

# **Technical Data Sheet**



## **Description**

**Tek-Backing Rod** is a polyethylene foam supplied in cord form for use as a backup material for joint sealants. It is a light and durable material with excellent shock absorbing and heat insulating properties. It has high resistance to weathering and chemicals and water repellant. It protects agaist inorganic chemicals and gasoline.

### **Advantages**

- Cost effective
- Easy to lay
- Excellent chemical resistance and absorption
- Unaffected by climatic fluctuations

#### **Uses**

**Tek-Backing Rod** is used as gasket and sealant material in;

- Window and sash frames
- Glass reinforcement
- Window frames and joints in automobiles, trains etc.
- Joints in storing reservoirs, swimming pools, dams, sewage systems
- Joints in runways, highways etc
- Heat insulation for building and industrial purpose.
- Packing and adhesive tapes

## Color

White and grey

#### **Shelf Life**

Shelf life in indefinite, when stored in cool and dry conditions

### **Application**

Normally fit by pushing the backing rod into a joint using a blunt tool to avoid damage to the cord. The diameter of the cord should be approximately 25% greater than the width of the joint so that the cord fits tightly in the joint, allowing a firm backing and ensuring a correct width-to- depth ratio for sealant.

#### **Technical Data**

POLYMER PROPERTIES	VALUE	UNIT	TEST METHOD
Melt Flow Index	3.3 - 3.8	g/10 min.	ASTM D-1238, ISO 1133
Density @ 23° C	0.922 - 0.924	g/cm³	ASTM D-1505, ISO R1183
Crystaline Melting Point	111	°C	ASTM D-2117, ISO 3146
Vicat Softening Point	93	°C	ASTM D-1525, ISO R306

FILM PROPERTIES	VALUE	UNIT	TEST METHOD
Tensile strength @ Yield			
MD	12	MPa	ASTM D-882, ISO 1184
TD	10		1104
Tensile strength @ Break			
MD	19	MPa	ASTM D-882, ISO R1184
TD	21		11104
Elongation at Break			
MD	450	%	ASTM D-882, ISO R1184
TD	550		
Impact strength	160	g	ASTM D-1709
Coefficient of friction	.09		ASTM D-1894, ISO R8295
Haze	8	%	ASTM D-1003
Gloss @ 60°C	100	gu	ASTM D-2457
Clarity	70	%	ASTM D-1746

## **Packing**

## Tek-Backing Rod is available in rolls as below

1000 meters	
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500 meters	
400 meters	
200 meters	
100 meters	
100 meters	
50 meters	

## **Technical Support**

Spraytek offers full technical support package to specifiers, contractors and end users, as well as technical assistance on site and after sales consultations.

## **Health & Safety**

There is no health hazard associated with **Tek-Backing Rod**.

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