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Recommended Tools

• Tape Measure, Sharp Knife, Miter Saw, Painters Tape, Denatured Alcohol, Wood Wedges, Caulking Gun, Caulking Trowel, Duct Tape, 2 Empty Clean 1 Gallon Containers, Lint Free Rags

Items Included

- Elastomeric Flexible SealantRequired Color Match Silicone Sealant
- 1200 Foam Sticks Required Epoxy

Material Sizing

• Measure joints every 5-7 feet [1.5-2m] to ensure the opening is correct for the supplied material. Verify joint depth is sufficient to fully recess foam.

Material Preparation

• Store the material at a minimum of 68°F [20°C] for at least 24 hours before the installation, regardless of the temperature at the installation site.

• <u>NOTE</u>: Storing material in cold temperature will increase the amount of time required for the foam seal to fully expand.

• Store the materials in a dry enclosed area. Keep material off the ground and out of direct sunlight. Do not allow water to come into contact with the foam until fully installed, sealed and cured!

Joint Preparation

Concrete:

• Verify the joint is clean and sound and is an appropriate surface for installation of the joint sealant. Apply alcohol to a clean cloth and wipe the joint walls to the depth of 1" [25mm] below the sealant material. Sand blast both sides of joint as deep as the foam system requires (see details or technical data). Keep the nozzle a max distance of 2" from substrate. Use compressed air to clear any loose debris from the joint.

• Ensure Joint is parallel along entire length, joint depth must have a depth greater than or equal to the full depth of the material, plus 1/2" [6mm] See FIG A

• Verify that the joint is uniform. Repair any spalls prior to installation using proper materials and methods to ensure maintenance of fire-rated wall assembly and resist water intrusion.

• Apply protective blue painters tape to the joint face edges to prevent silicone and epoxy from contacting the deck surface.

Metal (Applicable for deck pour stops when the exposed metal at under side of deck is fire proofed):

• Confirm that the metal is clean and has no secondary finishes.

• Solvent-wipe the substrate just prior to applying epoxy. Sand blast both sides of joint as deep as the foam system requires (see details or technical data). Keep the nozzle a max distance of 2" from substrate.

IMPORTANT: Ensure that there is no rust and no secondary finishes remain on metal substrates before the epoxy is applied.

ags seals in storage for longer than 2 weeks will greatly increase the amount of time required for the foam seal to reach maximum expansion.

• NOTE: Material may take up to 72 hrs. to fully expand.

Important Note on Pre-Compressed Foam Seal:

• NOTE: In cold temperature installations, provide as much ambient heat as possible around the installed joint (after installation) to accelerate the rate of material recovery.

Material is made to order, Keeping Pre-Compressed foam



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CRITICAL Place marks on the deck or wall surface 1" [25mm] shorter than the product length (i.e. foam received is 61" [1549mm], mark floor at 60" [1524mm] O.C.) to ensure foam is installed with proper compression at seams.

Joint Prep and Mixing Epoxy:

1. Use painters tape or other suitable tape to protect exposed joint face. Return tape into the joint by 1/2" [13mm]. See Fig 1

NOTE: Epoxy adhesive is only used when the joint is 6" [152mm] or above.

2. Epoxy adhesive may be used in the >40°F (5°C) to 95°F (35°C) temperature range. Transfer the contents of Part B (hardener) and the contents of Part A (base) into a clean bucket. See Fig 2

Mix the material thoroughly with a low speed drill (300 rpm) for 3 minutes. Scrape the walls and bottom of the container to ensure uniform and complete mixing with no streaks.

- **NOTE:** Normal pot life at 77°F is 30 min. For every +17°F [9.5°C] epoxy cures twice as fast; While every -17°F [9.5°C] epoxy cure time doubles.
- **TIP:** Mix only the required amount of the epoxy that will be used within 30 minutes to prevent the epoxy from curing prematurely.

WARNING: NEVER thin the epoxy

NOTE: Epoxy will harden faster when left in the mixing pot, due to the heat it generates. Because of this, apply epoxy to the joint as soon as possible to slow the curing time.

Installation:

NOTE: Seals for joints smaller than 6" [152mm] will have a white film on one side, and a clear film on the other side. See Fig 3

- For joints with a nominal size smaller than 6" [152mm], apply a continuous bed of the supplied silicone caulk, 1/16" [1.5mm] thick, to the full depth of the seal on the side of the joint to receive the clear film side.
- 2. Remove the white release liner on the side of the seal (See Fig 3) and place the material into the joint, starting at the bottom of the 1200 foam stick, while gently pushing the pressure sensitive adhesive (white film side) up against one side of the joint. Remove clear release liner and allow the material to expand and fill the joint, shim as required if foam expands unevenly. Note: If the PSA is hampering installation, use a spray bottle to wet the adhesive surface of the seal (will not affect the final sealing properties).



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3. When the joint is 6" [152mm] or above, install the foam with epoxy. Use a trowel, brush, or gloved hand to apply the mixed epoxy on both sides of the joint edge in a uniform layer, to a consistent depth of 1/16" [1.5mm]. See Fig 4

While applying epoxy to the joint faces, others should prepare the 1200 Foam for installation into joint opening. DO NOT Remove the 1200 Foam from its original shrink wrapped packaging until its equivalent length of joint has been prepared.

Epoxy must still be uncured, and tacky when installing the 1200 system.

4. To remove 1200 Foam from shrink wrap, cut the plastic packaging by cutting on the hard board along the length of the stick DO NOT cut along the silicone face. Remove hard board and inner release liner. See Fig 5

After cutting the shrink wrap, work quickly to avoid material expanding beyond an easily installable size.

5. (Not required for uncoated material)

Silicone face may be coated in the factory with a release powder. Prior to installation, this agent must be wiped off in order for the finish bead to properly adhere along the edge of the 1200 system. **See Fig 5**

To remove the release agent, lightly and thoroughly wipe the cured silicone facing with a lint-free rag dampened with water. **See Fig 6**

6. After verifying that the epoxy on the joint has not cured, install the foam into the joint. For vertical conditions begin installation starting from the bottom of the joint working upward. **See Fig 7**a

Starting from the bottom of the 1200 Foam stick, insert material into the joint opening, ensure the silicone surface of the seal is facing outwards. The material should fit securely and must be installed into the substrate to the fully installed depth, usually 1/4" [6mm] below joint surface. When the material has expanded to a secure fit, it will support itself while the epoxy cures. **See Fig 7b**

Use of wood shims or wedges may be necessary to compress foam in place at first.

NOTE: Ensure joint material is not stretched during installation by aligning seams with marks on the deck/wall applied before Step1.

NOTE: Any joint that terminates with an exposed end and not terminating into another stick or structural termination MUST be coated on exposed end with elastomeric flexible sealant after the system is installed, or by applying to terminating substrate. This will ensure the joint is properly terminated and exposed end of foam seal is protected from water absorption.



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NOTE: Joint substrate not shown to aid in clarity only



Fig 10



7. After the first 1200 stick is installed to the proper depth, run a continuous bead of supplied color matched silicone along the edge of the silicone bellows. See Fig 8a

Apply the supplied elastomeric flexible sealant on the end of the installed Fire Rated Foam, ensuring to completely entomb end in sealant. See Fig 8b

Flatten the elastomeric flexible sealant to an even 1/16" [2mm] thickness. See Fig 8c

- 8. To install next length of 1200 Foam, repeat instructions 3-6. Verify that the new piece of material is cut square and not at an angle to the previous material installed.
- **Tip:** Apply denatured alcohol to the knife for a smoother cut or heat blade with propane torch for easy cuts.
- *Critical*: All seams must be in compression with previous seal. Install with 1" [25mm] compressed overlap and ensure alignment with previously applied marks on the deck. Install the far end of the seal and work back towards the previous piece. See Fig. 9
- 9. "T" and "+" Intersections: Install horizontal material first. Butt the vertical material up to the horizontal material following steps 1+2.
- 10. Horizontal To Vertical Intersections: (Inside Corner) Begin the installation at the horizontal condition. At the point of transition cut a V-notch in the back of the foam seal, making sure not to cut through the face of the seal. Fold foam seal downward, and seal the connection with the provided elastomeric flexible splicing sealant.
- 11. Vertical to Horizontal Intersections: (Outside Corner) Starting at one end, cut the silicone face of the horizontal foam seal to create a matching notch for the vertical seal to seat in. Install horizontal seal, then continue installing vertical seal. Seal the connection with the provided elastomeric flexible splicing sealant and silicone.



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