

## PRODUCT NAME Rotafix Engineering Adhesive<sup>®</sup> (EA) 400cc pack (3560)

#### **Product Description**

Rotafix<sup>®</sup> Engineering Adhesive is a thixotropic, structural two part adhesive based on a combination of epoxy resins and special micro fillers, designed with more ductility and a long open time for the bonding of timber, masonry and concrete.

#### Uses

As a structural adhesive : for wood , concrete elements, hard natural stone, bricks, masonry steel, Iron, Aluminium, Holes and void filling, may be used for vertical and overhead situations, filling of cracks and shakes and the installation of anchors in most substrates.

## **Characteristics/Advantages**

Rotafix<sup>®</sup> Engineering Adhesive has the following advantages: Easy to mix and apply, excellent adhesion to most construction materials. High strength thixotropic adhesive, low modulus system, non-sag in vertical and overhead applications, Solvent Free, cures without shrinkage, High ultimate strength.

### Tests

Approval/Standards Testing according to EN 15274

#### **Product Data**

#### Colours

Base part : White paste Hardener : Whiteish Paste Care must be taken to insure complete and thorough mixing as both paste's are similar in colour

#### Packaging

Supplied in 400 cc pre batched packs consisting of 2 x plastic screw cap jars with an empty cartridge set and follower plate

Storage conditions

Shelf Life is 24 months from date of production if stored properly in original unopened, sealed and undamaged packaging, in dry conditions at temperatures between +5°C and +25°C. Protect from direct sunshine, Keep of cold floors and protect from frost.

#### **Chemical Type**

Thixotropic Epoxy Paste including its curing agent

Density 1.18 + 0.01 kg/ per pack (base & hardener mixed) (at +20°C)

Compressive Strength (According to ASTM D695)

Strength gain	+ 20°C
7 days	30 – 40 N/mm 2
11 days	45 – 50 N/mm 2
14 days	50 – 65 N/mm 2

## **Mechanical/Physical Properties**

Property	Units	Test Method	Result Mean
Tensile Strength	N/mm <sup>2</sup>	BS EN ISO 527-2	36.53
Environmental Durability	MPa	BS EN ISO 9142	>18
Environmental	24hrs at 24 °C & 90% RH	24hrs at 40°C & 30%RH	Timber Species
Conditions	72hrs at 24 °C & 90% RH	48hrs at 40°C & 30%RH	tested on tropical
			hardwood
Bond Strength on adhesive			
to tropical hardwood	MPa	BS EN 1465	>9
'Jarrah'			
Bond Strength on adhesive			
to common UK structural	MPa	BS EN 1465	>6
timber, CLT, Glulam,	iviPa	D3 LIN 1405	~0
Douglas Fir			

Elongation at break	%	BS EN ISO 527-2	1.78
Crack Extension	mm	ASTM D3762	7.05
Temperature of Deflection	°C	BS EN ISO 75-2	<42.0
Under Load			
**Pot life	Minutes	EN 14022	220
100 G @ 20°C			220
**Cure time	Days	EN 14022	2
100 G @ 20°C			

\*\*Pot life and cure times will vary dependant on ambient temperature and humidity

## **System Information**

## Consumption/Dosage

The volume contents are as stated on each pack. As a guide a 400cc pack of mixed Rotafix<sup>®</sup> Engineering Adhesive with an adhesive thickness line of 1mm will cover 0.4m<sup>2</sup> of timber. As a guide for crack injection 400cc pack would inject 5 linear meters of a crack 3mm wide x 25mm deep.

## Substrate Quality

All types of substrate must be clean, dry and free from contaminants such as dust, dirt, oil, grease, pre existing surface treatments e.g coatings etc.. Steel substrates must be de-rusted to Sa 2.5 standard to maximise adhesion. The substrate must be sound and all loose particles must be removed.

## Substrate Preparation

Old surface treatments or coatings and all loose or friable particles must be removed to achieve a laitance and contaminant free, open textured surface. Steel: Must be cleaned and prepared thoroughly to an acceptable quality i.e. by blast cleaning and vacuum.

## **Application Conditions/Limitations**

Substrate Temperature: +8°C min. / +30°C max.

Ambient Temperature: +5°C min. / +30°C max.

Material Temperature: EA must be applied at temperatures between +10°C and +30°C

Substrate Moisture Content: Avoid dew point conditions. Always check the Moisture content of the timber to which you are adhering to, do not fix in timbers that are over 20% M/C – Please ring our Technical Department for specific information.

# **Application Instructions**

# Mixing

Add the total contents of the smaller container (curing agent) to the (base) Mix the pastes thoroughly using a flat end pal let knife, reference 3642. To give a homogenous one colour mix. Place the Follower-plate onto the surface of the mixed material ensuring it fits parallel in the tub with the outer and central lip pointing upwards.

Cut the seal from the front end of the cartridge sleeve. Place the back of the cartridge vertically and centrally over the hole in the follower-plate.

Press the cartridge firmly and continuously down on to the follower-plate until the follower-plate bottoms on the mixing tub base. Carefully remove and invert the now full cartridge.

Screw on the front injection nozzle plus any chosen injection tube assembly. Finally, insert the rear plunger.

Where applicable, install the full cartridge of Rotafix<sup>®</sup> Engineering Adhesive into the injection gun. Alternatively for spreader application as an adhesive, dispense directly from the cartridge without the aid of the front nozzle or injection tube.

Mixing knife Ref: 3642. 400cc injection gun Ref: 3667. Available from Rotafix

## Mixing Time

Mix the Base & Hardener parts together for at least 3 minutes with a mixing Knife until the material becomes smooth in consistency and a uniform in colour.

Mix only 1 x pack at a time or the quantity which can be used within its pot life.

# **Cleaning of Tools**

All tools and application equipment can be with thinners or solvent wipes immediately after use. Hardened and or cured material can only be removed by mechanical means. EA® is a Registered Trade Mark of Rotafix (Northern) Ltd

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