

**Specialised & Safety Products** 

## Weicon Plastic Metal B4LM



Weicon Plastic Metal B4LM is a liquid, 2 part epoxy resin system with a high content of fine mineral fillers. This coating system has been approved by the Hygiene Institute of the Ruhr Area to be used in contact with aqueous and fatty foodstuffs in temperatures up to 70°C. It is used both as an adhesive and to protect surfaces against wear and corrosion. It is easy to apply and adheres well to a wide variety of surfaces, even under mechanical loads. B4LM has very good chemical resistance and is suitable for coating a wide variety of parts and machinery such as valves, pumps, chutes, hoppers, tanks and pipes.

### **Technical Data:**

Property:	Typical Value:
Base	Ероху
Filler	Mineral
Texture	Flowable
Colour after curing	White

#### **Processing:**

Processing temperature	+15°C to 40°C
Component temperature	>3°C above dew point
Relative air humidity	< 85%
Mixing ratio by volume	100:34
Mixing ratio by weight	100:18
Viscosity of the mixture at 25°C	~38,000 mPa•s
Density of the mixture	1.7 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Consumption at layer thickness of 1mm	1.7 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Maximum layer thickness per work step	10mm

#### Curing:

Pot life at 20°C, 500g batch	30 minutes
Repeated application possible after	5 hours (35% strength)
Capable of bearing mechanical loads	8 hours (80% strength)
Final strength after	24 hours (100% strength)
Shrinkage	0.28%

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## **Properties After Curing:**

Property:		Value:	Test Method:		
Measured after curing at 24h at room temp + 24 h at 60°C:					
Tensile Strength		46 MPa	DIN EN ISO 527-2		
Elongation at Break (tensile)		0.9%	DIN EN ISO 527-2		
E-Modulus (tensile)	Ę	5300-7000 MPa	DIN EN ISO 527-2		
Compressive Strength		95 MPa	DIN EN ISO 604		
Bending Strength		71 MPa	DIN EN ISO 178		
Hardness		86 ± 3 Shore D	DIN ISO 7619		
Adhesive Strength		19.4 MPa	DIN EN ISO 4624		
Taber Test, H18, 1kg, 1000 rotations		1.3g/0.8cm <sup>3</sup>	DIN ISO 9352		
Lap shear strength, 1.5mm thick materia	al:				
Steel 1.0338, sandblasted		19 MPa	DIN EN 1465		
Stainless Steel V2A, sandblasted		23 MPa	DIN EN 1465		
Aluminium, sandblasted		9 MPa	DIN EN 1465		
Galvanised Steel		7 MPa	DIN EN 1465		
Thermal and Electrical Parameters:					
Temperature Resistance		-35°C to 120°C			
Tg after curing at room temperature		52°C	DSC		
T <sub>g</sub> after tempering at 120°C		69ºC	DSC		
Heat deflection resistance		65°C	DIN EN ISO 75-2		
Thermal Conductivity		0.632 W/m•K	DIN EN ISO 22007-4		
Heat Capacity		1.185 J/(g•K)	DIN EN ISO 22007-4		
Resistance	2	.94 · 10^14 Ω·m	DIN EN 62631-3-1		
Magnetic		No			
Drinking Water Approval			BS 6920		

#### **Surface Preparation:**

Surface preparation is crucial for the application of Plastic Metal B4LM. Before processing, the surfaces must be free of any oil, grease, dirt, rust, oxides, paint and other impurities or residues. For cleaning and degreasing, we recommend Weicon Cleaner Spray S. Smooth and heavily soiled surfaces should additionally be treated by mechanical surface pre-treatment, e.g. by grinding or preferably by blasting. Metal parts that have come into contact with sea water or other salt solutions should first be rinsed thoroughly with demineralised water and, if possible, left to rest overnight so that all salts can be dissolved from the metal. After each mechanical pre-treatment, the surface should be cleaned again with Weicon Cleaner Spray S and protected from further contamination until the coating is applied.

Areas where no adhesion to the material is desired must be treated with silicone-free mould release agents. For smooth surfaces, we recommend Weicon Mould Release Agent Liquid F 1000 or, Weicon Mould Release Agent Wax P 500 for porous surfaces. After the surface pre-treatment, the mixture should be applied as quickly as possible (within one hour) to avoid oxidation, flash rust or new contamination.

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### **Processing and Curing Time:**

Pot life of 30 minutes based on a material batch of 500g at 20°C. Mixing larger quantities or increased processing temperatures will reduce the pot life and lead to faster curing. Only prepare a batch large enough that can be applied within the pot life.

Final cure will be achieved after 48 hours at 20°C. In low temperature environments, the cure time can be accelerated by evenly applying heat up to a maximum of 40°C (via a heat lamp, electric blanket, or hot air fan). The following rule of thumb applies: Each increase of 10°C above room temperature (20°C) will decrease the curing time by half. Temperatures between 16°C and 5°C will increase the curing time. At temperatures below 16°C the pot life will slow. Below about 5°C there is no reaction between the resin and the hardener.



## Availability:

Weicon Plastic Metal B4LM is available in 200gm, 500gm and 2kg kits. Other grades are also available. Associated Gaskets stock a large range of Weicon Epoxy Resin Systems as well as gasket materials, thermal insulation, and specialised electrical products. For more information on these products and many more, please visit our website or contact your nearest AG branch.

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## **Chemical Resistance After Curing:**

Acetic Acid Dilute <5%	+	Hydrocarbons (Aromatic)	-	
Acetone	0	Hydrochloric Acid <10%		
Alkalis (Basic Minerals)	+	Hydrochloric Acid 10-20%		
Amyl Acetate	+	Hydrofluoric Acid Dilute		
Amyl Alcohols	+	Hydrogen Peroxide <30%	+	
Anhydrous Ammonia 25%	+	Impregnating Oils	+	
Barium Hydroxide	+	Magnesium Hydroxide	+	
Butyl Acetate	+	Maleic Acid	+	
Butyl Alcohol	+	Methanol <85% (Methyl Alcohol)	0	
Calcium Hydroxide (slaked lime)	+	Milk of Lime	+	
Carbolic Acid (Phenol)	-	Naphthalene	-	
Carbon Disulphide	+	Naphthene	-	
Carbon Tetrachloride	+	Nitric Acid <5%	0	
Caustic Potash Solution	+	Oils, Mineral, Vegetable and Animal	+	
Chlorinated Water	+	Oxalic Acid <25%	+	
Chloroacetic Acid	-	Paraffin	+	
Chloroform	0	Perchloroethylene	0	
Chlorosulphonic Acid	-	Petrol (92-100 Octane)	+	
Chromic Acid	+	Phosphoric Acid <5%	+	
Chroming Baths	+	Phthalic Acid	+	
Creosote Oil	-	Phthalic Acid Anhydride	+	
Cresylic Acid	-	Potassium Hydroxide 0-20%	+	
Crude Oil	+	(Caustic Potash)		
Crude Oil Products	+	Soda Lye	+	
Diesel Fuel Oil	+	Sodium Bicarbonate	+	
Ethanol < 85% (Ethyl Alcohol)	0	(Sodium Hydrogen Carbonate)		
Ethyl Alcohol	0	Sodium Carbonate (Soda)	+	
Ethyl Benzole	-	Sodium Chloride (Cooking Salt)	+	
Ethyl Ether	+	Sodium Hydroxide <20%	0	
Exhaust Gases	+	(Caustic Soda)		
Formic Acid >10%	-	Sulphur Dioxide		
Glycerine	+	Sulphuric Acid <5%	0	
Glycol	0	Tannic Acid Dilute <7%	+	
Grease, Oils and Waxes	+	Tetralin	0	
Heating Oil, Diesel	+	Toluene	-	
Humic Acid	+	Trichloroethylene	0	
Hydrobromic Acid <10%	+	Turpentine Substitute (White Spirit)	+	
Hydrocarbons (Aliphatic)	+	Xylene	-	
+ = Resistant O = Limited Resistance - = Not Resistant			stant	

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