# **Closed Cell Polyethylene Foam Back Rod**

# iFlex BR®



## Description

**iFlex BR**® Foam Backer Rod Closed Cell is manufactured from closed cell, low density, polyethylene foam. **iFlex BR**® Foam Backer Rod Closed Cell has excellent cpmression and recovery properties, is available and various sizes and lengths. The round profile assists in providing the correct joint sealant profile allowing optimum movement capability.

## **Key Features**

- Esay to use.
- Extremely flexible.
- Excellent recovery after compression.
- · Water resistant.
- · Closed cell.
- Compatible with cold applied sealants (polyurethane, silicone)
- Assists with sealant profile.
- · Asists with joint design.

#### **Uses**

**iFlex BR**<sup>®</sup> Foam Backer Rod is especially recommended for use in :

- Joint sealant support for concrete flooring.
- Expansion joints in concrete structures.
- · Water treatment plants.
- Potable water structures (Tanks, Canals, reservoirs etc.).



## **Technical Properties**

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|------------------------------|---|
| Color                        | White                                       |
| Density                      | $0.025 \sim 0.040 \text{ gm} / \text{cm}^3$ |
| Average Cell Size            | 0.26 ~ 0.33                                 |
| Tensile Strength             | $2.2 - 3.4 \text{ kg} / \text{cm}^2$        |
| Elongation                   | 130 ~ 140 %                                 |
| Permanent<br>Compression set | 5.0 %                                       |
| Dielectric Constant          | 1.05 ~ 1.58 E (kHz)                         |
| Sound properties             | Good  |
| Toxic character              | Non toxic.                                  |
| Chemicals<br>Resistance      | Excellent                                   |
| Thermal Conductivity         | 0.027 ~ 0.040 hr °C                         |
| Water Absorption             | 0.03 below mg / cm <sup>2</sup>             |
| Combustion Rate              | 6.40 ~ 10.0 cm / min                        |
| Heat Distortion temperature  | 70 ~ 80°C                                   |
| Repeated Compression set:    | 2.2 – 2.40 %                                |

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## **Application Instructions**

- When forming expansion joints with **iFlex BR**® Foam Backer Rod on site, simply insert the back rod into joint
- the joint width must be less 5mm than Back Rod diameter
- Make sure that the sealant depth is adjusted in all joint length.
- As elastomeric sealant will not bond to iFlex BR® Foam Backer Rod the additional need for bondbreaker strips is not necessary.

### **Packaging**

iFlex BR® Foam Backer Rod is supplied as follows:

| Size | Packing   |
|------|-----------|
| 10mm | 100m Roll |
| 15mm | 100m Roll |
| 20mm | 100m Roll |
| 25mm | 100m Roll |
| 30mm | 100m Roll |
| 40mm | 2m Rod    |
| 50mm | 2m Rod    |

### **Shelf Life**

Shelf life is up to 60 months when stored as per recommendations.

#### Store

Store components in original containers in a clean, dry location. Ensure temperature or moisture sensitive components are stored in a tempered location. The recommended storage temperature is from -5 °C to \*30 °C.

Contractor to provide temporary protective covers on all installed finished surfaces. Protection is required to guard against both surface abrasions as well as overloading of horizontal deck components by construction traffic.

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