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ARMSTRONG PRODUCT

General Purpose Epoxy

Armstrong A-1 and A-3 Epoxy Resin Adhesive **General Purpose Epoxy**

Description

Armstrong A-1 and A-3 epoxy adhesives are skillfully formulated from specification controlled epoxy resins and inert, high purity filler materials. These adhesives contain ingredients that impart low, surface free energy characteristics, giving them excellent wettability to adherents that are traditionally hard to bond.

Activator "A" is a fast reacting type which, when mixed at a ratio of 4 parts of activator to 100 parts (by weight) of the A-1 or A-3 adhesive, gives a fast initial set time. It is recommended for use when curing is to be done at room temperature. More rapid cures can be accomplished, however, within 2 hours at 165°F.

Activator "E" is mixed at the ratio of 6 parts of activator to 100 parts (by weight) of the A-1 or A-3 adhesive. This is a slow reacting type especially for curing at elevated temperatures. Full cure is obtained in 1 hour at 200°F. This activator is not recommended fro room temperature curing.

Applications

Armstrong A-1 or A-3 are suitable for bonding most rigid materials such as metals, wood, glass, ceramics, hard rubber and thermosetting plastics.

Storage

Stored below 25°C out of sunlight and in original unopened containers. Refer to packaging specific quote for shelf life information.

Constants

| | A-1 | A-3 |
|-------------------|-------------|-------|
| Viscosity (poise) | 6000 - 9000 | Paste |
| Specific Gravity | 1.60 | 1.60 |
| Color | Red-Brown | Black |

Properties

| | A-1/"A" | A1/ "E" | A3 / "A" | A3 / "E" |
|---------------------------------------|---------|---------------|----------|----------|
| Mixed Visc, poise @ 77°F | 4,300 | 4,000 | 5,000 | 4,900 |
| Density, lbs/cubic in | .058 | .061 | .067 | .065 |
| Pot Life @ 77°F. | 30 min | 2-3 hrs | 30 min | 2-3 hrs |
| Volume Resistivity (ohm/cm) @200°f | | $3.0x10^{14}$ | | |
| Dielectric Constant (1kc) | | 15.3 | | |
| Dissipation Factor (1kc) | | 0.2 | | |

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Physical Properties

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|---|---------------|---------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| | A-1/A" | A-1/A" | A-1/E" | A-3/A" | A-3/A" | A-3/E" |
| Cure | 7 days @ R.T. | 2 hrs @ 165°F | 1 hr @ 200°F | 7 days @ R.T. | 2 hrs @ 165°F | 1 hr @ 200°F |
| Bond Strength, psi | 1150 | 2070 | 4650 | 1110 | 2130 | 4500 |
| Ult. Compressive Strength, psi x 1000 | 15.2 | 13.4 | 15.4 | 10.8 | 13.3 | 13.1 |
| T.C.E. $(in/in/^{\circ}C \times 10^{-5})$ | 4.3 | | 4.3 | 4.2 | | 4.4 |
| Elongation, % | 1.4 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.9 |
| Tensile Strength, psi | 3000 | 4020 | 3960 | 3070 | 4740 | 5180 |
| Cleavage, psi | 830 | 1190 | 1810 | 770 | 1400 | 1870 |
| Tensile Shear Strength, psi | | | | | | |
| at Room Temperature | 1600 | 2400 | 3010 | 1530 | 2160 | 2250 |
| at 180°F | 1460 | 3180 | 3450 | 880 | 3250 | 1700 |
| at -60°F | 1100 | 1960 | 1940 | 890 | 1425 | 1980 |
| After 7 days in | | | | | | |
| Ammonia, 28% | 1820 | 1930 | 2880 | 2380 | 1970 | 3030 |
| Distilled Water | 1730 | 2150 | 2830 | 1750 | 1600 | 3130 |
| Salt Water, 10% | 1980 | 1770 | 2850 | 2300 | 1720 | 3100 |
| Acetone | 1980 | 2200 | 3000 | 2280 | 1730 | 2830 |
| Glacial Acetic Acid | 1100 | 2250 | 2700 | 1830 | 1510 | 2350 |
| Toluene | 1800 | 2000 | 3030 | 2050 | 1700 | 2780 |
| Ethylenedichloride | 2000 | 2050 | 3000 | 2200 | 1470 | 2800 |
| Ethyl Acetate | 1380 | 2190 | 2000 | 1200 | 1560 | 2000 |
| Hexane | 1250 | 2580 | 2580 | 950 | 1970 | 2180 |
| After 30 days in 100% R.H. | 1270 | 3070 | 2700 | 1530 | 1900 | 2390 |
| Steel to Steel | 1850 | 1660 | 3350 | | | 3350 |
| Sicci to Sicci | 1030 | 1000 | 3330 | | | 3330 |

^{**}Run on Aluminum to Aluminum Except as Noted

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