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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Type B: Cylindrical, flexible sealant backings composed of bi-cellular material as defined in Terminology ASTM C 717.

Form: Round Foam Rod **Temperature:** -45°F to 160°F

FEATURES/BENEFITS

- Meets all of the requirements of the 1990 Clean Air Act.
- Is a "Domestic End Product" as defined in the Buy American Act, Title 41 USC 10.
- Easy to apply.
- · Non-gassing.
- Non-exuding.
- · Chemically inert.
- Non-absorbing.

SOF®ROD is a continuous length of extruded polyolefin foam made of a non-absorbing outer skin and a highly resilient interior network of open and closed cells.

SOF®ROD limits the amount of the applied sealant. It acts as a barrier interface to prevent bottom-side adhesion (bondbreaker) and provides a form to assist the sealant in developing the shape factor and depth to width ratio of the sealant.

APPLICATIONS

SOF®ROD is commonly used in expansion and contraction joints where cold applied sealants are used. It is also used in new expansion and contraction joints and joints that are being rehabilitated, that may have non-uniform joint dimension, such as curtain wall construction partitions, precast assemblies and copings, parking decks, bridge construction, building rehabilitation, etc. It easily fills various sizes and shapes of openings and is non-gassing if punctured during installation.

SIZE SELECTION

Proper size selection is important, as it controls the depth of the sealant bead. It must be oversized to fit tightly into the joint and function as a bondbreaker to prevent bottom-side adhesion of the sealant.

COMPATIBILITY

SOF®ROD is basically an inert material, and therefore compatible both physically and chemically with virtually all known cold applied sealants including self-leveling types.

INSTALLATION

Verify that the joint is clean, moisture free and clear of obstructions. Select SOF®ROD in a diameter approximately 25% larger than the joint. Cut SOF®ROD to the desired length or dispense directly from the reel. Position SOF®ROD in the joint at the depth specified by the sealant manufacturer,

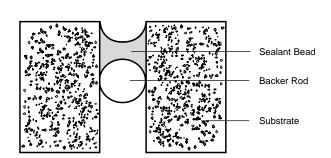
engineer, or architect. Press SOF®ROD uniformly into the joint using a blunt tool or roller, such as, CRL Cat. No. T607CU605. Apply the sealant over SOF®ROD following the sealant manufacturer's directions.

PRECAUTIONS

Do not puncture, over compress or stretch SOF®ROD during insertion. Do not use with hot applied sealants. Tests for out-gassing of cold applied sealants shall be made in accordance with ASTM Test Method C1253. Sealant compatibility should be confirmed by the sealant manufacturer. Compatibility characteristics of sealants in contact with sealant backings can be determined by ASTM Test Method C 1807.

TABLE 1 - PHYSICAL PROPERTIES					
Property/Test Methods	Value				
Water Absorption (ASTM C1016-Procedure B)	.10 (g/cc)				
Density (ASTM D 1622)	18 (kg/m³)				
Outgassing (ASTM C 1253)	bubbles)				
Compression Recovery (ASTM D 5249)	>90 %				
Compression Deflection (ASTM D 5249)>2	0.5 (kPa)				
Tensile Strength (ASTM D 1623)	200 (kPa)				

PRODUCT PACKAGING INFORMATION									
NOMINAL DIAMETER		JOINT DIMENSION		LINEAR FT/ CARTON		WEIGHT/ CARTON			
3/8"	(10 mm)	1/4"	(6 mm)	3600 ft	(1097 m)	12 lbs	(2 kg)		
5/8"	(16 mm)	1/2"	(13 mm)	1550 ft	(472 m)	12 lbs	(2 kg)		
7/8"	(22 mm)	11/16"	(18 mm)	850 ft	(259 m)	12 lbs	(2 kg)		
1-1/8"	(29 mm)	7/8"	(22 mm)	400 ft	(122 m)	12 lbs	(2 kg)		
1-1/2"	(38 mm)	1-1/8"	(29 mm)	552 ft	(168 m)	18 lbs	(8 kg)		
2"	(51 mm)	1-5/8"	(41 mm)	360 ft	(110 m)	18 lbs	(8 kg)		



Sof®Rod is used in expansion joints and similar applications



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