Devcon®

More than 50 years ago, Devcon introduced Plastic Steel®, a tough, steel-filled epoxy putty as an alternative to welding and brazing.

Today, Devcon offers one of the most extensive lines of highly efficient maintenance and repair products available.

Devcon MRO products include:
- Metal repair epoxies designed to extend the life of critical process equipment
- Flexane® urethanes for rubber repair and casting, low-volume or replacement parts
- Protective coatings that reduce damage from wear and abrasion
- Adhesives for high strength, fast curing applications for plastics and metals
- Metal treatment products designed to protect or lubricate metal surfaces in industrial environments
- Emergency repair products that allow you to repair equipment and return it to service in minutes

All these products can be easily applied by plant maintenance personnel with minimal training.

DEVCON products are manufactured under licence in Australia by ITW Polymers & Fluids

WARRANTY
All recommendations, technical information and test data contained in this product guide are based upon the results of controlled laboratory tests or of actual field test by independent companies. The company has made every effort to ensure that the data contained within this product guide is as up to date as possible. However, the company accepts no claim for any incorrect data contained within this product guide.

INTRODUCTION

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CHEMICAL RESISTANCE OF DEVCON CORE LINE PRODUCTS

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*AVGAS see Aviation Fuel  ** Data for SF refers to short term (ie:days) immersion only

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1- Excellent: suitable for long term immersion
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3- Fair: suitable for intermittent contact only
4- Poor: suitable for splash contact with immediate clean-up only
5- Not recommended

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**DEVCON FLEXANE URETHANE COMPOUNDS**

Typical physical properties after 7 days cure at Room Temperature

- **Flexane 80 Liquid**
  - Viscosity @ 24°C: 10,000 cps
  - Pot Life: 1.50 hours
  - Hardness: 87 Shore A
  - Density: 0.957 g/cm³
  - Shrinkage: 10%
  - Operating Temperature: 65°C
  - Elongation: 14.5%
  - Tensile Strength: 13,800 MPa
  - Modulus: 325 MPa
  - Density: 969 kg/m³

- **Flexane 80 Putty**
  - Viscosity @ 24°C: 87 cps
  - Pot Life: 10 hours
  - Hardness: 82 Shore A
  - Density: 0.848 g/cm³
  - Shrinkage: 10%
  - Operating Temperature: 65°C
  - Elongation: 14.5%
  - Tensile Strength: 13,800 MPa
  - Modulus: 325 MPa
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- **Flexane 94 Liquid**
  - Viscosity @ 24°C: 6,000 cps
  - Pot Life: 60 minutes
  - Hardness: 84 Shore A
  - Density: 0.957 g/cm³
  - Shrinkage: 5%
  - Operating Temperature: 73°C
  - Elongation: 73%
  - Tensile Strength: 13,400 MPa
  - Modulus: 280 MPa
  - Density: 1,016 kg/m³

- **Flexane Brushable***
  - Viscosity @ 24°C: 40,000 cps
  - Pot Life: 500 minutes
  - Hardness: 68 Shore A
  - Density: 0.939 g/cm³
  - Shrinkage: 25%
  - Operating Temperature: 95°C
  - Elongation: 70%
  - Tensile Strength: 13,800 MPa
  - Modulus: 95 MPa
  - Density: 1,277 kg/m³

* Solvent loss
** Taber Abrader H-18 wheel mg loss/1000 cycles 1000g wt
*** Putty 80% solids. Brushable 68% solids

**CHEMICAL RESISTANCE OF FLEXANE-IMMERSION**

Sample Size: 12mm x 12mm  Cure: 7 days at Room Temperature  Immersion: 30 days

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Key: VG - Very Good; F - Fair; U - Unsatisfactory

**FLEXANE ACCELERATOR**

- For speeding up the cure of Flexane at temperatures as low as 0°C.
- ½ teaspoon (2ml) of Accelerator will reduce the cure time of 450g of Flexane by 50%.

Do not use more than 2 teaspoons of Accelerator with each 450g of Flexane.

**PRIMERS:**

**FL-10 Primer**

- Provides excellent adhesion to all metals.
- Use with FL-20 for applications on metal requiring adhesion greater than 9kg/cm.
- Use with FL-20 for applications on metal surfaces that are exposed to water immersion.

**FL-20 Primer**

- Provides excellent adhesion to rubber, wood, fibreglass and concrete.
- Use with FL-20 for applications on metal requiring adhesion greater than 9kg/cm.

**Primer Selection:**

Primers are required for bonding Flexane to most substrates. Choose the recommended primer or combination from the above chart.

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VERSATILE, DURABLE COMPOUNDS THAT DO NOT REQUIRE ANY SPECIAL TOOLS, HEAT OR PRESSURE FOR MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND TOOLING APPLICATIONS. AVAILABLE IN PUTTY AND LIQUID FORMS, DEVCON METAL REPAIR EPOXIES ARE TWO COMPONENT SYSTEMS THAT HARDEN BY MIXING THE CURING AGENT WITH THE RESIN. CURED EPOXIES CAN BE DRILLED, TAPPED, MACHINED OR PAINTED. CHOOSE OF METAL FILLING, APPLICATION AND PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS ALLOW THE USER TO SPECIFY THE BEST EPOXY FOR THE JOB. (FOR FURTHER TECHNICAL INFORMATION REFER TO TECHNICAL DATA SECTION.)

PLASTIC STEEL PUTTY (A)
A steel filled epoxy for maintenance, repairs, tooling and production applications. Plastic Steel Putty requires no special tools, heat or pressure, and once set can be drilled, tapped, machined and painted.

Because it hardens in about 4 hours and will not shrink, it is ideal for repairing pipes, valves and tanks, building up worn equipment tooling and holding fixtures. Bonds to just about anything - including iron, steel, aluminium, brass, wood, glass, ceramics and concrete. Smaller pack size available (see page 10).

PLASTIC STEEL LIQUID (B)
A low viscosity compound with all the properties of Plastic Steel Putty, but in a liquid form for accurate detail reproduction. Use to cast low cost patterns, moulds, holding fixtures, tools and dies.

PLASTIC STEEL 5-MINUTE PUTTY (SF)
This super fast curing putty retains all the properties of Plastic Steel and is ideal for low temperature applications. A pot life of 5 minutes at 24°C makes it perfect for fast repairs to pipes, tanks and other essential equipment, putting them back into service in about 1 hour.

ALUMINIUM PUTTY (F)
This light weight Aluminium filled epoxy has all the characteristics of an Aluminium finish. This non-sagging, non-rusting epoxy is ideal for repairing Aluminium parts, filling Aluminium castings and forming light weight prototypes.

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METAL REPAIR EPOXIES
TECHNICAL DATA

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES AND CHEMICAL RESISTANCE OF DEVCON EPOXY COMPOUNDS

Typical physical properties after 7 days at 21°C

The data supplied has been generated over the years by observing the behaviour of Devcon products in use, laboratory testing and interpretation of our own testing and results contained in the literature. They are based on total immersion of the product in the specified chemical at ambient temperature. As such they can only act as guidelines for actual conditions since factors such as, surface preparation, temperature, concentration and chemical combinations etc. may significantly affect performance. Note that data for an emergency repair product, SF, refers to short term immersion only.

There is NO substitute for testing. There is NO substitute for testing. - we may have information on a similar application indicating what products can and cannot be used.

Lastly, it often makes sense to test an application on a small scale by, for instance, coating only one pump in twenty or repairing an area of conveyer belt rather than the whole plate. If we are unsure of any application, in either a positive or negative way, we will always advise you to test on a small scale or err on the side of caution.

The data is shown as a comparative resistance to attack

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- Good, suitable for medium term or intermittent contact.
- Fair, suitable for intermittent contact only.
- Poor, suitable for splash contact with immediate clean-up only.
- Not recommended.

All products are good in water, leaded petrol, mineral spirits, ASTM #3 oil and propylene glycol.

Only ratings of 3-5 should be taken as any indication of suitability - testing is recommended for any 3 rating.

CAUTION: Epoxies are generally not recommended for long term exposure to concentrated acids and organic solvents. The information contained in these Chemical Resistance Charts is given in good faith and is believed to be reliable. We cannot assume responsibility for extrapolation of this data into situations which are different from the actual test conditions. It is the user’s responsibility to determine the suitability of any of the products for actual use, in consultation with ITW Polymers and Fluids.

STAINLESS STEEL PUTTY (ST)

Use wherever hygiene and corrosion resistance is important. Repair all types of machinery and equipment in non rusting Stainless Steel in meat packing plants, dairies, chemical and food plants.

TITANIUM PUTTY

The technically advanced epoxy formulation of Titanium Putty makes this product the high performer of metal filled epoxies. A service temperature of 170°C, superior compressive strength, resistance to wear and a wide range of chemicals makes Titanium Putty the ideal epoxy to rebuild shafts, keyways, heating housings and other high performance applications.

WET SURFACE REPAIR PUTTY (UW)

Use to repair pipes, tanks, valves and pumps in water treatment plants and paper mills whenever it is not possible to get parts and equipment completely dry. This outstanding epoxy will cure and bond in wet conditions and even under water at temperatures as low as 4°C. It is non-shrinking and non-oxidizing with exceptional tensile and compressive strength making it ideal for the marine industry.

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ABRASION RESISTANT SYSTEMS

This group of technically advanced epoxy systems was developed to meet industry’s requirements for repair materials to be used in extremely aggressive operating environments. DEVCON ABRASION RESISTANT EPOXIES offer a range of abrasion, corrosion and chemical resistance that allows the user to repair, protect and rebuild equipment in the most severe conditions.

(For further technical information refer to Technical Data section).

WEAR RESISTANT PUTTY (WR-2)

A highly wear resistant self lubricating compound for use on surfaces subject to sliding or fluid wear. This non shrinking epoxy can be used for building up and prolonging the life of shafts, pumps, valves, machine beds and for making general repairs. It is a fine ceramic filled epoxy that cures to a smooth low friction finish.

CARBIDE PUTTY

An extremely tough epoxy compound filled with silicon carbide granules up to 2 mm in diameter. This product is capable of withstanding impact and abrasion from slurry to pulverised mineral particles of 2 mm. Excellent chemical and temperature resistance up to 120°C allows Carbide Putty to stand up to constant wear in pipes, elbows, coal pulverisers, slurry pumps and exhuster fans.

CERAMIC REPAIR PUTTY

This non-sag, trowelable ceramic filled epoxy compound has been tested and proven in use to be a truly high performance product. It has outstanding wear resistance, excellent chemical and corrosion resistance and can withstand temperatures up to 175°C. Use to repair and protect processing equipment such as slurry, service water, centrifugal and ash pumps in power plants, pulp and paper mills, chemical and water treatment plants.

BRUSHABLE CERAMIC

This product has all the properties of Ceramic Repair Putty in a liquid form. Brushable Ceramic is a low viscosity, alumina filled, brushable epoxy that provides a smooth, protective barrier against wear, abrasion, corrosion, erosion and chemical attack. Use Brushable Ceramic to protect pump casings and flange faces and to rebuild and seal heat exchanger tube sheets, impeller blades, valves, water boxes, fan blades and chutes and hoppers. Brushable Ceramic is available in two colours (red, blue).
Devcon epoxy compounds are versatile and durable materials used for general maintenance, repair and tooling application. Mixing and application procedures are simple and the results will be very gratifying, providing you follow directions carefully. Proper performance of the material depends upon careful adherence to directions.

The chemistry of epoxies. Devcon epoxies have two component materials that cure, or harden, by chemical reaction between the resin and hardener when they are combined. This chemical reaction generates heat. It’s important to keep the following principles in mind when mixing epoxies:

- The larger the mass of epoxy, the faster the cure.
- The higher the temperature, the faster the cure.
- For proper performance, epoxy must be mixed in specified ratios.
- Typical working time for 500g of epoxy at 24°C is 45 minutes. Functional cure should be overnight (16 hours).
- Specially formulated epoxies are available that offer faster cure time. For example, epoxy will be fully cured in only 4 hours when heat cured at 60°C.

Specialty Formulated Epoxies

The following Devcon epoxy compounds are formulated to perform under specific operating conditions. Choose the best epoxy for your application operating environment.

Fast cure. Plastic Steel 5-Minute Putty (cures 60 min), Combo Wear Fast Cure (cures 70 min)

Wet surface/low temperature cure. Choose Wet Surface Repair Putty which cures at 4°C.

High Temperature Resistance. For maximum operating temperatures in excess of 120°C, choose from the following: Titanium and Ceramic Repair Putty, Brushable Ceramic/Composite, max. 175°C.

Chemical Resistance. The following have excellent resistance to mineral acids and most organic solvents:

- Titanium Putty, Ceramic Repair Liquid, Brushable Ceramics/Sprayable Ceramic
- Corrosion Resistance. To obtain best protection against corrosion choose from: Wear Resistant Putty, Titanium Putty, Ceramic Repair Putty, Brushable Ceramic/Sprayable Ceramic and Wet Surface Repair Putty

Abrasion Resistance. Sliding abrasion - Wear Resistant Putty, Ceramic Repair Putty, Brushable Ceramic/Titanium Putty, Wear Guard Fire Load, Combo Wear Fast Cure.

Machinable finish. Choose Titanium Putty for shafts, keyways and other equipment where application surfaces must be machined to conform to exacting dimensions.

Casting Epoxies

Dry Model and container completely before casting parts. This is particularly important when parts are made of porous material. For best results such parts should be sealed with two coats of lacquer.

ROCILO Dry Film Teflon® Spray, silicone, PTFE spray, or wax should be applied to the model in order to release the cast part from the model. For detailed reproduction, we recommend giving the model three coats of hard finish wax, buffing each coat well between applications.

To eliminate bubbles when casting liquid epoxy:
- Mix the resin and hardener slowly to avoid trapping air in the mixture.
- Brush a thin coat of epoxy on the model to be duplicated before casting the remainder of the epoxy.
- Pour the epoxy in a fine stream into one corner of the box containing the model. Do not pour back and forth.
- Position the model so the widest part is at the bottom of the box.
- Seat out any air under the model to avoid air being trapped in the epoxy while the material is curing.

Shrinkage of cast epoxy depends on the container and the amount of epoxy cast. A thick walled metal container will dissipate the heat generated by the curing epoxy and will minimize shrinkage. Sheet metal, wood and plastic containers, however, tend to hold heat and will cause shrinkage.

To avoid warpage in a large epoxy casting use a span depth ratio of 8 to 1: that is, for every 8cm of length, the ideal epoxy thickness is 1cm.

- Thinner sections can be cast if the epoxy is reinforced with angle iron, wire mesh or glass cloth.
- If a casting is thinner than 10cm, pour it in layers in 3.5cm to 5cm, allowing the epoxy to cool to room temperature before casting each layer.

An epoxy die for forming metal should have a radius equal to the square root of 3 times the thickness of the metal being formed if it is a soft metal of light gauge (22 and up). On heavier gauge metal the radius should be five times the thickness of the metal.

To reduce the cost of a large epoxy casting we recommend using sand, wooden blocks or other inexpensive material for the centre of the casting. Epoxy is then used for the more important wearing or working surfaces.

To form sharp bends in metal on an epoxy die, insert metal inserts or wear strips into the soft epoxy at the point where the greatest wear will occur.

When fabricating an epoxy punch and die we recommend using a high temperature sheet wax to allow for metal thickness.

For low-cost, convenient dispensing of epoxy, use a clean polyethylene squeeze bottle or caulking container. This method is particularly suitable for grouting applications.

To obtain a smooth finish cover the uncured epoxy with a sheet of polyethylene or waxed paper. Remove the sheet when the epoxy is fully cured. The surface can also be smoothed by drawing a trowel moistened with water across the surface of the uncured material. Moisten the trowel with each stroke.

Cure. Most epoxy compounds will cure overnight (16 hours) at which time the material can be machined, drilled or painted. As previously described, the actual cure time of epoxy is determined by the size of the mass of epoxy and the temperature. Under conditions the epoxy will reach full cure in less than 16 hours. For example, epoxy will be fully cured in only 4 hours when heat cured at 60°C.

Sprayable Ceramic

Sprayable Ceramic is a ceramic reinforced composite that can be sprayed in a manner similar to high-solids paints. It is ideal for protecting pumps, pump pads, paper machines, stacks, steel frames and tanks. Sprayable Ceramic exhibits excellent chemical resistance and is available in a blue colour. Sprayable Ceramic uses standard airless equipment and is capable of being sprayed on in a thickness of between 400 and up to 900um in one pass.

WEAR GUARD FINE LOAD

A high performance wear-resistant epoxy compound containing micro-high alumina ceramic beads for wear and abrasion protection of equipment conveying fine particles. It is designed for use in equipment that handle particulates less than 3mm in diameter, withstands operating temperatures up to 150°C and it exhibits an outstanding resistance to a wide range of chemicals. Wear Guard Fine Load can be towelled to form a smooth surface and can be applied to vertical or overhead surfaces.

COMBO WEAR FC (FAST CURE)

Combo Wear FC is a high performance wearing compound that combines the abrasion resistance of high alumina ceramic beads with silicon carbide. This NON sag putty has excellent adhesion to metal, ceramic and concrete and will bond to a dump surface. Use to protect pipe elbows, housings, exhaust fan, repairs to coal fuel lines, bins and hoppers. Back in service in 1-1.5 hours at 24°C.

Still have a question about working with epoxy? If we haven’t answered all your questions, please call your local Devcon office (see back cover). The full technical resources of Devcon are available to help you solve your problem.

HINTS FOR WORKING WITH EPOXY

“Hints for Working with Epoxy” is designed to familiarize the user with the basic principles of mixing and applying filled epoxy compounds as well as answer some specific questions that may arise in working with epoxy materials.

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High Temperatures. When the temperature is above 24°C epoxy will cure more quickly. Epoxy should be mixed in small masses to prevent the material from curing too rapidly.

Low Temperatures. Most epoxies will not cure properly at temperatures below 15°C unless the epoxy and, if possible, the part to be repaired are heated to room temperature. To promote curing of epoxy at low temperatures, see below.

To speed up cure of epoxy, the material should be mixed, applied to the repair area and warmed with a heat lamp or other heat source. Heat lamp should be placed about 0.5m from the epoxy. Never expose epoxy to a direct flame.

To increase adhesion make sure the application surface is free from oil, dirt and moisture. Clean the surface with Cleaner Blend 300, or similar solvent and wipe thoroughly. For maximum adhesion, particularly to a rusted or painted surface, we recommend sandblasting or chemically etching the surface.

To prevent sticking of epoxy to a surface, coat the surface with ROCILO Dry Film Teflon® Spray or other coating material such as Teflon® silicone or wax.

Mixing. Add hardener to resin and mix thoroughly. The compound should be used as a smooth, lump-free consistency after mixing for about four minutes. To ensure thorough mixing of putty-type epoxies, particularly when mixing larger quantities, resin and hardener can be turned out onto a disposable surface and mixed with a stiff spatula.

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**FLEXANE RUBBER REPAIR AND URETHANE CASTING COMPOUNDS**

**DEVCON Flexane Urethane Compounds** are the toughest, most durable group of room temperature curing urethanes available to industry. These two component systems are available in putty and liquid form with a choice of engineered performance characteristics for protecting equipment against abrasion, impact and noise control and for casting custom rubber parts and low cost moulds. Flexane Liquid urethanes are widely used to make cost effective, non damaging holding fixtures, ultrasonic welding nests, punch dies and in combination with putties repairs with a smooth, waterproof sealing coat.

(For further technical information refer to Technical Data section.)

**FLEXANE 80 PUTTY**
A trowelable urethane that cures to a Shore A-87 hardness. Particularly easy to use, it requires no special tools or heat. Flexane 80 Putty is 100% solids, tear resistant, exhibits no cold flow and it retains its shape under pressure like rubber. Use to repair process equipment exposed to impact abrasion, vibration, expansion and contraction. Bonds to metal, concrete, rubber, wood and fiberglass surfaces. Flexane putties are recommended for maximum adhesion to metal, wood and concrete surfaces.

**CONVEYOR BELT REPAIRS**
Flexane 80 Putty can be used for making fast permanent emergency maintenance repairs to damaged conveyor belts and rubber rollers. Use in conjunction with Flexane - FL in Metal Primer and Flexane FL20 Rubber Primer.

**FLEXANE 80 LIQUID**
Liquid version of Flexane 80 Putty. Castable, non shrinking, urethane compound for making rugged, flexible moulds, forming dies, cast parts, non scratching holding fixtures and abrasion-resistant linings. Flexane 80 Liquid makes precision moulds that faithfully reproduce detail, will not change shape while curing, returns to original shape after 350% elongation and has a 10 hour demoulding time. Flexane putties are recommended for maximum adhesion to metal, wood and concrete surfaces.

**UNDERWATER SURFACES**

To properly prepare an underwater surface:
1) Remove all dirt, barnacles, flaking paint, or algae/seaweed from the surface.
2) Wipe the surface with a clean cloth to remove any film. Although you cannot degrease underwater, wiping and turning a clean cloth will often remove any film from the surface.
3) Abrade the surface if possible. (Use a file or other mechanical means.)
4) Remove oxidation by chemical means such as high-pressure water or girl-blasting, or by chemical means such as acid etching.

**METAL**
To properly prepare a metal surface:
1) If the surface is oily or greasy, degrease it with Devcon Cleaner Blend 300.
2) Abrasive-blast the surface with 25-40 grit (or coarser) to produce a good surface profile. If you cannot abrasive-blast the surface, use a 60 grit or coarser sandpaper to achieve a similar result.
3) Immediately coat the metal surface with Devcon FL-1 Primer to prevent it from rusting.
4) Make repairs as soon as possible after abrasively blasting the substrate to avoid oxidation or flash rusting.

**ALUMINIUM SURFACES**
Oxidation on aluminium surfaces reduces epoxy adhesion. This oxidation film must be removed before repairing with Devcon Metal Repair Epoxies.

To properly prepare an aluminium surface:
1) Remove oxidation by mechanical means such as grit-blasting or by chemical means such as acid etching.
2) Follow the General Surface Preparation guidelines.

**CONCRETE**
To properly prepare a concrete surface:
1) Gradually the surface. (If you are using Devcon Wet Surface Repair Putty (UW), refer to Underwater Surfaces section.)
2) Review the General Surface Preparation guidelines.
3) If you cannot shot blast the concrete, use an acid etch to open up the pores of the concrete for improved adhesion. (This step must be performed after the floor has been degreased and does not replace degreasing.) Be sure to rinse the floor thoroughly several times to neutralize the acid in the acid etch before applying primer or topcoat.

**WET SURFACES**
In general, Devcon repair products and protective coatings will not adhere to wet surfaces.

To properly repair a wet surface:
1) Review the General Surface Preparation guidelines.
2) Thoroughly dry the surface. (If you are using Devcon Wet Surface Repair Putty (UW), refer to Underwater Surfaces section.)
3) Stop all leaks or seepage as follows:
   - Shut off the flow or pressure;
   - Fill a wooden peg or a sheet metal screw into the hole;
   - Stuff wax, cork, plumber’s caulk or cloth into the opening. If the leak is caused by corrosion, the sidewalk might be weak. Open the orifice until sound metal is exposed and the wall is thick enough to be plugged.
4) Remove surface condensation (sweating) or dampness with a heat oun or similar device.

**FLEXANE 94 LIQUID**
A castable, non shrinking, low viscosity urethane compound that cures to a Shore A-97 hardness. Flexane 80 is used to make a mould pattern.

**FLEXANE BRUSHABLE**
High performance, brushable urethane coating that cures to a medium hard rubber, Shore A 86 hardness, for protection against wear due to abrasion and impact. Having outstanding tensile strength and very good chemical resistance, this product is excellent for lining and protecting hoppers, chutes, pump impellers, feeder bowls and fans. Flexane putties are recommended for maximum adhesion to metal, wood and concrete surfaces.

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The successful application of Devcon repair products and protective coatings depends on proper surface preparation. Dust, dirt, oil, grease, rust and dampness can all adversely affect the adhesion of epoxies causing the entire repair to chip, crack, or break away under stress. A clean, dry, slightly roughened surface will ensure maximum adhesion of Devcon products.

GENERAL SURFACE PREPARATION GUIDELINES

In general, the following steps will help you properly prepare a surface prior to applying Devcon products:

1) Make sure the surface is completely dry. Moisture will adversely affect the strength of the bond to the surface.
2) Remove all surface contamination (paint, rust, and grime) by abrasive blasting, sanding, or other mechanical means.
3) Degrease with Devcon Cleaner Blend 300.
4) Ablate the surface to roughen it and create a surface profile. 5) Use the appropriate Devcon primer.

For more detailed surface preparation information, refer to the appropriate substrate category below.

RUBBER

To properly prepare a rubber surface:
1) Ablate the surface using a rubber rasp or a grinder with a wire wheel to produce a good surface profile. (Oils and contaminants imbedded in the rubber surface are typically released in this process.)
2) Remove all oil and grease from the rubber surface with Devcon Cleaner Blend 300 and an abrasive pad.
3) Wipe the surface with a clean, lint-free cloth continuously until black residue is no longer picked up by the white cloth.
4) Prime the surface as follows:
   Rubber to metal: Coat all metal surfaces (including stainless steel and aluminum) with two coats of Devcon FL-10 Primer. The primer will significantly improve adhesion of Devcon products to metal.
   Rubber to rubber: Coat all gum rubbers, neoprene, or cured urethanes with a thin coat of FL-20 Primer. Let dry for 60 minutes. Next, coat with the FL-20 Primer. Let dry for 30 minutes before applying the Devcon product.
   Rubber to rubber/abrasive blasting, sanding or other mechanical means. Coat all gum rubbers, neoprene, or cured urethanes with a thin coat of Devcon FL-20 Primer. Rubber to concrete: Coat all concrete surfaces with Devcon FL-20 Primer. Multiple coats may be necessary because concrete is very porous. Let the primer dry for 30 minutes between coats. Rubber to wood or fiberglass: Coat these surfaces with Devcon FL-20 Primer. Soft woods will require a second coat due to their absorption characteristics.

If you are bonding rubber to other surfaces, contact us for a recommendation on primers and surface preparation procedures.

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FLEXANE PRIMERS are required for bonding of all Flexanes: Flexane 80 Putty, Flexane 80 Liquid, Flexane 94 Liquid and Flexane Brushable.

FLEXANE METAL PRIMER - FL10

Provides excellent adhesion (4.5kg/cm) to all dry metals for all grades of Flexane. Use in conjunction with FL20 Primer on metal surfaces exposed to water immersion or requiring adhesion in excess of 9kg/cm.

FLEXANE RUBBER PRIMER - FL20

Provides excellent adhesion to rubber, wood, fibreglass, concrete and cured Flexane.

PRIMER SELECTION

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Remove all contamination from metal surfaces by abrasive blasting, sanding or other mechanical means.

FLEX ADD

A urethane flexibilizer used to alter the flexibility of Flexane 80 Liquid to produce a urethane of any desired durometer below 80. Allows custom formulation of Flexane for specific application requirements. Allows one to match the existing hardness of “rubber for rubber” repairs. The lower durometer allows molds to be more flexible for easier demoulding.

FLEXANE ACCELERATOR

Ideal for applications where fast curing is essential. Flexane Accelerator speeds up the cure time of all Flexanes at temperatures as low as 0°C. Half a teaspoon (2ml) of Flexane Accelerator will reduce the cure time of 0.45kg of all Flexanes by 50%.

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DEVCON HIGH STRENGTH ADHESIVES are strong, dependable and easy to use. DEVCON Epoxy Adhesives belong in every maintenance tool box. Industrial strength products, yet simple enough for anyone. MAGNUM EPOXY REPAIR STICKS provide an easy solution to rebuild, repair and restore damaged parts in order to return equipment quickly back into service. (For further technical information refer to Technical Data section.)

5 MINUTE FAST DRYING EPOXY
A rapid curing, general purpose adhesive/capacitulant. Bonds rigid, durable substrates such as metals, glass, ceramics, concrete and wood in all combinations. Forms a clear, hard, rigid bond or coating (10MPa, 1500 psi) in minutes.

PLASTIC STEEL “STEEL FILLED” EPOXY
A high strength bond (17MPa, 2500 psi) resistant to most chemicals and water proof. Works best on metals, steel, aluminium, copper, iron, pewter and more. Excellent for filling under speedy sleeves or where heat transfer is critical.

PLASTIC WELDER
A toughened structural adhesive formulated for bonding dissimilar substrates. Highly resistant to hydrocarbon fuels (gasoline, jet fuel, motor oil, hydraulic oil). Bonds PVC, fibreglass, ABS, steel, acrylics, polycarbonate, polyesters (PET, PBT), wood and ceramics. The final adhesive bond is designed to be load bearing and resistant to weathering, humidity and a wide variation in temperature.

MAGNUM STEEL REPAIR INDUSTRIAL EPOXY STICK
Magnum Steel Repair is a steel reinforced epoxy adhesive for fast repair and bonds to iron, steel, aluminium, bronze, copper, brass, etc. Magnum Steel Repair fills voids and cracks in metal parts and can be used to repair pipes, valves, castings, tanks, engine blocks, fix stripped bolt holes, battery cases, metal tools, air ducts, appliances, motorcycles and many other auto and industrial applications.

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DEVCON METAL TREATMENT PRODUCTS are high performance fluids and coating compounds designed to protect, prepare, clean and lubricate metal surfaces in industrial environments. (For further technical information refer to Technical Data section.)

STOP SEIZE (COPPER, NICKEL)
Are heavy duty, high temperature water insoluble compounds that protect against locking and cold welding of metal parts. They are used to lubricate and to permit ease of assembly and dismantling without seizure or distortion of components subjected to high temperatures and heavy contact pressures. Stop Seize helps to retard corrosion, galvanic action between dissimilar metals and helps to prevent fretting corrosion. They remain homogeneous during storage and will not harden during service. Stop Seize is available in 2 forms (Copper, Nickel). Stop Seize Copper is used for the protection of carbon steel components found in all facets of engineering and operates in environments up to 1090°C. Stop Seize Nickel is recommended for use with stainless steel and other alloys where a copper based anti-seize compound is unsuitable. It operates in environments up to 1400°C.

DEVCON COLD GALVANIZING COMPOUND
Devcon Z is a long lasting zinc coating that protects iron and steel from rust and corrosion. With a 93°k pure zinc rich composition and a very good resistance to water, oil, petrol and other chemicals, Devcon Z seals out moisture and forms a galvanic cell with iron and steel. This action prevents rust from developing under the zinc coating. If the surface is scratched Devcon Z sacrifices itself to protect the base metal. Areas of application include the repair of galvanized equipment and metal structures damaged by welding or the environment such as metal buildings, fences, gutters and downpipes, metal roofs and metal window frames and doors.

CLEANER BLEND 300
A safe multipurpose, non-trichloroethane degreaser for use on heavy grease and oil deposits on metal, as well as an excellent general purpose degreaser. Use Cleaner Blend 300 prior to applying any Devcon epoxy or urethane compound. Parts need no rinsing and Cleaner Blend 300 leaves no residue on components. It evaporates quickly making it ideal for dip tanks.