BUILDING TRUST

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sikadur®-53

EPOXY CRACK INJECTION AND GROUTING RESIN FOR WET / UNDERWATER APPLICATIONS

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DESCRIPTION

Sikadur®-53 is a 2-part, epoxy, moisture resistant crack injection and grouting resin.

USES

Sikadur®-53 may only be used by experienced professionals.

- Crack Injection resin to seal damp and wet cracks by high pressure injection
- Fills and seals voids and cracks in structures such as bridges, civil engineering structures, industrial and residential buildings, e.g. columns, beams, foundations, walls, floors and water retaining structures
- Structural bonding
- Preventing ingress of water and infiltration of reinforcement corrosion promoting substances
- As a grouting resin or adhesive for bonding concrete and steel underwater (by water displacement)

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Suitable for dry, damp, wet and underwater conditions
- Application temperature range +5 °C to +30 °C
- Shrinkage free hardening
- Seals against moisture and oxygen
- Good adhesion to concrete, masonry, stone and steel substrates
- Good adhesion to salt-water immersed, cementitious substrates
- High density ensures good water displacement
- Good mechanical underwater strengths
- Minimum crack widths ≥ 0,8 mm
- Injectable with single component pumps

APPROVALS / CERTIFICATES

- CE Marking and Declaration of Performance to EN 1504-4 - Structural bonding
- CE Marking and Declaration of Performance to EN 1504-5 - Concrete Injection
- CE Marking and Declaration of Performance to EN 1504-6 - Anchoring of reinforcing steel bar

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Epoxy resin and selected fillers	
Packaging	Parts (A+B): 18 kg pre-batched unit:	
	Part A	16,0 kg container
	Part B	2,0 kg container
	Pallets of 702 kg (39 × 18 kg).	
Colour	Part A	Green
	Part B	Transparent
	Part A+B mixed	Green
Shelf life	24 months from date of production	

Storage conditions	The product must be stored in original, unopened and undamaged packaging in dry conditions at temperatures between +5 °C and +30 °C. Always refer to packaging.	
Density	Part A: ~2,35 kg/l Part B: ~1,02 kg/l Part A+B mixed: ~2,04 kg/l at +20 °C	(ISO 2811)
Viscosity	**Temperature** / **Part A+B mixed** +10°C: 15 200 mPa·s +20°C: ~5 800 mPa·s	(ISO 3219)

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Compressive Strength	**Time** / **+5 °C** / **+20 °C** 1 day: — / ~33 N/mm² 3 days: ~39 N/mm² / ~61 N/mm² 14 days: ~70 N/mm² / ~90 N/mm² Product cured and tested at temperatures indicated and grouted and cured underwater	(EN 12190)
Modulus of Elasticity in Compression	~6300 N/mm²	(EN 13412)
Tensile Strength in Flexure	**Time** / **+5 °C** / **+20 °C** 1 day: — / ~25 N/mm² 2 days: ~28 N/mm² / ~38 N/mm² 14 days: ~38 N/mm² / ~40 N/mm² Product cured and tested at temperatures indicated and grouted and cured underwater	(EN 53452)
Modulus of Elasticity in Flexure	~3300 N/mm²	(EN 53452)
Tensile Strength	~20 N/mm² (14 days at +20 °C) Product cured and tested at temperatures indicated and grouted and cured underwater	
Modulus of Elasticity in Tension	~4100 N/mm²	(ISO 527)
Elongation at Break	~0,6 %	(ISO 527)
Tensile Adhesion Strength	~2,5–3,5 N/mm² (concrete failure)	(ISO 4624, EN 1542)
Shrinkage	Hardens without shrinkage.	
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion	~7,5 × 10^{-5} 1/K (linear expansion between -20 °C and +60 °C)	(EN 1770)
Heat Deflection Temperature	~44 °C	(ASTM D-648)

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Mixing Ratio	Part A : Part B = 8,0 :1 parts (by weight) Part A : Part B = 3,6 :1 parts (by volume)
Layer Thickness	30 mm max.
Ambient Air Temperature	+5 °C min. / +30 °C max.
Substrate Temperature	+5 °C min. / +30 °C max.

Pot Life

Quantity: 20 kg

Temperature	Potlife
+8° C	~60 minutes
+20 °C	~30 minutes
+30° C	~15 minutes
+40° C	~7,5 minutes

The potlife begins when Parts A+B are mixed. It is shorter at high temperatures and longer at low temperatures. The greater the quantity mixed, the shorter the potlife. To obtain longer workability at high temperatures, the mixed adhesive may be divided into smaller quantities. Another method is to chill Parts A+B before mixing (not below +5 °C).

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

SUBSTRATE QUALITY

ADHESIVE & GROUTING

Concrete / masonry / mortar / stone

Concrete and mortar must be at least 28 days old. Verify the substrate strength to ensure design strengths are achieved.
Substrate surfaces can be dry, damp, wet or underwater, must be stable, clean, free from ice, dirt, oil, grease, coatings, laitance, efflorescence, old surface treatments, all loose particles and any other surface contaminants that could affect adhesion.

Steel

Surfaces must be clean, free from oil, grease, coatings, rust, scale, all loose particles and any other surface contaminants that could affect adhesion.

CRACK INJECTION

Cracks must be clean and either dry, damp, wet or underwater.

SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

ADHESIVE & GROUTING

Concrete / masonry / mortar / stone

Substrates must be prepared mechanically using suitable abrasive blast cleaning, needle gunning, light scabbling, bush hammering, grinding or other suitable equipment to achieve an open textured gripping surface profile.

Steel

Surfaces must be prepared mechanically using suitable abrasive blast cleaning, grinding, rotating wire brush or other suitable equipment to achieve a bright metal finish with a surface profile to satisfy the necessary tensile adhesion strength requirement. Avoid dew point conditions before and during application.

CRACK INJECTION

After inserting or bonding injection ports, cap the crack with a capping sealer, allow to cure then purge cracks with resin until the resin runs clean and contaminant free.

MIXING

Prior to mixing all parts, mix Part A (resin) briefly using a mixing spindle attached to a slow speed electric mixer (max. 400 rpm). Add Part B (hardener) to part A and mix Parts A+B continuously for at least 3 minutes until a uniformly coloured smooth consistency mix has been achieved. To ensure thorough mixing pour materials into a clean container and mix again for approximately 1 minute. Over mixing must be avoided to minimise air entrainment. Mix full units only. Mixing time for A+B = 4,0 minutes. Mix only the quantity which can be used within its pot life.
For use on damp, wet and underwater applications, after final mixing, wait 15 minutes (at +20 °C) to allow the mixture to pre-react for optimal adhesion.

APPLICATION METHOD / TOOLS

Strictly follow installation procedures as defined in method statements, application manuals and working instructions which must always be adjusted to the actual site conditions.

Adhesive

Apply the mixed material to the prepared surface with a spatula, trowel, notched trowel, (or with hands protected by gloves).

Grouting resin

Position steel components away from the bonding substrate, use props where necessary to support steel vertical or overhead. Seal the edges to leave 1 edge open to pour the grouting resin. When applied underwater, use funnel / feed hopper systems connected with flexible tubes to provide enough hydrostatic height / pressure. Then pour the material underwater through the funnel / feed hopper system.

Crack Injection

Preliminary trials must be carried out by a competent applicator experienced in crack injection using injection equipment and appropriate injection pressures.

CLEANING OF EQUIPMENT

Removal of fresh remnants from tools and application equipment can be carried out using Sika® Colma immediately after use. Hardened material can only be mechanically removed.

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

- Do not add solvent to the product.
- At higher temperatures pot life will be shortened.
- At lower temperatures pot life will be increased but product will become more difficult to inject and take longer to harden.
- Trials must be carried out to establish suitability of resin, spacing of injection ports, injection equipment

and pressures.
- When using multiple units during application, do not mix the following unit until the previous one has been used in order to avoid a reduction in workability and handling time.
- Take cores at locations of cracks to clarify penetration of resin.

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application fields.

ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent Safety Data Sheet (SDS) containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

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