

3M Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesives DP460 Off-White and DP460NS

Technical Data Sheet

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Product Description 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesives DP460 Off-White and DP460NS are high performance, two-part epoxy adhesives offering outstanding shear and peel adhesion, and very high levels of durability.

Features

- High shear strength
- High peel strength
- 60 minute work life
- Non sag (DP460NS)
- Easy mixing

**Typical Uncured
Physical
Properties**

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| Product | | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 Off-White | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460NS |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| Viscosity (approx.) @ 73°F (23°C) | Base Accelerator | 20,000-50,000 cps 8,000-14,000 cps | 150,000-275,000 cps 8,000-14,000 cps |
| Base Resin | Base Accelerator | epoxy amine | epoxy amine |
| Color | Base Accelerator | white amber | white amber |
| Net Weight Lbs./Gallon | Base Accelerator | 9.3-9.7 8.8-9.2 | 9.3-9.7 8.8-9.2 |
| Mix Ratio (B:A) | Volume Weight | 2:1 2:0.96 | 2:1 2:0.96 |
| Work life, 73°F (23°C) | 20 g mixed 10 g mixed 5 g mixed | 60 minutes 75 minutes 90 minutes | 60 minutes 60 minutes 60 minutes |

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Typical Cured Thermal Properties

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| Product | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 Off-White | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460NS |
|---|---|--|
| Physical Color | Off-white | Off-white |
| Shore D Hardness | 75-80 | 78-84 |
| Thermal Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (in./in./°C) | Below Tg 59 x 10 ⁻⁶ Above Tg 159 x 10 ⁻⁶ | 74.44 x 10 ⁻⁶ 166 x 10 ⁻⁶ |
| Thermal Conductivity (btu - ft./ft. ² - hr. - °F) @ 45°C | 0.104 | 0.104 |
| Electrical Dielectric Strength (ASTM D 149) | 1100 volts/mil | 727 volts/mil |
| Volume Resistivity (ASTM D 257) | 2.4 x 10 ¹⁴ ohm-cm | 3.25 x 10 ¹⁵ ohm-cm |

Typical Curing Characteristics

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Rate of Strength Build-Up

Aluminum, Overlap Shear (7 mil Bondline) (ASTM D 1002-72)

Bonds Tested at 73°F (23°C)

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| Time in Oven | Cure Temperature | | |
|--------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | 73°F (23°C) | 120°F ¹ (49°C) | 140°F ¹ (60°C) |
| 30 minutes | — | <50 | 3000/60 ² |
| 60 | — | 1300 | 4500/60 ² |
| 90 | — | 4300/60 ² | — |
| 2 hours | — | 4400/60 ² | 4800 |
| 3 | — | 4800/60 ² | — |
| 5 | 400 | — | — |
| 6 | 1000 | — | — |
| 7 | 3500 | — | — |
| 24 | 4000/60 ² | — | — |

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| Time in Oven | Cure Temperature | | |
|--------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| | 73°F (23°C) | 120°F ¹ (49°C) | 160°F ¹ (71°C) |
| 15 minutes | — | — | 4860 |
| 30 | — | 10 | 5250 |
| 60 | — | 2800 | 5300 |
| 2 hours | 1 | 5050 | 5470 |
| 4 | 46 | 5400 | 5320 |
| 6 | 970 | 5570 | 5140 |
| 24 | 4500 | — | 5210 |

¹This represents the oven temperature to which the bonds were subjected for the prescribed time. The average bondline temperature during the cure time will be somewhat lower than the oven temperature.

²The value in the denominator is the expected minimum 73°F (23°C) T-peel strength (piw) measured after the indicated cure cycle.

NOTE: The data in this Technical Data Sheet were generated using the 3M™ EPX™ Applicator System equipped with an EPX static mixer, according to manufacturer's directions. Thorough hand-mixing will afford comparable results.

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Typical Adhesive Performance Characteristics

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Substrates and Testing

A. Overlap Shear (ASTM D 1002-72)

Overlap shear (OLS) strengths were measured on 1 in. wide 1/2 in. overlap specimens. These bonds were made individually using 1 in. x 4 in. pieces of substrate except for aluminum. Two panels 0.063 in. thick, 4 in. x 7 in. of 2024T-3 clad aluminum were bonded and cut into 1 in. wide samples after 24 hours. The thickness of the bondline was 0.005-0.008 in. All strengths were measured at 73°F (23°C) except where noted.

The separation rate of the testing jaws was 0.1 in. per minute for metals, 2 in. per minute for plastics and 20 in. per minute for rubbers. The thickness of the substrates were: steel, 0.060 in.; other metals, 0.05-0.064 in.; rubbers, 0.125 in.; plastics, 0.125 in.

B. T-peel (ASTM D 1876-61T)

T-peel strengths were measured on 1 in. wide bonds at 73°F (23°C). The testing jaw separation rate was 20 inches per minute. The substrates were 0.032 in. thick.

C. Bell Peel (ASTM D 3167)

Bell peel strengths were measured on 1/2 in. wide bonds at the temperatures noted. The testing jaw separation rate was 6 in. per minute. The bonds are made with 0.064 in. bonded to 0.025 in. thick adherends.

D. Cure Cycle

With the exception of Rate of Strength Build-Up Tests, all bonds, were cured 7 days at 73°F (23°C) at 50% RH before testing or subjected to further conditioning or environmental aging.

Aluminum, Overlap Shear, at Temperature (PSI)

| | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 Off-White | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460NS |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| -67°F (-55°C) | 4500 | 4900 |
| 73°F (23°C) | 4500 | 4650 |
| 180°F (82°C) (15 min.) ¹ | 700 | 1360 |
| (30 min.) ¹ | 1000 | 1810 |
| (60 min.) ¹ | 1400 | 2630 |
| (4 hr.) ¹ | 2500 | 2680 |
| 250°F (121°C) (15 min.) ¹ | 220 | 420 |

¹Represents time in test chamber oven before test.

Metals, Overlap Shear, Tested @ 73°F (23°C) (PSI)

| | | | |
|-------------------|------------------|------|------|
| Aluminum | Etched | 4500 | 4500 |
| | Oakite degreased | 3200 | 2300 |
| | MEK/abrade/MEK | 3500 | 2670 |
| Cold Rolled Steel | Oakite degreased | 3500 | — |
| | MEK/abrade/MEK | 2800 | 3600 |
| Copper | MEK/abrade/MEK | 4000 | 4400 |
| Brass | MEK/abrade/MEK | — | 3400 |
| | CDA 260 | 4000 | — |
| | Cartridge | 4200 | — |
| Stainless Steel | MEK/abrade/MEK | 4000 | 2400 |
| Galvanized Steel | Oakite degreased | 2000 | 2480 |
| | Hot dipped | 2100 | 3000 |
| | Electrodeposited | | |

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Substrates and Testing

Aluminum, T-Peel (PIW), at Temperature
Aluminum, etched (17-20 mil bondline)

| | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 Off-White | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460NS |
|---------------|---|---|
| -67°F (-55°C) | 5-10 | 3-5 |
| 73°F (23°C) | 60 | 60 |
| 180°F (82°C) | 3-5 | 20 |

Metals, T-Peel, Tested @ 73°F (23°C) (PIW)

| | | | |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|----|------------|
| Aluminum, etched | 17-20 mil bondline | 60 | not tested |
| | 5-8 mil bondline | 50 | |
| Cold Rolled Steel | 17-20 mil bondline | 40 | not tested |
| | Oakite degreased MEK/abrade/MEK | 25 | |

Aluminum Bell Peel (PIW), at Temperature (ASTM D 3167)

| Temperature | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460NS |
|---------------|---|
| -67°F (-55°C) | 19 |
| 73°F (23°C) | 77 |
| 180°F (82°C) | 39 |

Other Substrates, Overlap Shear Tested @ 73°F (23°C)

| Substrate | Surf. Prep. ¹ | | Surf. Prep. ² | |
|----------------|---|-------------------|---|-------------------|
| | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 Off-White | DP460NS | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 Off-White | DP460NS |
| ABS | 300 | 345 | 575 | 572 |
| PVC | 500 | 815 ³ | 350 | 313 ³ |
| Polycarbonate | 400 | 380 | 500 | 390 |
| Polyacrylic | 220 | 210 | 330 | 270 |
| Polystyrene | 450 | 320 | 475 ³ | 490 |
| FRP | 800 | 570 | 1000 ³ | 1379 ³ |
| Phenolic | 1400 ³ | 1210 ³ | 1400 ³ | 1231 ³ |
| SBR/Steel | 150 ³ | 130 | 140 ³ | 239 ³ |
| Neoprene/Steel | 100 | 90 | 120 ³ | 114 ³ |

¹Isopropyl Alcohol Wipe. See Surface Preparation Section D for additional information.

²Isopropyl Alcohol/Abrade/Isopropyl Alcohol: See Surface Preparation Section E for additional information.

³Substrate failure

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Substrates and Testing (continued)

Environmental Resistance, Aluminum (Etched)

Measured by Overlap Shear Tested @ 73°F (23°C) (PSI)¹ (ASTM D 1002-72)

| Environment | Condition | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive | |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--------------|
| | | DP460 Off-White | DP460NS |
| 73°F (23°C)/50% RH | 30 d ² | 5200 | 5460 |
| Distilled Water | 30 d, i ³ | 5100 | 4550 |
| Water Vapor | 120°F (49°C)/100% RH, 30 d 200°F (93°C)/100% RH, 14 d | 4500 3100 | 3920 3370 |
| Antifreeze/H ₂ O (50/50) | 180°F (82°C), 30 d, i | 5000 | 4400 |
| Isopropyl Alcohol | 73°F (23°C), 30 d, i | 5700 | 5320 |
| Methyl Ethyl Ketone | 73°F (23°C), 30 d, i | 4200 | 4000 |
| Salt Spray (5%) | 95°F (35°C), 30 d | 5100 | 5200 |
| Skydrol LD-4 | 150°F (66°C), 30 d, i | 3700 | 5250 |

¹Data reported are actual values from the lots tested and may be higher than values published elsewhere in this Technical Data Sheet.

²d = days

³i = immersion

Environmental Resistance, Galvanized Steels¹

Measured by Overlap Shear Tested @ 73°F (23°C) (PSI)² (ASTM D 1002-72)

| Environment | Condition | Hot Dipped | | Electrodeposited | |
|-----------------------------|--|---|--|---|--|
| | | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 Off-White | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 NS | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 Off-White | 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 NS |
| 73°F (23°C)/50% RH | 30 d ³ | 2200 | not tested | 2300 | not tested |
| Distilled Water | 30 d, i ⁴ | 2300 | not tested | 2300 | not tested |
| Water Vapor | 120°F (49°C)/100% RH, 30 d 200°F (93°C)/100% RH, 14 d | 1900 1500 | not tested | 2000 1000 | not tested |
| Antifreeze/H ₂ O | 180°F (82°C), 30 d, i | 2000 | not tested | 1950 | not tested |
| Isopropyl Alcohol | 73°F (23°C), 30 d, i | 2000 | not tested | 2200 | not tested |
| Methyl Ethyl Ketone | 73°F (23°C), 30 d, i | 2000 | not tested | 2200 | not tested |
| Trichloroethane | 73°F (23°C), 30 d, i | 2300 | not tested | 2300 | not tested |
| Salt Spray (5%) | 95°F (35°C), 30d | 1900 | not tested | 1500 | not tested |

¹Hot dipped or electrodeposited. Galvanized steels may afford a wide spectrum of performance due to the diversity of surfaces available. The user should test to determine specific performance.

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3M™ EPX™
Pneumatic
Applicator
Delivery Rates

200 ml Applicator – Maximum Pressure 58 psi

| Adhesive* | 6mm Nozzle gms/minute | 10mm Nozzle gms/minute |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesive DP460 Off-White | 31.1 | 132.0 |

*Tests were run at a temperature of 70°F ± 2°F (21°C ± 1°C) and at maximum applicator pressure.

Handling/
Application
Information

Directions for Use

3M™ Scotch-Weld™ Epoxy Adhesives DP460 Off-White and DP460 NS are supplied in dual syringe plastic duo-pak cartridges as part of the 3M™ EPX™ Applicator System. The duo-pak cartridges are supplied in 37 ml, 200 ml and 400 ml configurations. To use the 37 ml cartridge simply insert the duo-pak cartridge into the EPX applicator and start the plunger into the cylinders using light pressure on the trigger. Next, remove the duo-pak cartridge cap and expel a small amount of adhesive to be sure both sides of the duo-pak cartridge are flowing evenly and freely. If simultaneous mixing of Part A and Part B is desired, attach the EPX mixing nozzle to the duo-pak cartridge and begin dispensing the adhesive.

With the 200 ml and 400 ml cartridges, the nozzle must be attached before dispensing any material to prevent unmixed adhesive from getting into the applicator cartridge holder. A small quantity of material should be discarded until uniform color, consistency of product and even flow is evident.

When mixing Part A and Part B manually, the components must be mixed in the ratio indicated in the typical uncured properties section. Complete mixing of the two components is required to obtain optimum properties.

Two-part mixing/proportioning/dispensing equipment is available for intermittent or production line use. These systems are ideal for line uses because of their variable shot size and flow rate characteristics and are adaptable to most applications.

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Surface Preparation

The following surface preparations were used for substrates described in this Technical Data Sheet.

A. Aluminum Etch

Optimized FPL Etch - 3M (test method C-2803)

1. Alkaline degrease – Oakite 164 solution (9-11 oz./gallon water) at 190°F ± 10°F (88°C ± 5°C) for 10-20 minutes. Rinse immediately in large quantities of cold running water (3M test method C-2802).

2. Optimized FPL Etch Solution (1 liter):

| Material | Amount |
|-------------------|--|
| Distilled Water | 700 ml plus balance of liter (see below) |
| Sodium Dichromate | 28 to 67.3 grams |
| Sulfuric Acid | 287.9 to 310.0 grams |
| Aluminum Chips | 1.5 grams/liter of mixed solution |

To prepare 1 liter of this solution, dissolve sodium dichromate in 700 ml of distilled water. Add sulfuric acid and mix well. Add additional distilled water to fill to 1 liter. Heat mixed solution to 66 to 71°C (150 to 160°F). Dissolve 1.5 grams of 2024 bare aluminum chips per liter of mixed solution. Gentle agitation will help aluminum dissolve in about 24 hours.

To FPL etch panels, place them in the above solution at 150 to 160°F (66 to 71°C) for 12 to 15 minutes.

Note: Review and follow precautionary information provided by chemical suppliers prior to preparation of this etch solution.

3. Rinse immediately in large quantities of clear running tap water.
4. Dry – air dry approximately 15 minutes followed by force dry at 140°F (60°C) maximum for 10 minutes (minimum).
5. Both surface structure and chemistry play a significant role in determining the strength and permanence of bonded structures. It is therefore advisable to bond or prime freshly primed clean surfaces as soon as possible after surface preparation in order to avoid contamination and/or mechanical damage. Please contact your 3M sales representative for primer recommendations.

B. Oakite Degrease

Oakite 164 solutions (9-11 oz./gallon of water) at 190°F ± 10°F (88°C ± 5°C) for 2 minutes. Rinse immediately in large quantities of cold running water.

C. MEK/Abrade/MEK

Wipe surface with a methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) soaked swab, abrade and wipe with a MEK soaked swab.* Allow solvent to evaporate before applying adhesive.

D. Isopropyl Alcohol Wipe

Wipe surface with an isopropyl alcohol soaked swab.* Allow solvent to evaporate before applying adhesive.

E. Isopropyl Alcohol/Abrade/Isopropyl Alcohol

Wipe surface with an isopropyl alcohol soaked swab, abrade using clean fine grit abrasives, and wipe with an isopropyl alcohol soaked swab.* Then allow solvent to evaporate before applying adhesive.

*Note: When using solvents, extinguish all ignition sources, including pilot lights, and follow the manufacturer's precautions and directions for use.

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| | |
|--|---|
| Storage | Store products at 60-80°F (15-27°C) for maximum shelf life. |
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