Robnor Adhesive

Technical Data Sheet EL420AR

(Two-Component Polyurethane System)

Description

EL420AR is a two-part, room temperature curing polyurethane resin adhesive formulated for toughness, impact strength and weather resistant properties.

EL420AR is used in the bonding and sealing of window panels, optical instruments and high quality castings.

EL420AR has excellent outdoor weathering properties, due to the incorporation of both UV resistant base materials and the addition of UV stabilisers and antioxidants.

Features Excellent long term UV stability

Excellent adhesion to ABS Scratch and mar resistant

Non-toxic

Meets requirements of WEEE & RoHS

Easy to mix and process

Specification

Property	Resin RL420AR	Hardener	Mixed EL420AR
Colour	Water white	HL420AR Water white	Water white
Specific Gravity g/ml	1.17	1.13	1.15
Viscosity m.Pa.s @ 25°C	1500	2500	2000
Mix Ratio by Weight	1.0: 1		
Mix Ratio by Volume	1.0: 1		

Cure Schedule	Working Life	Light Handling	Full Cure	Post Cure
Temperature	(minutes *)	(hours *)	(hours *)	(**)
10°C	6	12	48	3 days @ 25°C
20°C	5	6	24	4 hours @ 60°C
30°C	3	3	12	2 hours @ 80°C

^{*2}mm cross sectional area

Cure time will depend on cross sectional area, ambient conditions and mixing method. The above are typical values and will vary depending on the cured mass and application. Hotter temperatures may be used for faster cure but will result in higher post cure shrinkage and higher cure exotherm. Experimentation and testing is suggested to avoid side effects.

For maximum properties a post cure may be required - call Robnor Technical Service Department for advice.

Typical Properties

Water Absorption 1.17% (30 days @25°C) Shore A Hardness 75 Operating Temperature range - 60 to + 100°C Thermal Conductivity < 0.3 W/mKTensile Strength 7 MPa Elongation at Break 100% Compressive Yield Strength < 10 mPa Coefficient of Linear Expansion 100-150 pp/m°C Volume Resistivity $< 13 \text{ Log}_{10}\text{ohmm}$ Surface Resistivity < 14 Log₁₀ohm Electric Strength 20 kV/mm Refractive Index 1.47-1.48

Lap shear adhesion

Aluminium to Aluminium	6.2 MPa	ABS to ABS (1)	6.8 MPa
Copper to Copper	5.4 Mpa	Nylon 6 to Nylon 6	3.0 MPa
Stainless Steel	6.5 MPa	Acrylic to Acrylic	3.9 MPa

(1) Substrate failure

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^{**}For maximum properties

Packaging

Part number

50g Twin Cartridge 200g Twin Cartridge EL420AR/NC/050 TC EL420AR/NC/200 TC

Availability:

Available through sales@robnor.co.uk, distribution and www.resins-online.com

Cartridge Mixing

It is essential for best results that the cartridge is 'balanced' before use to ensure correct mixing.

Loading the cartridge into the gun before attaching the mixer element and pumping the gun to push a small amount of the contents forward will achieve this. Wipe the excess from the cartridge tip and add the static mixer.

The cartridge is now ready for use.

Twinpacks

Twinpacks are pre-weighed resin and hardener components contained in a tough flexible film, separated by a removable clip and rail.

Once the clip and rail is removed the resin and hardener is thoroughly mixed within the bag and is immediately ready for use.

Mixing will normally take ~ 2 minutes for EL420AR due to the low viscosity; but pay special attention to the corners. Twinpacks are ideal for small to medium production runs, prototyping and on-site or field use.

The twinpack weight/volume may also be tailored to a specific size on request.

For further details please visit www.robnor.co.uk

Bulk Materials

Both resin and hardener are supplied in 5kg, 25kg and 200ltr drums and fully evacuated and ready for use.

Care should be taken to ensure when mixing the resins air is not entrained in the mixture.

If this is unavoidable the mixed resin and hardener should be re-evacuated before dispensing.

The bulk resin and hardener materials can be dispensed from suitable dispensing machinery and Robnor Resins produce a range of these machines, details that can be provided on request.

Kits

In kit form, resin and hardener are provided in separate containers to the correct ratio.

In most cases, pour the hardener into the larger resin container and use it as a mixing vessel.

Stir well using an appropriate mixer until homogeneous.

Note: Incomplete mixing will be characterised by erratic or partially incomplete cure even after extended time periods.

Cleaning

All equipment contaminated with mixed material should be cleaned before the material has hardened.

Robnor Resins TS130 is a suitable non-flammable cleaning agent, although other solvents may be found suitable.

TS130 will also remove cured material provided it is allowed to soak for a number of hours.

Storage and Shelf Life

Material stored in the original unopened containers under cool dry condition between 15° and 25°C will have a shelf life of at least two years.

Once used the containers must be kept sealed to prevent effects from water, air or contaminants.

Health and Safety

Polyurethane resin systems may cause sensitisation by skin contact or inhalation may be corrosive, harmful or toxic. It is therefore strongly recommended that skin and eye contact is avoided by the using of appropriate personal protective equipment; such as gloves, safety glasses or goggles and overalls.

Wash any contamination from the skin immediately and thoroughly and do not eat, smoke or drink in the working vicinity.

Under normal working conditions a good source of ventilation is adequate, however if the material is heated, or where vapour levels are likely to exceed the occupational exposure limits appropriate respiratory protection must be

Local exhaust ventilation (LEV) may be required especially for curing ovens or where large volumes of material are curing.

The above is given as a guide only; please refer to RL/HL420AR Health and Safety data or our Technical Service Department for individual/specific advice.

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