



### DESCRIPTION

A high performance compound which contains fine high alumina ceramic beads, for maximum wear and abrasion resistance in areas conveying fine particles

### RECOMMENDED APPLICATIONS

- Use to protect, repair & rebuild exhausts, pulverisers, ash systems, cyclones, vibrating tables, dust collectors, screens, fans & housings, chutes, screw conveyors, pumps, pneumatic conveying system & other equipment
- Repair ceramic tile lined equipment – use to featheredge ceramic tiles or to fill in irregular shaped surfaces in conjunction with ceramic tiles

### PRODUCT DATA

Chemical Resistance 7 Days room temperature cure (30 days) – Testing Carried out 30 days immersion at 24°C	
Ammonia	N/A
Cutting Oil	N/A
Ethyl Alcohol	N/A
Gasoline (unleaded)	Excellent
Hydrochloric Acid 10%	Fair
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (MEK)	Fair
Methylene Chloride	N/A
Sodium Hypochlorite 5% (bleach)	N/A
Sodium Hydroxide 10%	Poor
Sulphuric Acid 10%	Fair
Xylene	Excellent

Excellent	-	+/- 1% weight change
Very Good	-	+/- 1-10% weight change
Fair	-	+/- 10-20% weight change
Poor	-	> 20% weight change

### PACK SIZE

- 1kg
- 5kg

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Typical Physical Properties	
Colour	Dark Red
Mix Ratio By Volume	3.8:1
Mix Ratio by Weight	4:1
% Solids by Volume	100
Pot Life @ 25°C	30 minutes
Specific Volume CC/Kg	400
Cured Shrinkage cm/cm	N/A
Specific Gravity	2.5
Temperature Resistance / °C	Dry 121°C
Coverage	800cm <sup>2</sup> /kg & 5mm
Cured Hardness / Shore D	90 D
Dielectric Strength KV/mm	N/A
Adhesive Tensile Shear/MPa	16.5
Compressive Strength MPa	88
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion x10 <sup>-6</sup> cm/cm/°C	N/A
Thickness per Coat / mm	As Required
Functional Cure Time / Hours	16
Recoat Time / Hours	4
Mixed Viscosity / cps (where Applicable)	Putty

### PRECAUTIONS

For complete safety and handling information, please refer to the appropriate Material Safety Data Sheets prior to using this product.

### SHELF LIFE & STORAGE

A shelf life of 3 Years from date of manufacture can be expected for this product when stored at room temperature (22°C) in their original containers.



### APPLICATION INFORMATION

#### Cure

Microbead cures functionally in about 16 hours at 24°C at 12 mm thick. Working time is 30 minutes. The full cure may be increased by applying external heat to 65°C for 2-3 hours. This can be done with a hot box, heat lamps or other heat sources. Never expose this system to a direct flame.

#### Surface preparation

Proper surface preparation is essential to a successful application. The following procedures should be considered:

- All surfaces must be dry, clean and rough.
- If surface is oily or greasy use Devcon Fast Cleaner 2000 Spray/Cleaner Blend 300 to degrease the surface.
- Remove all paint, rust and debris from the surface by abrasive blasting or other mechanical techniques.
- Provide a "profile" on the metal surface by roughening the surface. This should be done ideally by grit blasting (8-40 mesh grit), or by grinding with a coarse wheel or abrasive disc pad. An abrasive disc may be used provided white metal is revealed. Do not 'feather edge' epoxy materials. Epoxy material must be 'locked in' by defined edges and a good 75-100 micron profile.
- Metal that has been handling sea water or other salt solutions should be grit blasted and high pressure water blasted and left overnight to allow any salts in the metal to 'sweat' to the surface. Repeat blasting may be required to 'sweat out' all the soluble salts. A test for chloride contamination should be performed prior to any epoxy application. The maximum soluble salts left on the substrate should be no more than 40 p.p.m. (parts per million).
- Chemical cleaning with Devcon Fast Cleaner 2000 Spray/Cleaner Blend 300 should follow all abrasive preparation. This will help to remove all traces of sandblasting, grit, oil, grease, dust or other foreign substances
- Under cold working conditions, heating the repair area to 30°C - 40° C immediately before applying any of Devcon's Metal-filled Epoxies is recommended. This procedure dries off any moisture, contamination or solvents and assists the epoxy in achieving maximum adhesion to the substrate.
- Always try to make the repair as soon as possible after cleaning the substrate, to avoid oxidation or flash rusting. If this is not practical, a general application of the supplied Primer will keep metal surfaces from flash rusting.

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Note: Large surface areas or equipment subjected to thermal shock, impact or constant vibration should have expanded metal tack welded to the surface. The expanded metal should be solvent wiped, grit blasted and solvent wiped again to remove oil, grease and dust. The expanded metal should be raised at least 1.6mm off the surface to ensure that Microbead will get in between and under the expanded metal.

#### Mixing

Microbead is formulated to be a dense mix that can be applied easily to overhead and vertical surfaces without running or sagging. Add the hardener to resin and mix thoroughly for approximately 3 minutes, being careful to mix material from bottom and sides of container. When mixing large quantities of resin and hardener, use a T- shaped mixing paddle in a power drill at moderate rpm.

#### Application

For best results, product should be kept and applied at room temperature. Devcon Microbead can be applied when temperatures are between 15°C and 32°C. When temperatures are below 21°C, cure and pot life will be longer, and above room temperature, cure and pot life will be shorter. Using a putty knife, trowel or spatula, a very light coat should be applied to "wet out" the surface, allowing for 100% contact and further thickness build-up. Continue to build up a desired thickness. Microbead can be trowelled to a smooth finish with water or by warming the trowel with a torch and lightly trowelling over the uncured wear system.

#### Priming

On areas where grit blasting is not practical and expanded metal cannot be tack-welded to the surface it is recommended to use Devcon Brushable Ceramic as a prime coat to the metal surface. Apply a thin coat (0.4 mm) of Brushable Ceramic to the metal surface and allow to set for only a few hours. Then immediately apply Microbead to the surface before the prime coat is fully cured. This prime coat will promote greater adhesion to a smooth surface.

### WARRANTY

ITW Devcon will replace any material found to be defective. As the storage, handling and application of this material is beyond our control we can accept no liability for the results obtained

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