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## **Bulletin No. 130**

# **PERMASEAL Permanent Nitrile Rubber Joint Filler**

PERMASEAL is a fantastic product in many ways. It is a nitrile rubber one-component joint filler and sealer. PERMASEAL is similar in curing time, working properties, and permanent flexibility to the silicone rubber bathtub sealants. It comes in cartridges which fit a skeleton type caulking gun. It is also available in quart and one gallon cans. It converts to nitrile rubber in 18 to 24 hours. It is applied to clean pool and deck joints without a primer.

**DIRECTIONS FOR USE AND INSTALLATION OF PERMASEAL**  
This product is the easiest of all permanent rubber joint fillers to install, as it may be installed by a novice. Use a skeleton type caulking gun with PERMASEAL caulking cartridges. Always store caulking cartridges in a cool place. Due to the unlimited pot life of PERMASEAL you are never forced to hurry the job. With two-component joint fillers, you are always confronted with a short pot life. These materials will set up very quickly.

PERMASEAL has excellent adhesion to aluminum, vinyl, glass, wood, concrete and most clean materials. Temperature range is 30°F to 175°F. In addition to swimming pool expansion joints, PERMASEAL can be used as a bedding compound, flashing seal, window seal and bathtub caulk.

Old joint filler should be removed prior to installing PERMASEAL. The old material can be removed with any metal tool that can dig out the old filler. On larger jobs, an air driven chisel will remove it quickly. All old joint filler and other residue must be cleaned from the sidewalls of the joints. This can be done with a long handled narrow wire brush or with a power driven circular wire brush. Also, lacquer thinner can be used to remove remaining joint filler. Pour it into the joints or soak a rag. Use solvent soaked steel wool for stubborn spots. **CAUTION!** Always wear rubber gloves when using lacquer thinner.

After the surface of the sidewalls of the joints are wire brushed clean, they should be scrubbed out with a tri-sodium solution and flushed out with clean water. After drying out, No. 934 FOAMLITE foam rubber-base filler should be installed. **NOTE!** If PERMASEAL is not properly installed or if the joints are not prepared according to our recommendations, the results will not be satisfactory.

**ALL OLYMPIC PRODUCTS ARE VOC COMPLIANT**

Our No. 934 FOAMLITE, round foam rubber-base for joint filler, is a soft extruded polyethylene foam which is highly flexible and compressible. It is compatible with all cold applied sealants.

### **INSTALLATION PROCEDURE**

FOAMLITE should be compressed into the joint to approximately 75% of its original diameter. Use a blunt rounded tool or a plain faced narrow roller for compressing into the joint. Avoid puncturing the surface skin of the FOAMLITE. Avoid excessive stretching of the rod during installation.

A good rule of the thumb is to install the rod so as to leave a square opening for the sealant. A 3/4" width joint should leave a 3/4" space (horizontal) for sealant installation. Do not use FOAMLITE if hot sealants are to be used in the joints. After the FOAMLITE is installed, the joints are ready for the PERMASEAL. These cartridges hold 1/10 gallon. By using a skeleton type caulking gun, the PERMASEAL is "gunned" into the joint. The PERMASEAL should fill the joint so as to produce a bead above the joint (see illustration) to take care of the shrinkage due to evaporation of solvents.

### **PHYSICAL DATA**

**SOLVENT:** No.1108

**FLASH POINT:** 25°F

**CLEANING APPLICATION EQUIPMENT:**  
No. 1108 SOLVENT

**FOR THINNING PERMASEAL:** No. 1108 SOLVENT

**COLOR:** Off-White

**SOLIDS:** 51%

**WEIGHT PER GALLON:** 9.01 lbs. @ 70°F

**VISCOSITY:** Heavy mastic

**FOUR WEEKS IMMERSION TESTS:** after 2 weeks cure

Tap water: Not affected

Distilled water: Not affected

35% Sulfuric or straight muriatic acid: Not affected

10% Sale solution: No effect

16% Sodium hydrochlorite: No change

5% Tri-sodium: Slight surface tackiness

10% Nitric acid : Some blistering

Gasoline, oil, grease, soap, detergents: No effect

PERMASEAL has excellent dielectric qualities.

**POT LIFE:** Indefinitely (in tube)

**SHELF LIFE:** 6 months or longer (store in cool place)

**COATING TIME:** Overnight in dry warm weather

**LINEAL FEET PER CARTRIDGE:** 2ft. 3/4" x 3/4"

**FOAMLITE STANDARD SIZES:** 3/8", 1/2", 5/8", 3/4" and 1"

If you are doubtful about the correct size (it should be compressed) ask for sample which we will mail at no cost.

**FOAMLITE PHYSICAL DATA**

When Joint FOAMLITE

Size is: Size is:

1/4" 3/8"

3/8" 1/2"

1/2" 5/8"

5/8" 3/4"

3/4" 1"

**COMPOSITION:** Expanded cellulac polyethylene

**COLOR:** Gray

**ODOR:** None

**COMPRESSION DEFLECTION:** 7 psi @ 25%

**TENSILE STRENGTH:** 20 - 30 psi

**CHEMICAL RESISTANCE:** Excellent

**TEMPERATURE RESISTANCE:** -40°F to +160°F

**PACKAGE STABILITY:** Permanent when stored in dry area

**PACKED:** May be secured in any length

3/8" 4,200 ft. to the carton

1/2" 2,500 ft. to the carton

5/8" 6,300 ft. to the carton

3/4" 1,250 ft. to the carton

1" 650 ft. to the carton

**CAUTION!** Do not take internally. Close container after each use. Keep away from heat and open flame. Avoid prolonged contact with skin and breathing of vapor. Areas of body or clothing on contact with uncured resin and/or catalyst should be thoroughly cleaned with solvent and washed with soap and water immediately. Use only where there is adequate ventilation. KEEP OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN.

**WARNING!**

If you scrape or remove old paint, you may release lead dust.

**LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE.** Wear a NIOSH approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at **1-800-424-LEAD** or log on to **[www.epa.gov/lead](http://www.epa.gov/lead)**

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