

### PRODUCT DATA SHEET

## Sika® backing rods

#### Sealants Back Up Material

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Sika® backing rods is manufactured from extruded polyethylene foam, available in rods with different diameters and lengths.

#### **USES**

Sika® backing rods is used as a back up material for cold applied Sika sealants to give the sealant the correct thickness. It also acts as a bondbreaker, permitting the most efficient joint design.

#### **FEATURES**

- Easy to apply
- Closed cell
- No bond to most sealants
- Compatible with cold applied sealants (polyurethane, silicones)
- Different rod diameters
- Highly flexible and compressible
- Good water resistance
- Good temperature resistance
- Odourless

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

Composition	Extruded Polyethylene Foam	Extruded Polyethylene Foam	
Packaging	Rod diameter Ø mm	Length m'	
	8	550	
	10	400	
	13	350	
	15	300	
	20	200	
	25	150	
	Cartons, length depending or	Cartons, length depending on rod diameter.	
Appearance and colour	Grey	Grey	
Shelf life	12 months from the date of r	12 months from the date of manufacture if unopened	
Storage conditions	Store in dry conditions and p	Store in dry conditions and protected from heat.	
TECHNICAL INFORMAT	ION		
Chemical resistance	Good resistance to oil, petrol	Good resistance to oil, petrol and solvents.	
Service temperature	-40°C to +70°C	-40°C to +70°C	

#### **BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA**

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

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#### **IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS**

When installing Sika® backing rods, be careful not to cut or puncture the surface skin.

During installation avoid excessive longitudinal stretching of the rod.

For Hot-Poured-Sealants consult our Technical Department for heat-resistant quality.

Do not use as a backer, where sealant is heated and applied at a temperature above  $+70^{\circ}$ C.

Rod diameter should be approx. 25% larger than the joint width.

# ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Note that as a result of specific local regulations the declared data and recommended uses for this product may vary from country to country. Consult the local Product Data Sheet for exact product data and uses.

#### **LEGAL NOTES**

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