Technical Data Sheet

K138 High performance Epoxy Adhesive System



DESCRIPTION:

K138 (Previously known as K2004) epoxy is a structural adhesive, exhibiting high temperature in-service performance and good metal bonding properties.

TYPICAL FEATURES | BENEFITS:

- Extreme condition performance.
- High temperature resistance.
- User friendly.
- Chemical resistant.

- Cure above +5°C.
- Bonds metals.
- Gap filling.

PERFORMANCE DATA:

Properties		Values	
Minimum application temperature: Air		+5°C	
Flash point:	~ Resin ~ Hardener	>110°C >245°C	
Lap Shear Strength:	~ Aluminium ~ Brass ~ Copper ~ Galvanised Mild Steel ~ Mild Steel ~ Stainless Steel	17 16 18 18 * (Degreased only – not abraded) 21 20	
Maximum operating temperature:		+65°C	
Adhesion Properties to correctly prepared surface: ~ Metal		Excellent	
Appearance:	~ Resin ~ Hardener	Beige Coloured Paste Grey Coloured Paste	
SG kg/litre:	~ Resin ~ Hardener	1.7 1.7	
Density Kg/Litre -cured:		1.7	
Coverage:		Use as required: (0.001m³ = 1 Litre) e.g. 1 litre covers 1m² @ 1mm thick	
Pot Life: (Usable Life) Pot life is based on 100gram samples. Large quantities of mixed epoxy will generate heat and the pot life may be significantly reduced.		+12°C− 50%RH +15°C− 50%RH +20°C− 50%RH	60 - 70 minutes 40 - 60 minutes 30 - 40 minutes
Cure Time:		+5°C –50%RH +23°C –50%RH +60°C –50%RH	72 hours 24 hours 1 hour
Clean up:		Wash hands with warm soapy water after any skin contact Solvent HA for tools	
NZ Dangerous Goods Class: ~ Araldite AV138 Resin ~ HV998 Hardener		Refer: SDS	
Packaging:	~ Araldite AV138 Resin ~ HV998 Hardener	1 kg Kit	
Shelf Life:		24 months from date of manufacture. (After this period consult with allnex).	

RECOMMENDED USES:

High temperature moulds.

- Industrial assembly operations.
- Bonds: Aluminium | Brass | Copper | Galvanised mild steel | Mild steel.

NOT RECOMMENDED:

- Application below *5°C air temperature.
- Bonding Polypropylene and polyethylene.

Application to incorrectly prepared surfaces.

HEALTH & SAFETY: Refer safety data sheets (SDS).

- Wear gloves wherever possible.
- Wash hands with warm, soapy water after any skin contact.
- Re-seal all containers tightly.

SURFACE PREPARATION:

The surface to be filled/repaired must be clean and sound.

Remove all dust, dirt, oil, scale, laitance, paint or any other contaminates.

Concrete: Acid etch | Shot blast | Diamond grind | Needle gun.

Metals: Degrease with Acetone > Abrade with medium grit abrasive paper > Degrease with Acetone again.

Timber: Prepare by way of mechanical sanding using 80 grit paper.

Composites: Degrease > Mechanically abrade > Degrease.

MIXING RATIO

K138 Mixing Ratio - By weight

K138 Mixing Ratio - By volume

Element	Value	Element	Value
Resin	100 parts	Resin	100 parts
Hardener	40 parts	Hardener	40 parts

Refer: Cautions Section

The mix ratio must not be altered.

The mix ratio is the only acceptable formula.

Adding more hardener will make the mix softer and it will be uncured.

Increased hardener levels will result in a weaker product.

MIXING METHOD:

Carefully mix the product according to the stated mix ratio.

Mix until uniform and no streakiness is evident.

APPLICATION METHOD:

Notched Trowel | Spatula

Apply mixed adhesive.

Clamp surfaces together for curing period, or hold without movement for cure period.

CAUTION:

K138 is a two part epoxy that is mixed in the specified ratio. Only this ratio will produce a hard, non-softening product.

Adding more hardener (with the aim of making the product cure faster) will not work and will only result in making the product softer. The more hardener that is added, then the softer it will become. No matter how long it is left, it will never harden.

Only the stated mix ratio will work and exhibit the stated heat resistance of *120°C.

Note

Inadequate mixing, incorrect mix ratios or movement before cure are the normal reasons for joint failure.

OTHER EPOXIES AVAILABLE:

- K36 Clear Laminating Resin.
- K78 Crack Repair.
- K80 Pourable Grout.
- K83 Machinable Epoxy Grout
- K102 High Viscosity Mortar.
- K106 Structural 24 hour Adhesive.
- K125 Concrete Repair Paste.
- K130 Control Joint Filler.

EPOXY SELECTION:

Refer: Epoxy Selection Chart.

- K138- High Strength, Structural Heat Resistant Adhesive.
- K214 General Purpose Adhesive
- K219- Structural 5 Minute Adhesive.
- K273- Underwater Cure Mortar.
- K2005 High Peel Strength Structural Adhesive.
- Fairing Cream Sandable Smoothing Paste.
- Truestik EA Flexible Adhesive Multipurpose.

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