

## Metal Fix

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### Technical data

Basis	SMX Hybrid Polymer
Consistency	Stable paste
Curing system	Moisture curing
Skin formation* (23°C/50% R.H.)	Ca. 5 min
Curing speed * (23°C/50% R.H.)	3 mm/24h
Hardness**	65 ± 5 Shore A
Density**	1,47 g/ml
Elastic recovery (ISO 7389)**	> 75 %
Maximum allowed distortion (ISO 11600)	± 20 %
Max. tension (ISO 37)**	3,20 N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Elasticity modulus 100% (ISO 37)**	2,30 N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Elongation at break (ISO 37)**	400 %
Temperature resistance**	-40 °C → 90 °C
Application temperature	5 °C → 35 °C

\* These values may vary depending on environmental factors such as temperature, moisture, and type of substrates. \*\* This information relates to fully cured product.

### Product description

SODAL METAL FIX is an extremely strong construction adhesive with high initial tack (> 150kg/m<sup>2</sup>). Suitable for bonding heavy materials without any mechanical fastening.

### Properties

- High initial tack reducing the need for initial support.
- Fast curing
- Good extrudability
- high shear strength after full cure (no primer)
- Stays elastic after curing and very durable
- Impervious to mould, contains biocide with fungicidal action
- No odour.
- Can be painted with water based systems
- Good weather and UV resistance
- Does not contain isocyanates and no silicones
- Good adhesion on slightly moist substrates

### Applications

- Sealing and bonding in the building and construction industry.

- Elastic bonding of panels, profiles and other pieces on the most common substrates (wood, MDF, chipboard, etc).

### Packaging

*Colour:* grey, other colors on request

*Packaging:* 290 ml cartridge, other packaging on request

### Shelf life

15 months in unopened packaging in a cool and dry storage place at temperatures between +5°C and +25°C.

### Chemical resistance

Good resistance to (salt)water, aliphatic solvents, hydrocarbons, ketones, esters, alcohols, diluted mineral acids and alkalis. Poor resistance to aromatic solvents, concentrated acids and chlorinated hydrocarbons.

### Substrates

*Substrates:* metals, treated wood, PVC, plastics, all usual building substrates

*Nature:* rigid, clean, dry, free of dust and grease.

*Surface preparation:* Porous surfaces in water loaded applications should be primed with

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Primer 150. Prepare non-porous surfaces with a Soudal activator or cleaner (see Technical Data Sheet).

Not suitable for PE, PP, PTFE (eg Teflon®), bituminous substrates, copper or copper-containing materials such as bronze and brass. We recommend a preliminary adhesion and compatibility test on every surface.

### Joint dimensions

*Min. width for bonding:* 2 mm

*Min. width for joints:* 5 mm

*Max. width for bonding:* 10 mm

*Max. width for joints:* 30 mm

*Min. depth for joints:* 5 mm

Recommendation sealing jobs: joint width = 2 x joint depth.

### Application method

*Application method:* With manual- or pneumatic caulking gun.

*Cleaning:* Clean with Soudal Surface Cleaner or with Soudal Swipex, immediately after use

*Finishing:* With a soapy solution or Soudal Finishing Solution before skinning.

*Repair:* With the same material.

### Health- and Safety Recommendations

Take the usual labour hygiene into account. Consult label and material safety data sheet for more information.

### Remarks

- Metal Fix may be overpainted with water based paints, however due to the large number of paints and varnishes available we strongly suggest a compatibility test before application.
- The drying time of alkyd resin based paints may increase.
- Metal Fix can be applied to a wide variety of substrates. Due to the fact that specific substrates such as plastics, like polycarbonate, etc, may differ from manufacturer to manufacturer, we recommend preliminary compatibility test.

- While producing plastics very often releasing agents, processing aids and other protective agents (like protection foil) are used. These should be removed prior to bonding. For optimum adhesion the use of Surface Activator is recommended.
- Metal Fix can not be used as a glazing sealant.
- Not suitable for bonding aquariums.
- Do not use in applications where continuous water immersion is possible.
- Metal Fix can be used for bonding of natural stone, but it cannot be used as a joint sealant on this type of surface. Metal Fix can therefore only be used on the bottom of natural stone tiles.
- When applying, make sure that the surface of the materials is not smudged with sealant.
- The sanitary formula should not replace regular cleaning of the joint. Excessive contamination, deposits or soap remainings will stimulate the development of fungi.
- When using different reactive joint sealants, the first joint sealant must be completely hardened before the next one is applied.
- Metal Fix has a good UV resistance but can discolour under extreme conditions or after very long UV exposure.
- Discoloration due to chemicals, high temperatures, UV-radiation may occur. A change in color does not affect the technical properties of the product.
- Contact with bitumen, tar or other plasticizer releasing materials such as EPDM, neoprene, butyl, etc. is to be avoided since it can give rise to discolouration and loss of adhesion.

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### Environmental clauses

#### *Lead regulation:*

Metal Fix conforms to the requirements of LEED. Low –Emitting Materials: Adhesives and Sealants. SCAQMD rule 1168. Complies with USGBC LEED 2009 Credit 4.1: Low-Emitting Materials – Adhesives & Sealants concerning the VOC-content.

### Liability

The content of this technical data sheet is the result of tests, monitoring and experience. It is general in nature and does not constitute any liability. It is the responsibility of the user to determine by his own tests whether the product is suitable for the application.

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