



Metal-Tech XG

Data Sheet and Application Guide

Product Description

Thortex Metal Tech XG has been specifically developed as a high performance repair system with extended working time for rebuilding and repairing equipment requiring good mechanical strength, making the product ideal for use in warm environments.

Product Features

- Good application characteristics with good build characteristics.
- Designed for application by trowel or spatula at thicknesses up to 12mm.
- Outstanding cold weld capabilities.
- Suitable for use to repair cracked castings and rebuilding worn shafts, bearing housings, flanges etc.
- Excellent adhesion to correctly prepared metal surfaces.

General Application Steps

1. Remove oil, grease and loosely adhering deposits.
2. Abrade by appropriate means to create a coarse profile.
3. Apply Thortex Metal Tech XG to the required thickness.
4. Allow to cure.
5. Visually inspect the system for defects.
6. Repair any defects.
7. Carry out machining as required.

Surface Preparation

Heavy contamination due to oil or grease must first be removed using solvent-based cleaner. All loose material, rust and surface contaminants, including existing coatings, must be removed and the surface roughened by using an angle grinder, needle gun or abrasive blasting.

When treating existing equipment which may have become salt impregnated due to service conditions, surfaces should first be wet blasted then dry blasted and tested for presence of salts. This process should be repeated until all salts are removed.

Where grinding or needle gunning is used, the surface should be cross-scored to improve adhesion. Care must be taken, when angle grinding, to avoid polishing rather than roughening metal surfaces. Where possible, abrasive blasting is the preferred surface preparation, especially in fluid flow repairs.

Surfaces should finally be carefully degreased using solvent-based cleaner. Cloths should be frequently changed to avoid spreading contamination. On deeply pitted surfaces or porous castings, the cleaner should be worked into the surface by brush and washed off using excess cleaner.

Parts (for example, threads or bearing surfaces) which must remain in position during application but must not adhere to Thortex Metal Tech XG must be coated with Thortex Release Agent prior to application of the repair product.

Product Mixing

Thortex Metal Tech XG is a two component solvent free material comprising Base and Activator components which must be mixed together prior to use.

Measure equal volumes of Base component and Activator component onto a clean mixing board or other suitable surface. The two components should then be thoroughly mixed until completely streak free.

The mixed material should be used within 60 minutes of mixing at 20°C (68°F). This time will be reduced at higher temperatures and extended at lower temperatures.

Application Procedures

The mixed material should be pressed firmly onto the prepared area, working the material into any cracks and surface defects.

When Thortex Metal Tech XG is being used to bond two surfaces together, both surfaces should be coated with the material. The two pieces should then be pressed firmly together and clamped in position until the product has set, any excess material squeezed out should be scraped away before the product begins to cure.

When Thortex Reinforcement Tape is being used to strengthen the repairs the tape should either be impregnated with Thortex Metal Tech XG or the tape should be laid over the Thortex Metal Tech XG surface and stippled into the material before it cures, then additional Thortex Metal Tech XG applied over the surface. Where additional applications are required to build up thickness, the additional application must be carried out within the initial set time of the previous application, otherwise the surface of the previous application must be abraded.

Properties

Property	Value
Color	Grey
Ratio	1:1 By volume 1.1:1 By weight
Drying & Cure times at 20°C (68°F)	
Useable life	60 mins
Initial Set	4 hours
Hard Dry for machining	12 hours
Full Mechanical Cure	5 days
Volume Solids	100%
Film Thickness	Up to 12 mm (.47 in)
Volume Capacity	392cc (23.94 cu ins) per kilo
Flexural Strength	56 Mpa (80000 psi) ASTM D695)
Compressive Strength	70 Mpa (10000 psi) ASTM D695)
Heat Distortion Temperature	60°C (140°F) (ASTM D648)
Tensile Shear Adhesion	17.24 Mpa (2500 psi) on grit blasted steel (ASTM D1002)
Corrosion Resistance	5000 hours (ASTM B117)
Shore D Hardness	85 (ASTM D2260)
Maximum Operating Temperature	120°C (248°F) - Dry 70°C (158°F) - Wet

Packaging and Storage

Supplied in 3 and 5 kilo units.

Use within 5 years of date of manufacture. Store in original sealed containers at temperatures between 5°C and 32°C.

Handling and Safety Precautions

Read all Health Hazard, Precautionary and First Aid, Material Safety Data Sheet, and/or product label prior to handling or use.

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