

## SILFIX® LM

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### DESCRIPTION

Silfix® LM is a one part, neutral cure, sanitary, silicone sealant which offers good all round performance and durability in most construction joints.

### KEY FEATURES

Good adhesion to a wide variety of surfaces including PVCu, coated timber, brickwork, concrete, GRP, stainless / galvanised steel, aluminium and lead.

Good tooling and application characteristics.

Cures to form a durable weatherproof seal.

Suitable for sanitary applications.

### TECHNICAL APPROVALS

Conforms to EN15651-1: F-EXT-INT-CC, EN15651-2: G-CC, EN15651-3: S.

### USES

Sealing penetration joints, gutters, fascias, trims and flashings in domestic and metal clad buildings.

Perimeter pointing and sealing around timber, metal and PVCu windows and doors.

### LIMITATIONS

Do not use for aquaria construction

Not recommended for use with low surface energy materials such as: polyethylene, polypropylene and Teflon

Do not use in conjunction with bitumen or asphalt

Not suitable for use as a mirror adhesive

Do not use in contact with edge sealants of double glazed units – use Silfix® U9

The priming of surfaces such as concrete and gypsum is recommended for optimum adhesion

### PERFORMANCE

**Adhesion:** Good to PVC-U, timber, brickwork, metals and aluminium. For further details contact our Technical Department.

**Base technology:** Silicone polymer

**Chemical resistance:** Good to dilute acids and alkalis

**Curing system:** Neutral cure - Oxime

**Hardness (Shore A 25°C):** 20

**Mould resistance:** Excellent

**Movement accommodation:** ± 20%

**Paintability:** Not recommended

**Service temperature range:** -40°C to +120°C

**Slump:** Nil

**Specific gravity:** 1.0g/cm<sup>3</sup>

**Staining:** Nil on most surfaces

**Tensile strength:** 1.25 N/mm<sup>2</sup>

**UV resistance:** Excellent

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### APPLICATION

#### PROPERTIES

**Application temperature range:** +5°C to +40°C

**Curing rate:** Cures at a rate of 2 –3 mm in 24 hours at 23°C @ 55% RH. Lower temperatures and drier conditions will result in a slower rate of cure.

**Shelf life:** 12 months.

**Skinning time:** Skin forms after approximately 10 minutes at 23°C @ 55% RH.

**Working time:** Approximately 10 minutes.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

**Joint design:** Please consult the *Technical Information Sheet* entitled 'Joint design for cartridge based products' prior to application.

**Surface preparation:** All surfaces must be clean, dry and free from frost, grease and loose materials. Apply primer if required. In situations where an especially neat finish is required, use masking tape to cover the face edges of the joint and remove immediately once tooling has been completed.

Cut the tip of the screw thread off the cartridge and screw on the nozzle. Cut nozzle to correct diameter for joint size. Apply using a skeleton or powered gun into the joint ensuring good contact with surfaces. In deep joints, the use of Hodgson Backing Rod is essential to ensure good joint formation.

**Tooling:** Tool immediately after sealant has been applied within the working time for the product.

### EQUIPMENT

A selection of hand & air operated guns is available for cartridge application including a high power type especially suitable for filling deep voids.

### PACKAGING

310ml cartridges - 25 per case

Colours: Translucent, White, Black, Brown, Grey

### ESTIMATING QUANTITIES

Number of cartridges = 
$$\frac{\text{Joint depth (mm)} \times \text{Joint width (mm)} \times \text{Length (M)}}{\text{Volume of cartridge (ml)}}$$

This calculation does not allow for wastage.

### HEALTH AND SAFETY

Non-flammable.

Wash hands immediately after use.

See Product Safety Data Sheet for further information.

### GENERAL

Silfix® LM is part of a full range of speciality sealants and tapes designed for the professional user. For further information please contact our Customer Care Team or visit our Website.

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