trowel if required.
- Sealant guns are fitted with conical nozzles which can be cut to suit the joint width.
- The sealant should be gunned into the joint using an even trigger pressure, cleaning the nozzle occasionally to avoid contamination. Deep joints should be filled in two or more runs, to prevent air entrapment.

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- Once the sealant has been applied, a small timber spatula, soaked in soapy water, should be used to compact the sealant into the joints and to achieve a smooth polished finish. Any masking tape which has been applied should be removed before the sealant cures.

Mixing and application equipment should be cleaned immediately.

Coverage

MASTERFLEX[®] 700 GG (length of joint in metres filled per 1 litre of material)

| Depth of joint mm | Width of joint mm | | | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|------|------|------|------|
| | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 | 30 |
| 10 | 10 | 6.7 | 5 | 4 | 3.33 |
| 15 | | 4.45 | 3.33 | 2.67 | 2.23 |
| 20 | | | 2.5 | 2 | 1.67 |
| 25 | | | | 1.6 | 1.33 |

Storage

Store under cover out of direct sunlight and protect from extremes of temperature. In tropical climates the product must be stored in an air conditioned environment. Shelf life is at least 12 months when stored between 5°C and 35°C.

Safety precautions

The components and mixed sealant should not be left in contact with skin for prolonged periods. Gloves should be worn and the use of a barrier cream is strongly recommended. Solvent must not be used for cleaning the hands. Use an industrial cleaner and wash with soap and water. For further information including disposal

instructions refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet.

Note

Field service, where provided, does not constitute supervisory responsibility. For additional information contact your local BASF representative.

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Quality and care

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