

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sikaflex[®]-2c SL

Two-component, self-leveling, polyurethane elastomeric sealant

DESCRIPTION

Sikaflex[®]-2c SL is a 2-component, premium-grade, polyurethane-based, elastomeric sealant. It is principally a chemical cure in a self-leveling consistency. ASTM C-920, Type M, Grade P, Class 25, use T, NT, M, G, A, O, I. Federal Specification TT-S-00227E, Type 1, Class A.

USES

- Intended for use in all properly designed working joints with a minimum depth of 1/4 inch.
- Ideal for horizontal applications.
- Placeable at temperatures as low as 40 °F.
- Adheres to most substrates commonly found in construction.
- Submerged conditions, such as canal and reservoir joints.

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- True self-leveling properties.
- Capable of ±50 % joint movement.
- Chemical cure allows the sealant to be placed in non-moving joints exceeding 1/2 in. in depth.
- High elasticity with a tough, durable, flexible consistency.
- Exceptional cut and tear resistance.
- Exceptional adhesion to most substrates without priming.
- Available in 35 architectural colors.
- Color uniformity assured via Color-pak system.
- Available in pre-pigmented Limestone Gray (no Color-pak needed).
- Self-leveling consistency, easy to apply in horizontal joints.
- Easy to mix.
- Paintable with water-, oil-, and rubber-base paints.
- Jet fuel resistant.

APPROVALS / STANDARDS

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Packaging	1.5 gal. unit. 3 gal. units. Color-pak is purchased separately. Limestone Gray color available pre-pigmented.
Colour	A wide range of architectural colors are available. Special colors available on request.
Shelf Life	One year in original, unopened containers.
Storage Conditions	Store dry at 40–95 °F (4–35 °C). Condition material to 65–75 °F before using.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Shore A Hardness	40 ± 5	(21 days at 73 °F (23 °C) and 50 % R.H.) (ASTM D-2240)
Tensile Strength	175 psi	(21 days at 73 °F (23 °C) and 50 % R.H.) (ASTM D 412)

Tensile stress at specified elongation	100 psi (at 100 %)	(21 days at 73 °F (23 °C) and 50 % R.H.) (ASTM D 412)
Elongation at Break	650 %	(21 days at 73 °F (23 °C) and 50 % R.H.) (ASTM D-412)
Adhesion in Peel	Peel Strength (concrete) 30 lbs.	Adhesion loss 0 % (73 °F (23 °C) and 50 % R.H.) (Fed Spec. TT-S-00227E)
Tear Strength	100 lbs./in.	(73 °F (23 °C) and 50 % R.H.) (ASTM D-624)
Chemical Resistance	Good resistance to water, diluted acids, diluted alkalines, and residential sewage. Consult Technical Service for specific data.	
Resistance to Weathering	Excellent	
Service Temperature	-40 °F to +170 °F (-40 °C to 75 °C)	

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Yield	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
Ambient Air Temperature	40 °F (4 °C) to 100 °F (38 °C). Sealant should be installed when joint is at mid-range of its anticipated movement.			
Substrate Temperature	40 °F (4 °C) to 100 °F (38 °C). Sealant should be installed when joint is at mid-range of its anticipated movement.			
Curing Time	Tack-free Time	6-8 hours	(ASTM C 679)	
	Final Cure	3 days		
Application Time	4h	(73 °F (23 °C) and 50 % R.H.) (TT-S-00227E)		

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.

LIMITATIONS

- The ultimate performance of Sikaflex-2c, depends on good joint design and proper application.
- Minimum depth in working joint is 1/4 in.
- Maximum expansion and contraction should not exceed 50 % of average joint width.
- Do not cure in the presence of curing silicones.
- Avoid contact with alcohol and other solvent cleaners during cure.
- Allow 3 day cure before subjecting sealant to total water immersion. Primer is required if sealant will be subjected to total water immersion.
- Avoid exposure to high levels of chlorine. (Maximum level is 5 ppm).
- Do not apply when moisture vapor transmission exists since this can cause bubbling within the sealant.
- Avoid over-mixing sealant.
- White color tends to yellow slightly when exposed to ultraviolet rays.
- Light colors can yellow if exposed to direct gas fired heating elements.
- When overcoating: an on-site test is recommended to determine actual compatibility.
- Rigid paints, coatings or primers will crack when placed over elastomeric sealants experiencing expansion or contraction.
- The minimum depth of sealant in horizontal joints subject to traffic is 1/2 inch.
- Do not tool with detergent or soap solution.

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.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

Joint wall surfaces must be clean, sound, and frost-free. Joint walls must be free of oils, grease, curing compound residues, and any other foreign matter that might prevent bond. Ideally this should be accomplished by mechanical means. A roughened surface will also enhance bond. Bond breaker tape or backer rod must be used in bottom of joint to prevent bond.

Priming is typically not necessary. Most substrates only require priming if sealant will be subjected to water immersion after cure. Testing should be done, however, on questionable substrates, to determine if priming is needed. Consult Technical Service or Sikaflex Primer Technical Data Sheet for additional information on priming.

MIXING

Pour entire contents of Component 'B' into pail of Component 'A'. Add entire contents of Color-pak into pail and mix with a low-speed drill (400–600 rpm) and Sikaflex paddle. * Mix for 3–5 minutes to achieve a uniform color and consistency. Scrape down sides of pail periodically. Avoid entrapment of air during mixing. Color-pak must be used with tint base. Note: When mixing 3 gal. unit, two containers of Component B and two color-paks must be used. *For pre-pigmented Limestone base, just mix with low speed drill and Sikaflex paddle (no Color-pak needed).

APPLICATION METHOD / TOOLS

Recommended application temperatures 40–100 °F. Pre-conditioning units to 65–75 °F is necessary when working at extremes. Move pre-conditioned units to work areas just prior to application. Apply sealant only to clean, sound, dry, and frost-free substrates. Sikaflex-2c should be applied into joints when joint slot is at mid-point of its designed expansion and contraction. To place, pour or extrude the SL grade in one direction and allow it to flow and level as necessary. If extruding, load mixed sealant directly into bulk gun or use follower plate loading system. Place nozzle of gun into bottom of joint and fill entire joint. Keeping the

nozzle deep in the sealant, continue with a steady flow of sealant preceding nozzle to avoid air entrapment. Also, avoid overlapping of sealant since this also entraps air.

Tooling and Finishing

Tool as necessary. 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.

Removal

Uncured material can be removed with xylene. Strictly follow solvent manufacturer's warnings and instructions for use. Cured material can only be removed mechanically. For spillage, collect, absorb, and dispose of in accordance with current, applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

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.

LEGAL NOTES

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