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Rite-Lok™

Super Fast Instant Adhesives

SF20 • SF100

Technical Data

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Product Description

Rite-Lok™ Super Fast Instant Adhesives rely less on surface moisture for cure speed than standard cyanoacrylates. They are designed to join together difficult-to-bond plastics and rubbers, acidic and/or contaminated surfaces such as woods, leathers, cardboard, and oily surfaces. These cyanoacrylates can be used for a super fast cure in high speed production applications.

Specific Features

- Rite-Lok™ Super Fast Instant Adhesive SF20 is a low viscosity cyanoacrylate that is generally recommended for use on close-fitting parts and fairly smooth, even surfaces. It has been tested and passed the requirements of Commercial Item Description A-A-3097, Type II, Class 1 (formerly MIL-A-46050C).
- Rite-Lok™ Super Fast Instant Adhesive SF100 is a low-medium viscosity super fast cyanoacrylate. It has been tested and passed the requirements of Commercial Item Description A-A-3097, Type II, Class 2 (formerly MIL-A-46050C).

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Typical Uncured Physical Properties

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	SF20	SF100
Color	Clear	Clear
Base	Ethyl	Ethyl Hybrid
Appearance	Liquid	Liquid
Specific Gravity	1.06	1.06
Viscosity (cps)¹	17 - 22	80 - 120
Time to Handling Strength (sec)	3 - 30	3 - 30
Full Cure Time (hr)	24	24

¹ISO 3104/3105.

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Temperature Range (°F)	-65 to 180	-65 to 180
Gap Fill (in)	0.004	0.006
Tensile Strength (psi)²	4,800	3,700
Overlap Shear Strength (psi)³	3,000	2,900

²ASTM D2095.

³ASTM D1002.

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Handling Information

Surface Preparation

For optimum strength structural bonds, paint, oxide films, oils, dust, mold release agents, and all other surface contaminants must be completely removed. However, the amount of surface preparation depends on the required bond strength and the environmental aging resistance desired by the user. Typical quick surface preparation would include wiping with a clean solvent (such as isopropyl alcohol*), abrading the surface with a clean fine abrasive, and then wiping again with a clean solvent to remove loose particles.

Directions for Use

1. Ensure that parts are clean, dry, and free from oil and grease.
2. A Rite-Lok™ Instant Adhesive Activator may be required if there are bonding gaps or porous substrate surfaces, if substrates are low surface energy plastics (e.g., polyethylene, polypropylene) or if substrates have acidic surfaces (e.g., paper, leather).
3. Bond speed is typically very fast so ensure that parts are properly aligned before dispensing.
4. Product is normally hand applied from the bottle. Apply sparingly to one surface and press parts firmly together until handling strength is achieved. As a general rule, as little cyanoacrylate as possible should be used. Over application will result in slower cure speed and lower bond strength.

Cured Bond Characteristics

1. Full bond strength will typically be achieved within a 24 hour cure time.
2. Low humidity or low temperature conditions will slow down the cure rate.
3. After curing, Rite-Lok™ Super Fast Instant Adhesive bonds are suitable for use up to about 180°F (82°C). At 180°F (82°C) the bonds will be approximately 70% of the strength at room temperature and at 212°F (100°C) about 50% of full strength.
4. Cyanoacrylate bond resistance to most oils and solvents is excellent. Long term humidity, moisture, or water immersion may affect the strength of a cured cyanoacrylate bond depending on the substrates and the bond gap. Testing is recommended to evaluate the effect.

***Note:** When using solvents, extinguish all ignition sources, including pilot lights, and follow the manufacturer's precautions and directions for use.

Storage

For short term storage (<30 days), keep adhesive in a cool (60°F to 80°F [16°C to 27°C]), dry place out of direct sunlight. Keep containers tightly covered and free of moisture. Refrigeration (40°F [4°C]) gives optimum long term storage stability.

Shelf Life

Rite-Lok™ Super Fast Instant Adhesives can be expected to have a shelf life of one year from the date of shipment from 3M when stored under refrigerated conditions.

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Precautionary Information

Refer to Product Label and Material Safety Data Sheet for health and safety information before using this product. For additional health and safety information, call 1-800-364-3577 or (651) 737-6501.

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