Starting Formulation

SF 4009 Adhesive Formulations EPON and Epikure Adhesive Formulations for Thermoplastic Substrates

EPON™ Resins 8132, 828, 58005, 862, 58003 / EPIKURE™ Curing Agent 30055, 3125, 3163, and 3164

Introduction  These adhesive systems are designed for use in ambient or elevated temperature bonding of thermoplastic substrates such as Nylon 11, polyethylene terephthalate, polyvinyl chloride, and polyurethane.

Features
- Good adhesion to thermoplastic substrates
- Solvent-free, no volatile by-products

Mixing Instructions  Processing data are presented in Table 1. All of the starting point formulations discussed in this bulletin utilize Cab-O-Sil M-5 as the thixotropic agent (see Table 1). The Cab-O-Sil M-5 should be dispersed into a portion of the base resin (EPON Resin 8132, EPON Resin 828, EPON Resin 862) using a high shear dispersing technique. Add the remaining base resin and any other resins in the formulation to the resulting dispersion and mix using conventional mixing equipment, until a uniform consistency is attained.

This formulation is a basic starting point and can be modified with other filler types, such as aluminum powder, talc, alumina, silica, wollastonite, or calcium carbonate. Addition of a sufficient quantity of filler can adjust the combining ratio to a convenient level. Modification with silane coupling agents improves bonds to concrete and glass. Pigment may be incorporated into either or both portions for the purpose of color-coding.

Processing Properties Table 1 / Processing Properties

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Resin viscosity @ 25 °C 1, P
@ 0.3 rpm – 1360 – – – – –
@ 0.6 rpm – 1320 – 873 – – –
@ 1.5 rpm – 1300 436 828 – – –
@ 3 rpm – 1290 421 805 – – –
@ 6 rpm – – 407 787 – – –
@ 12 rpm 37.2 – 396 – – – –
@ 30 rpm 32.9 – – – 19.9 19.9 19.9
@ 60 rpm 30.6 – – – 18.7 18.7 18.7

Curing agent, parts by weight (by volume)

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Gel Time @ 25 °C 2 100 gram mass, min.

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Dry Time, thin film Gel Time @ 25 °C 3, hr.

1 Brookfield DV-II
2 Shyodu Gel Timer
3 Gardco Circular Drying Time Recorder, 0.2 mm film

Application
Surfaces to be bonded should be clean and free of dust, dirt, grease, or other extraneous material. Mix the adhesive components and apply immediately by spreading a thin film over the surface to be bonded. Maintain light pressure during cure to achieve the best bond. For the data presented, the surfaces were wiped with acetone or methyl ethyl ketone in order to remove dust, dirt, oils, etc.

Instructions

The initial cure step may be carried out at room temperature or at elevated temperature. If initially cured at room temperature, an elevated temperature post cure should be evaluated depending on the requirements of the desired application. An elevated temperature cure will decrease the cure time significantly and will reduce the need for an additional post cure. Data are presented in Table 2 for both room and elevated temperature cure schedules. The cure schedule used was 30 minutes at 140 °C (280 °F).

Performance Properties

Table 2 / Typical Properties

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### Room Temperature Cure

**Cure Schedule**  
7 days @ 25 °C (77 °F)

**Lap shear strength, psi**

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### Elevated Temperature Cure

**Cure Schedule**  
30 minutes @ 140 °C (284 °F)

**Lap shear strength, psi**

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1 ASTM D 3163 96 AT 25 °C, Average of 5 Specimens, Solvent Wiped  
2 CARILON® P-1000 was supplied by Shell Chemical Company  
3  
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6  
7 °C

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Polyvinylchloride (PVC), Type 1, was supplied by McMaster-Carr Supply Company

Polyurethane was supplied by McMaster-Carr Supply Company and had a Shore Durometer reading of 75 and a tensile strength of 7500 psi

Polyethylene terephthalate (PET) was supplied by McMaster-Carr Supply Company

Nylon was supplied by ElfAtochem as Rilsan® Polyamide 11 Resin

Dynamic Mechanical Analysis, Rectangular Torsional Geometry, 1 °C/min

* All samples failed in tensile mode within the bond line.

Storage

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