

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Sikaflex®-290 DC PRO

THE PROFESSIONAL DECK CAULKING COMPOUND

TYPICAL PRODUCT DATA (FURTHER VALUES SEE SAFETY DATA SHEET)

Chemical base	1-component polyurethane
Colour (CQP001-1)	Black
Cure mechanism	Moisture-curing
Density (uncured)	1.3 kg/l
Application temperature	ambient 5 – 35 °C
Skin time (CQP019-1)	90 minutes ^A
Curing speed (CQP049-1)	(see diagram)
Shrinkage (CQP014-1)	3 %
Shore A hardness (CQP023-1 / ISO 7619-1)	40
Tensile strength (CQP036-1 / ISO 527)	3 MPa
Elongation at break (CQP036-1 / ISO 527)	600 %
Tear propagation resistance (CQP045-1 / ISO 34)	10 N/mm
Service temperature (CQP513-1)	-50 – 90 °C
Shelf life (CQP016-1)	cartridge /unipack 12 months ^B

CQP = Corporate Quality Procedure

^{A)} 23 °C / 50 % r. h.

^{B)} storage below 25 °C

DESCRIPTION

Sikaflex®-290 DC PRO is a 1-component polyurethane based joint sealing compound, specifically formulated for caulking joints in traditional timber marine decking. It exhibits excellent weathering resistance and is, therefore, well suited for highly exposed open joints within the maritime environment. The sealing compound cures to form a flexible elastomer which allows a fast and easy sanding process.

Sikaflex®-290 DC PRO meets the requirements set out by the International Maritime Organisation (IMO).

PRODUCT BENEFITS

- Excellent weathering resistance
- Robust and durable
- Easy and fast to sand
- Ideal flow behavior for application
- Long toolability
- Unique aspect
- Resistant to seawater and fresh water

AREAS OF APPLICATION

Sikaflex®-290 DC PRO is designed for caulking of joints in traditional timber decking for boat, yacht and commercial ship constructions.

This product is suitable for experienced professional users only. Tests with actual substrates and conditions have to be performed to ensure adhesion and material compatibility.

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CURE MECHANISM

Sikaflex®-292i cures by reaction with atmospheric moisture. At low temperatures the water content of the air is generally lower and the curing reaction proceeds somewhat slower (see diagram 1).

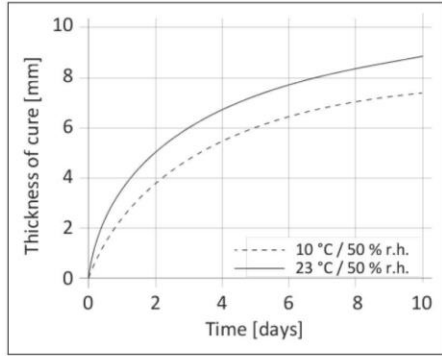


Diagram 1: Curing speed for Sikaflex®-292i

CHEMICAL RESISTANCE

Sikaflex®-292i is generally resistant to fresh water, seawater, diluted acids and diluted caustic solutions; temporarily resistant to fuels, mineral oils, vegetable and animal fats and oils; not resistant to organic acids, glycolic alcohol, concentrated mineral acids and caustic solutions or solvents.

METHOD OF APPLICATION

Surface preparation

Surfaces must be clean, dry and free from grease, oil and dust. Surface treatment depends on the specific nature of the substrates and is crucial for a long lasting bond. Suggestions for surface preparation may be found on the current edition of the appropriate Sika® Pre-treatment Chart. Consider that these suggestions are based on experience and have in any case to be verified by tests on original substrates.

Application

Sikaflex®-292i can be processed between 10 °C and 40 °C (climate and product) but changes in reactivity and application properties have to be considered. The optimum temperature for substrate and sealant is between 15 °C and 25 °C.

Consider that the viscosity will increase at low temperature. For easy application, condition the adhesive at ambient temperature prior to use.

To ensure a uniform thickness of the bondline it is recommended to apply the adhesive in form of a triangular bead (see figure 1).

Figure 1: Recommended bead configuration

Sikaflex®-292i can be processed with manual, pneumatic or electric driven piston guns. The open time is significantly shorter in hot and humid climate. The parts must always be installed within the open time. Never join bonding parts if the adhesive has built a skin.

Tooling and finishing

Tooling and finishing must be carried out within the skin time of the sealant. It is recommended using Sika® Tooling Agent N. Other finishing agents must be tested for suitability and compatibility prior the use.

Removal

Uncured Sikaflex®-292i can be removed from tools and equipment with Sika® Remover-208 or another suitable solvent. Once cured, the material can only be removed mechanically. Hands and exposed skin have to be washed immediately using Sika® Cleaner-350H cleaning towels or a suitable industrial hand cleaner and water.

Do not use solvents on skin.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Copies of the following publications are available on request:

- Safety Data Sheets
- Sika Pre-treatment Chart For Marine Applications
- General Guidelines Bonding and sealing with 1-component Sikaflex®

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Cartridge	300 ml
Unipack	600 ml

BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

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

HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION

For information and advice regarding transportation, handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the actual Safety Data Sheets containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

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