

Product Data Sheet

AkzoNobel Powder Coatings

Resicoat R4-FB Fusion Bonded Epoxy

Product Description

Resicoat R4-FB is a functional fusion bonded epoxy powder coating designed for use on valves and fittings in contact with potable water. Resicoat R4-FB typically offers full corrosion protection of valves and fittings with excellent adhesion, excellent resistance to cathodic disbondment, good flexibility, good chemical stability and excellent heat resistance. The fast cure properties of Resicoat R4-FB make it suitable for applications where consistent film thickness is required.

The Resicoat R4-FB series meets the performance requirements of AS/NZS 4158:2003 and complies with the water quality requirements of AS/NZS 4020:2005.

Powder Properties*

Chemical type	Epoxy
Particle size	Suitable for fluidised bed application
Specific gravity	1.3 – 1.4 g/cm ³
Moisture	0.5% max
Stability	4 months ≤ 25° C
Gel Time	22 ± 5 seconds at 200°C
Film Thickness	>300µm external, >350µm internal
Stoving Schedule	Preheat object to (metal temperature) 190 - 210°C.
(For valves and fittings)	Self curing on 8mm steel at above temperature.

Film properties

Impact Resistance Flexibility	AS/NZS 4158 Section 2.3.5 AS 3862	> 2.0J No cracking at 0°C and 1% strain
Cathodic Disbondment	AS 3862 Appendix M (28 days at 23°C)	r < 15mm
Hot Water Immersion	AS 3862 (14 days at 50°C)	Rating < 1
Water Absorption	AS 3862 (100 days at 23°C)	< 4%
Abrasion Resistance	ASTM D4060 (CS17, 1000g, 1000 cycles)	< 40mg loss
Thermal Stability	AS 3862 (100 days at 100°C)	No cracking at 1.0% strain
Ultraviolet Radiation	ASTM D2565 Type B (100 days)	No cracking at 1.0% strain

Effect on Water Quality

Taste of Water	AS/NZS 4020 Part 1 and 2	Complies
Appearance of Water Extract	AS/NZS 4020 Part 1 and 2	Complies
Growth of Aquatic Micro-organisms	AS/NZS 4020 Part 1 and 2	Complies
Cytotoxic Activity of Water Extract	AS/NZS 4020 Part 1 and 2	Complies
Mutagenic Activity of Water Extract	AS/NZS 4020 Part 1 and 2	Complies
Extraction of Metals	AS/NZS 4020 Part 1 and 2	Complies

Resicoat R4-FB satisfies the criteria of AS/NZS 4020:2005 Products for use in contact with drinking water for hot and cold water applications.

Pre-treatment (Cast iron)

Remove any oil, grease, dust or graphite with suitable solvent, and any salt deposits with fresh water. Grit blast to SA 2 ½ with a surface profile of 50-80 microns, cleaning blasted surface by air blast, brushing or suction. Use gloves to avoid hand contact. Grind out any defects and reblast if necessary. Ensure < 4 hours from blast to coat.

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Preheat using furnace or induction heating as per above curing recommendations. Apply powder via fluidised bed application and test a sample of each product batch to AS/NZS 4158:2003 Section 3 Requirements for Factory-applied Coating for quality control purposes. Small defects in the coating can be repaired using Interplus 1180 if required (available from International Protective Coatings).

Performance

AkzoNobel's liability is strictly limited to replacing such quantity of powder coating as proved to be defective. Before using the powder coating the user shall determine its suitability for his intended use and the user assumes all risk and liability.

Safety Precautions

This product is intended for use only by professional applicators in industrial environments and should not be used without reference to the relevant health and safety data sheet, which AkzoNobel has provided to its customer. If for any reason a copy of the relevant health and safety data sheet is not immediately available the user should contact AkzoNobel to obtain a copy before using the product. Minimum safety precautions in dealing with all powder coatings are as follows. All dusts are respiratory irritants. Therefore, inhalation of the dust or of the vapors resulting from the cure should be avoided. Take steps to prevent skin contact, but should contact occur, wash skin with soap and water. In case of eye contact flush immediately with clean water and seek medical advice. Dust clouds of any finely divided organic material can be ignited with an electric spark or open flame. Dust and powder should not be allowed to build up on surfaces or ledges. Dust collection equipment should be used which has provision for adequate explosion release. All equipment should be electrically earthed to prevent build up of static. Users are recommended to follow the guidelines laid down in AS3754:1990, "Safe Application of Powder Coatings by Electrostatic Spraying".

Disclaimer

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