

Sikagard®-550 W Elastic

Crack bridging protective coating for concrete

Product Description

Sikagard®-550 W Elastic is a one part, plasto-elastic coating based on UV-curing acrylic dispersion with excellent crack-bridging properties even at temperatures below 0°C.

Uses

- Protection and enhancement of concrete structures (normal and lightweight concrete), especially exposed concrete surfaces with a risk of cracking
- With concrete repair works as an elastic protective top coating on Sika® mortar thin layer levelling mortar (refer to product data sheet)

Characteristics / Advantages

- Crack-bridging even at low temperatures (-20°C)
- High diffusion resistance against CO₂ reducing the rate of carbonation
- Water vapour permeable
- Very good resistance against weathering and ageing
- Can be diluted with water
- Environmentally friendly (solvent free)
- Reduced tendency to dirt pick up and contamination

Tests

Approval / Standards

Test according to ZTV SIBOS-D II from the Polymer Institute dd 16.10.01 Nr. P2438
Test according to ZTV SIBOS-D II from the Polymer Institute dd 16.10.01 Nr. P2436
The product is included in a compilation of tested products and systems as per OS 5a (OS DII) at the German Institute of Road Systems and is registered in the LCPC (French Laboratoire des Ponts et Chaussées) list of approved paint systems for civil engineering structures.

Product Data

Form

Appearance / Colours

Thixotropic liquid available in available ~RAL shades.

Packaging

10 kg container

Storage

Storage Conditions / Shelf-Life

6 months from date of production if stored properly in undamaged and unopened original sealed packaging in cool and dry conditions. Protect from direct sunlight and frost.

Technical Data

Chemical Base

Acrylic copolymer

Density

~ 1.24 kg/l (at +27°C)



Solid Volume	~ 49%										
Solid Content	~ 59%										
Layer Thickness	d _{minp} (minimum required thickness to achieve the required characteristics - CO ₂ equivalent air thickness of 50 m and crack bridging) = 200 microns. D _{maxp} (maximum required thickness not to go beyond the H ₂ O equivalent air thickness of 4 m) = 1635 microns.										
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Mechanical / Physical Properties											
Elongation at Tear	(According to DIN 53504) Elongation at break at room temperature (not exposed to weathering): ~100%										
Crack-Bridging Capacity	Class I _T according to ZTV SIB 90-TL/TP OS										
System Information											
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Substrate Preparation	Exposed concrete without existing coating:		
	The surface must be dry, sound and free from loose and friable particles. Suitable preparation methods are steam cleaning, high pressure water jetting or blastcleaning.		
	New concrete must be at least 28 days old.		
	Exposed concrete with existing coating:		
	Existing coatings must be tested to confirm their adhesion to the substrate - adhesion test average >0,8 N/mm ² with no single value below 0.5 N/mm ² . Inadequate adhesion: Existing coatings must be completely removed by suitable methods and the substrate must be sufficiently sound and suitable to be coated as above		
Application Conditions / Limitations			
Substrate Temperature	+10°C min. / +40°C max.		
Ambient Temperature	+10°C min. / +40°C max.		
Relative Air Humidity	< 80%		
Dew Point	Temperature must be at least 3°C above dew point.		
Application Instructions			
Mixing	The materials are supplied ready for use. Stir thoroughly prior to application.		
Application Method / Tools	Apply Sikagard®-551 S Elastic Primer evenly onto the substrate. For use on very dense substrates up to 10% Sika® Thinner DS may be added to Sikagard®-551 S Elastic Primer. Sikagard®-550 W Elastic can be applied by brush, roller or airless spray.		
Cleaning of Tools	Clean all tools and application equipment with clean water immediately after use. Hardened / cured material can only be removed mechanically. For Sikagard®-551 S Elastic Primer use Sika® Colma Cleaner		
Waiting Time / Overcoating	Waiting time between coats at +20°C substrate temperature:		
	Previous coating	Waiting time	Next coating
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Notes on Application / Limitations	Do not apply when there is: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Expected rain- Relative humidity >80%- Temperature below +8°C and/or below dew point- Concrete younger than 28 days The system is resistant to aggressive atmospheric influences.		
Curing Details			
Curing Treatment	Sikagard®-550 W Elastic does not require any special curing but must be protected from rain for at least 4 hours at +20°C.		
Applied Product ready for use	Full cure: ~ 7 days at +20°C		
Value Base	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.		

Health and Safety Information

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

Legal Notes

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