

SikaBond®-T55 (J)

Easy Flowing Timber Flooring Adhesive

Construction

Description	SikaBond-T55 (J) is a one-part polyurethane adhesive for direct elastic bonding of timber floors. The adhesive is of low viscosity and cures on exposure to atmospheric moisture.
Uses	SikaBond-T55 (J) is an elastic timber flooring adhesive suitable for bonding parquetry strip floor panels to concrete or timber floors (both new or existing), or as an underlay prior to timber flooring.
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One part, easy to use.• Excellent elasticity.• Excellent sound dampening qualities.• Parquetry floor can be sanded after 12 hours.• Quick tack free time.• Low odour.• Excellent bead stability.
Storage and Shelf Life	Stored in the original sealed container at a temperature range of between 0°C and 25°C, this material will keep for a minimum of nine (9) months.
Instructions for Use	
Surface Preparation	Surfaces must be clean, dry and free from all traces of contamination and loose material. The surface must be structurally sound before application. Any previous coatings or adhesives must be completely removed. To prevent moisture migration and any swelling or cupping of the timber, it is recommended that ground floor slabs be coated with Sika Primer-MB if excessive moisture is present in the concrete.
Priming	<p>The moisture content should be measured in accordance with the Floor Coverings Standard, AS1884 – 1985. A method of testing concrete moisture is given in the appendix of this standard.</p> <p>When the moisture content of the concrete is found to be between 0% and 5.5%, the substrate is considered suitable for SikaBond-T55(J) to be applied without a primer. When the moisture content of the concrete is found to be between 5.5% and 10%, Sika Primer-MB must be used as a primer before applying SikaBond-T55(J).</p> <p>When the moisture content of the concrete is greater than the 10%, EpoCem should be used as a temporary moisture barrier. Sika Primer-MB should then be used as a prime coat before applying SikaBond-T55 (J). When priming with Sika Primer-MB, a continuous visible film of cured epoxy must be observed on the surface. The application rate will depend on the porosity of the substrate.</p>
Application	<p>Sausage: Place the sausage in the application gun and snip off the end. Cut the tip off the nozzle to suit the application and apply to the adhesive with suitable hand or compresses air gun.</p> <p>Pail: Remove lid off pail and cut open foil liner. Once opened, the entire contents of the pail should be used within a short period of time.</p> <p>Do not apply SikaBond-T55 (J) at temperatures below 5°C or above 35°C. The optimum temperature for substrate and adhesive is between 15°C and 25°C.</p> <p>The adhesive should be applied over a large surface area with a notched spreader (notch depth approx. 6mm to achieve 4mm head height). The coverage will vary from 800ml to 1000ml per m². Avoid air entrapment when making the bond or filling joints.</p> <p>Apply firm pressure when bringing components together and keep the joint under pressure for at least 3 hours until the adhesive has partially cured.</p> <p>For application details of timber flooring systems, contact the timber manufacturer.</p>

Cleaning	Uncured SikaBond-T55 (J) can be removed from tools and equipment using Sika Colma Cleaner. Cured material can only be removed mechanically.
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Technical Data (Typical)

Basis	One part polyurethane
Colour	Ochre
Density	1.35 kg/litre (uncured)
Viscosity	30 Pa.s at 20°C
Tack free time (at 23°C & 50% R.H.)	90 minutes (approximately)
Rate of cure (at 23°C & 50% R.H.)	3mm in first 24 hours (approximately)
Shrinkage (DIN52451)	5%
Shore A (DIN53505)	38
Tensile Strength (DIN281)	>1.0 MPa
Tensile Strength (DIN53504)	>1.5 MPa
Elongation at break (DIN53504)	>400%
Tear Strength	>6 MPa
Service Temperature	-40°C to 80°C
Packaging	600ml sausage, 2kg sausage, 16kg pail

Important Notes

- SikaBond-T55 (J) is resistant to water, dilute acids, and diluted caustic solutions. It is temporarily resistant to fuel, animal fats and oils. It is NOT resistant to organic acids, concentrated mineral acids and concentrated caustic solutions.
- SikaBond-T55 (J) can be overpainted when tack free. Compatibility tests must be first carried out. It should be noted that the paint may impair the elasticity of the adhesive and this may lead to cracking.
- Due to the many forms of timber flooring available today, including prefinished timber with a coating applied to the under side of the timber, preliminary adhesion testing should be undertaken by the installer to confirm adhesion as well as the structural integrity of any such coating when no previous history of successful bonding is available.

Limitation

- SikaBond-T55 (J) is not recommended as a stand alone coating.
- Timber flooring systems should be allowed to acclimatise to the environment it is to be placed in to allow for expansion and shrinkage problems that may occur. Refer to the timber manufacturers installation and design procedures.

Handling Precautions

- Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
- Wear protective gloves and eye protection during work.
- If skin contact occurs, wash skin thoroughly.
- If in eyes, hold eyes open, flood with warm water, seek medical attention without delay.
- A full Material Safety Data sheet is available from Sika on request.

Important Notification

The information, and, in particular, the recommendations relating to the application and end-use of Sika's products, are given in good faith based on Sika's current knowledge and experience of the products when properly stored, handled and applied under normal conditions. . In practice, the differences in materials, substrates and actual site conditions are such that no warranty in respect of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose, nor any liability arising out of any legal relationship whatsoever, can be inferred either from this information, or from any written recommendations, or from any other advice offered. The proprietary rights of third parties must be observed. All orders are accepted subject of our terms and conditions of sale. Users should always refer to the most recent issue of the Australian version of the Technical Data Sheet for the product concerned, copies of which will be supplied on request.

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