Sika® Unitherm® platinum

Solvent free, maximum build, two pack modified epoxy fire protection coating for steel, interior and exterior use

Product Description / Uses
Sika Unitherm platinum is an epoxy fire protection coating to be used on structural steel for interior and exterior conditions.
Sika Unitherm platinum is forming a heat insulation layer under the influence of fire and improves the fire resistance of steel parts like columns, girders and framework.
Sika Unitherm platinum is independently fire tested and approved to international test standards like EN 13381-8 and BS 476 part 20-22.

Areas of Application
For interior and exterior use on structural steelwork like columns, girders and framework with a highly effective protection to delay the steel temperature from reaching its critical temperatures for longer time. Particularly beneficial as a workshop material.

Characteristics / Advantages
- 100% total solids, wet-film thickness = dry-film thickness
- Layer thickness up to 4 mm per application
- Simple to apply, without the requirement of any reinforcement,
- Classified according to ETAG 018-2:2006 Type X, i.e. Exterior conditions, no topcoat needed
- Excellent corrosion protection properties according to ISO 12944-5
- Short coating and curing period.
- High mechanical impact-, shock and abrasion-resistance
- Preserves the appearance of a steel structure
- Applicable to filigree and complex steel building elements
- Almost no additional weight loading of the coating compared to other systems

Product Data

Form

Colour Shade
Light Grey

Packaging
Sika Unitherm platinum: 16,8 kg
Comp. A: 15,0 kg
net. Comp. B: 1,8 kg

Storage

Storage Conditions / Shelf-Life
12 months from date of production if stored in undamaged original sealed containers, in dry conditions and protected from direct sunlight
### Technical Data

#### Material consumption

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<th>Specific Gravity liquid (approx. kg/l)</th>
<th>Solids content (approx. %)</th>
<th>Theoretical material consumption/coverage (without loss) for medium dry-film thickness of (by vol.)</th>
<th>Theoretical material consumption/coverage (without loss) for medium dry-film thickness of (by weight)</th>
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<td>1.2 ± 0.1</td>
<td>100</td>
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#### Flash point

n/a

#### Mixing ratio parts by weight

100: 12

#### Components A:B

100: 12

#### Compressive strength (ISO 604)

approx. 45 MPa

#### Adhesion strength (EN ISO 4624):

- blast clean steel: approx. 10 N/mm²
- primed steel: depending on the used system

#### Tensile strength (ISO 527-2)

approx. 10 MPa

#### Abrasion resistance (ISO 5470-1)

approx. 65 mg/1000 R (load: 1000g; disc: CS 10)

### Application Details

#### Substrate Preparation

- **Steel:**
  - Blast cleaning to Sa 2 ½ according to EN ISO 12944, Part 4.
  - Steel/manual de-rusting:
    - Manual de-rusting (wirebrushing or power tool cleaning) to surface preparation grade St 3, DIN EN ISO 12944, Part 4. Subsequent high pressure or water jetting to remove the corrosion stimulators. The surface must be free of dirt, oil, grease and corrosion products. The service life of the coating can be significantly extended by sandblasting.
  - Galvanised steel:
    - The surface must be free of dirt, oil, grease and corrosion products. In case of permanent submersion and exposure to condensation surfaces should be sweep blasted.
  - Existing coating/old coating:
    - A compatibility test with the fire protection system is recommended. For testing and surface pre-treatment please consider the special technical information sheet “Primers and surface testing for Sika Unitherm steel fire protection systems”.
    - Any damage (e.g. corrosion) should be repaired prior the coating.
    - For contaminated and weathered surfaces e.g. galvanized or primed areas, we recommend cleaning.
### Coating systems

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<th>Surface Type</th>
<th>Primer</th>
<th>Topcoat</th>
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<td>Steel</td>
<td>a) Without priming coat</td>
<td>a) Interior</td>
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<td>b) Sika Permacor 2706 EG</td>
<td>b) Exterior where visual changes i.e. yellowing, chalking or fading of the original colour is not an issue</td>
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<td>Intumescent coating</td>
<td>Sika Unitherm platinum</td>
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If a decorative, weathering and colour resistance finish is required, we recommend the following topcoats:

- 2 component Polyurethane: Sikacor EG4, Sika Permacor 2330 or 2230VHS (various colour shades available)
- 2 component Epoxy: Sika Permacor 2707 (decontamination coating)

### Application Conditions

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<th>Object temperature</th>
<th>Relative humidity</th>
<th>Application temperature</th>
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<td>Steel</td>
<td>at least + 10°C</td>
<td>to max. + 40°C</td>
<td>max. 80 %</td>
<td>≥ 3°C above dew point.</td>
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During application and curing, the surface shall be protected from moisture (high humidity, rain, etc.). These conditions may affect intercoat adhesion with subsequent coats.

### Application Method / Tools

**Mix component A + B very thoroughly using an electric mixer (start slowly, then increase speed) until a homogeneous mixture is achieved. Fill mixed material into clean container and mix again shortly as described above. During mixing and handling of the materials always wear protective goggles, suitable gloves and other protective clothing.**

The method of application has a major effect on achieving uniform thickness and appearance. Spray application will give the best results. The indicated dry film thickness is easily achieved by airless spray. In case of application by roller or brush, additional layers may become necessary to achieve the required coating thickness, depending on type of construction, site conditions, colour shade etc. Prior to application, a trial on site may be useful to ensure the selected application method will provide the requested results.

**Sika Unitherm platinum shall be applied undiluted.**

**Brushing/Rolling:**

**Smaller areas**

**Airless spraying:**

Single Airless Spray Equipment with flow heater. Pressure ratio: ≥ 66 : 1

Flow rate: ≥ 24 l/Min.

Pressure rate: at least 200 bar in the spray gun

Nozzle size: 0.019 – 0.025 inch and/or 0.48 – 0.64 mm

Spraying angle: e.g. 20 – 40°

Material temperature: approx. + 35°C at the nozzle outlet

Remove mesh. Direct material feed (without suction hose).

At low temperatures we recommend insulating the spray hose. Hose length max. 25 m.

**Repairs:**

To clean up flaws or damage, grind overlapping areas to a matt finish and clean off all traces of dust. Then apply Sika Unitherm Platinum immediately with a spatula.

**Pot Life**

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**Drying times**

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<td>Touch dry</td>
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<td>Fully dry</td>
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<td>Overcoating intervals</td>
<td>Sika Unitherm Platinum coatings:</td>
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Sika Unitherm Platinum and SikaCor EG 4, Sika Permacor 2330, 2230 VHS or 2707:

|                      | Min.: 24 hours at +20°C        |
|                      | Max.: interior: 7 days at +20°C|
|                      | exterior: 2 days at +20°C      |

after applying final layer of Sika Unitherm Platinum.

In each case the preliminary coating must be dry and free from substances which might hinder the bonding process (pressure clean if necessary). If waiting period is longer, the coating should be reactivated.

Temporary storage or transport of coated components must be carried out in an appropriate manner. Straps or chains must not be placed in contact with the coated surface but only with appropriate supporting structures.

| Cleaning of Tools | Thoroughly clean with Sika Permacor thinner E+B immediately after completion or interruption of the application process. |

**Important Notice**

EU Regulation 2004/42 (Decopaint Directive):

|                      | The maximum allowed VOC content acc. To EU Regulation 2004/42 (product class IIA / I, type Sb) in the ready for use material is 500 g/l (limit 2010). |
|                      | The maximum VOC content of Sika Unitherm platinum is < 500 g/l VOC. |

**Notes regarding hazards**

Detailed health and safety information as well as relevant precautionary measures – e.g. physical, safety, toxicological and ecological data – may be found in our material safety data sheets.

Please consider all relevant and applicable regulations regarding hazardous substances.
Value Base

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

Health and Safety Information

For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the most recent Material Safety Data Sheet containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

Legal Notes

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