



# **TECHNICAL DATA SHEET**

# FULASEAL 740 BATHROOM & KITCHEN

## **Description**

Fulaseal 740 Bathroom & Kitchen Silicone Sealant is a high performance acetic cure silicone sealant, specifically formulated for use in sealing applications involving non-porous surfaces commonly found in bathrooms, kitchens and laundries. Fulaseal 740 Bathroom & Kitchen Silicone Sealant contains a biocide which provides resistance to the growth of mildew.

#### **Benefits**

- Permanently flexible
- Seals water tight
- Resistant to mould and mildew growth
- 25% dynamic movement capability
- One part, ready to use
- 25 year guarantee against cracking and crumbling when used in standard conditions and applications.

#### Uses

- Sealing and waterproofing around sinks and other plumbing fixtures
- sealing around shower screens and bases
- sealing around bathtubs and spas
- sealing and weather proofing sanitary ware

## **Compatible Substrates**

Glass	Timber
Ceramic	Fibreglass
Vitreous china	Baked enamel surfaces
Laminated plastic	Zincalume
Most plastics	
(pretest)	

#### **Performance Data**

Property	Data
Sag or slump	Nil
Tack free time	<1 hour, 25°C, 50% RH
Cure time	2 mm per 24 hours,
Working time	10 minutes
Curing method	Acid (Acetoxy) Cure
Water immersion	Not suitable
Joint Movement	<u>+</u> 25%
Capabilities	

#### Mould and Mildew resistance

The effectiveness of the mould inhibitor will diminish with time. To increase the life of the sealant, it is recommended that build up of soap scum and body oils be removed using a solvent or bleach on a regular basis. This will discourage the growth of mould or mildew by depriving them of a food source.

Do not use saliva to smooth silicone, as it will reduce resistance considerably to mould and mildew.

### Coverage

300ml cartridge will give approximately 15 lineal meters of a 5mm bead

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All surfaces must be clean, dry, sound and free of dust, oil, old sealant or other contamination. Lightly contaminated surfaces should be wiped with Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA) using the 2-rag wipe method. Apply IPA to a clean lint-free cloth and wipe onto the surface to be cleaned to solubilise and remove the majority of the contaminant. A clean dry cloth should then be applied to remove remaining contamination and dry the surface. Ensure wet cleaner is not allowed to dry on surface. For more heavily contaminated surfaces or where the IPA does not remove the contaminant, a generic wax and grease remover should be applied using the same 2rag wipe method. Once this has been completed the surface should be given a final clean with IPA using the 2-rag wipe method to ensure the surface is adequately prepared. Adhesion to metals and some surface finishes can be further improved by light abrasion prior to cleaning with IPA using the 2 rag-wipe method. For glazing applications IPA should be used to clean and prepare the surface. Manufacturers of plastics should be consulted about suitable cleaning solvents. Adhesion to plastics should be pre-tested. Mask either side of joint to produce a neat finish. Use a suitable sized foam backing rod or polyethylene bond breaker tape to prevent three sided joint contact impeding the free and even deformation of the sealant in a cyclic

# **Product Application**

joint.

Cut seal on top of cartridge. Screw on nozzle and cut to desired bead size. Hold gun at 45° angle. Push forward, squeezing trigger to gently fill joint. Within 5 minutes of application tool the sealant, ensure the sealant wets the

sides of the joint. If masking tape is used to produce a neat finish, remember to remove the masking tape before the sealant skins. Trim with a knife once cured, if needed.

#### **Painting**

Mask all areas not requiring sealant. Paint will not adhere to silicone. Complete any painting and allow to thoroughly dry before applying sealant.

#### **Chemical Resistance**

Resistant to water, salt water, grease, oils, fuels, defrosting liquid, detergents, aliphatic fats, mildew, weak acids and bases (pre testing required).
Curing

The rate of cure depends on the air temperature and humidity, the cross sectional area of the bead of sealant and the surface area of sealant exposed to the air.At 25°C and 50% relative humidity cure rate is 2 mm / 24 hours. In general, low humidity and/or low temperature will result in longer cure times. Thicker sections of sealant will have longer cure times. A small surface area in relation to the volume of sealant will also extend the cure time. Ensure that the depth of the sealant in a joint never exceeds its width.

## **Shelf Life**

Fulaseal 740 Bathroom & Kitchen silicone sealant will remain suitable for use for 12 months from date of manufacture, if stored in original container, unopened, in cool dry place in temperatures less than 30°C.

Once opened, the contents should be used as soon as possible. The life of contents of an opened cartridge can be extended if the

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nozzle is left in place after use and the tip is wrapped in plastic film.

## Clean Up

Best results are obtained by masking prior to sealing to avoid the necessity for clean up. However, if sealant is applied to areas where it is unwanted, clean up uncured sealant using toluene\*, xylene\*, methyl ethyl ketone\*, or mineral turpentine\* and a cloth. Cured sealant should be removed by abrasion or trimmed with a sharp knife. Do not undercut seal.

Limitations

- Not paintable
- Do not use in contact with food or potable water
- Do not use on freshly painted surfaces
- · Do not use on bituminous surfaces
- Do not use on materials that bleed oils, plasticisers or solvents as this will affect adhesion
- Not a fire rated sealant.
- Do not use in <u>direct</u> contact with silver coating of mirrors, (e.g. edge of mirror)
- Will not cure in absence of atmospheric moisture

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