



THIXON™ 516-EF

Description THIXON™ 516-EF is a vulcanizing covercoat adhesive used with THIXON™ P-6-EF or THIXON™ P-11-EF adhesive primers for bonding NR, BR, IR, CSM, SBR, CR, IIR, HNBR, XNBR, NBR and EPDM compounds to metal during vulcanization. Formulated without reportable levels of lead (or other heavy metals), chlorinated solvents and ozone-depleting chemicals.

Benefits & Features Good long standing cover coat adhesive that has been used in very demanding application in automotive and industrial applications. Along with the appropriate THIXON™ OR MEGUM™ Primers, this system will provide robust performance on an economical basis.

Uncured Properties	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Color	Black		
Solids Content			
-- 1	11	%	
-- 2	15	%	ASTM D2369
Density	0.908	g/cm ³	ASTM D1475
Dry Film Density	1.4	g/cm ³	
VOC Content	6.46	lb/gal	
Flash Point ³	4.00	°C	
Viscosity			
25°C	22 to 40	sec	Zahn Cup 3
25°C ⁴	200 to 400	sec	ASTM D1084
Theoretical Coverage ⁵	7.80	m ² /l	
Recommended Film Thickness	20	µm	
Recommended Film Thickness Range	13 to 38	µm	
Shelf Life ⁶ (25°C)	18	month	

Elastomer

Vulcanizing cover coat adhesive used with THIXON™ or MEGUM™ adhesive primers for bonding natural rubber, SBR, EPDM, chloroprene, chlorosulfonated-polyethylene, butyl, and nitrile rubbers.

Substrate

CRS, SS, Cu, Brass, Zn and Mg Alloys with a THIXON™, MEGUM™ or ROBOND™ Primer.

Surface Prep

Review Dow 's rubber-to-substrate bonding agent application guide or contact your account manager.

Mix Instructions

Diluents: Toluene or xylene

Thoroughly mix THIXON™ 516-EF with a high speed propeller-type agitator before using. Slowly add the diluent to the adhesive while mixing constantly.

Continue to mix THIXON™ 516-EF while spraying or dipping to keep the dispersed solids from settling to the bottom. This will assure that a homogenous mixture of the adhesive is applied.

Application Technique

Brushing: use product undiluted. To obtain the required film thickness, brush on a heavy wet film without brushing excessively.

Dipping: dilute 3 parts product with 1 part diluent, to obtain a dry film thickness of 0.5 mil.

Spraying: dilute 2 parts product with 1 part diluent to obtain a viscosity of 23-26 seconds (#2 Zahn Cup).

Drying the Film

The drying time is approximately 30 minutes at 16°-27°C (60°-80°F). At lower temperatures, dry longer. The drying time can be shortened by force drying five minutes at 82°C (180°F). Do not dry at temperatures above 121°C (250°F).

Molding and Curing

Can be used with all common molding and curing methods. Cure temperatures between 100°C and 188°C (212 and 370°F) are recommended.

Pre-Bake Resistance

Coated inserts can be pre-baked for up to 10 minutes at 160°C (320°F) without adversely affecting bond quality.

Dry Film Stability

Excellent dry film stability. Inserts coated with product can be stored for several months if protected from contaminants.

Clean-up

Equipment clean up should be done using recommended dilution solvents.

Packaging/Sizes Available

Drums, pails and cans.

Storage & Stability

The shelf life of this material is assured for 6 months (from the date of manufacture) at temperatures below 78°F in an unopened container.

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Notes

These are typical properties only and are not to be construed as specifications. Users should confirm results by their own tests.

¹ By volume

² Non-volatile solids by weight

³ Seta Closed Cup

⁴ Brookfield RV#3 spindle @ 100 RPM

⁵ Applied at a dry film thickness of 0.6 mil

⁶ Unopened

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