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#### **Product Description**

Signfix 44 structural Acrylic Represents the next generation of structural adhesives, combining primer-less metal bonding and permanent toughness with a huge reduction in bond-line readthrough. The latest adhesion promoter package enables design engineers to access a huge list of compatible substrates from plastics to metals and the latest hybrid composite materials.

## **Typical Applications**

With a particular focus on the automotive manufacturing industry due to the combination of excellent environmental resistance and its ability to avoid read-through on consumer facing panels and composite sections, this grade sets the benchmark for the industries permanent bonded solution. This grade is manufactured in two cure speeds to accommodate a wide variety of assembly and production operations.

#### **Instructions for Use**

- 1. Always consult MSDS before using Signfix 44 for the first time.
- 2. Carry out surface preparation where required.
- 3. Remove nut, attach mixer nozzle and replace nut.
- 4. Dispense sufficient adhesive to ensure equal mix and uniform colour.
- 5. Apply adhesive to one surface and assemble components carefully, clamping if required.
- 6. It is always easier to remove any excess adhesive prior to cure using a suitable cleaner.
- 7. Allow the adhesive sufficient time to achieve handling strength before moving or unclamping components.

### **Curing Cycle**

Once mixed at the 10:1 ratio the working time of the product is the period whereby the adhesive remains fluid and is easily transferable between two or more mating surfaces. Temperature, volume and substrate have a direct effect on the length of this period as the product cures by an exothermic reaction. Higher temperatures and larger volumes speed the reaction causing a reduction in open and cure time. Lower temperatures and smaller volumes slow the reaction time extending both the open time and ultimate full cure time.

| Open Time    | 4-6 min   |
|--------------|-----------|
| Fixture Time | 12-15 min |

## **Properties of Uncured Material**

| Resin                      | Methacrylate Blend    |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Colour                     | Off White / Black     |
| Appearance                 | Thixotropic Gel       |
| Viscosity Brookfield T Bar | 200,000 to 280,000cps |
| Cure System                | Peroxide              |

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#### **Performance of Cured Material**

| ASTM D1002 Lapshear               |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Aluminium                         | 21 Nmm <sup>2</sup> Cohesive Failure    |
| Aluminium (Unabraded)             | 21 Nmm <sup>2</sup> Cohesive Failure    |
| Stainless Steel                   | 21 Nmm <sup>2</sup> Cohesive Failure    |
| Mild Steel                        | 21 Nmm <sup>2</sup> Cohesive Failure    |
| GRP                               | 5.80 Nmm <sup>2</sup> Substrate Failure |
| ABS                               | Substrate Failure                       |
| Polycarbonate                     | Substrate Failure                       |
| Gap Fill                          | Up to 10mm                              |
| Temperature Range                 | -55°C to 120°C                          |
| Hardness                          | 76 Shore D                              |
| UV Stability                      | Excellent                               |
| Elongation at break ASTM D638-02a | 30%                                     |

## **Compatible Substrates**

| Aluminium       | GRP/FRP          |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Stainless Steel | Granite          |
| Mild Steel      | Marble           |
| UPVC            | Urethanes        |
| Polyesters      | Vinyl Esters     |
| ABS             | Galv/Zinc Coated |
| DCPD            | Polycarbonate    |
| Acrylic         | ACM Sheet        |

# **Storage and Shelf Life**

SignFix 44 should be stored unopened in suitable hazardous storage conditions for adhesives that are in a cool, dry location and out of direct sunlight. Stored correctly, this grade can offer a 9-month shelf life from its manufacture in the UK. The optimum storage condition for this grade is between 6 and 12°C. Storing material outside this range may reduce the overall shelf life of the material.

#### **Health and Safety in Use**

Signfix 44 is a structural methacrylate and should not be used without consulting the MSDS, which contains full information regarding the use of this product, including Transport, Disposal, Toxicological, Exposure Controls, Accidental Release and First Aid measures essential to the safe use of this product.

All data presented in this sheet are correct at the time of issue and have been determined by Innova Solutions in its own laboratories. The data presented are typical properties obtained by the company over multiple test phases. The data are presented as a guide and a selection tool, these data should not be used in place of thorough evaluation and application testing under anticipated conditions. Specific use, materials and product handling are beyond the control of Innova Solutions Ltd, therefore our warranty is limited to the replacement of defective product.