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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

LOCTITE® Product 542 is a single component thixotropic, anaerobic pipe sealant material. This product cures when confined in the absence of air between close fitting metal surfaces. This grade develops medium strength to facilitate disassembly.

TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

Used to lock and seal hydraulic and pneumatic fittings. Recommended for sealing threaded metal fittings which should be fully torqued up.

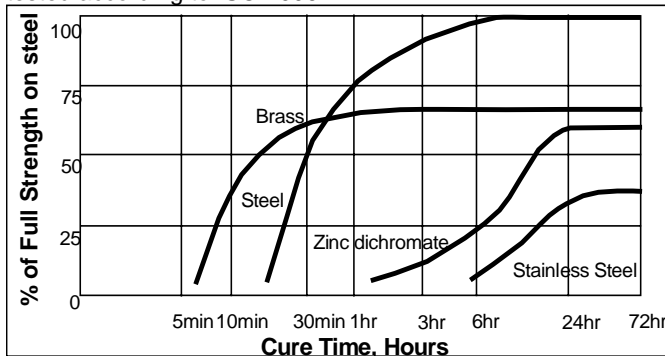
PROPERTIES OF UNCURED MATERIAL

	Value	Typical Range
Chemical Type	Dimethacrylate ester	
Appearance	Brown Liquid	
Specific Gravity @ 25°C	1.06	
Viscosity @ 25°C, mPa.s (cP)		
Brookfield RVT		
Spindle 5 @ 2.5 rpm	1,850	925 to 2,775
@ 20 rpm	525	350 to 700
DIN 54453, MV		
D = 277 s ⁻¹ after t=180secs	150	100 to 200
Flash Point (COC), °C	>100	

TYPICAL CURING PERFORMANCE

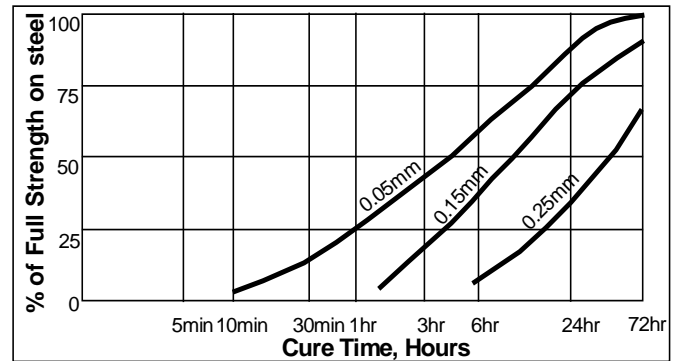
Cure speed vs. substrate

The rate of cure will depend on substrate used. The graph below shows the breakaway strength developed with time on M10 steel nuts and bolts compared to different materials and tested according to ISO 10964.



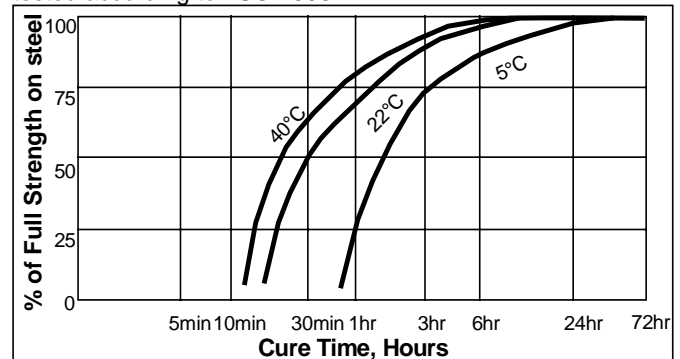
Cure speed vs. bond gap

The rate of cure will depend on the bondline gap. Gaps in threaded fasteners depend on thread type, quality and size. The following graph shows shear strength developed with time on steel pins and collars at different controlled gaps and tested according to ISO 10123.



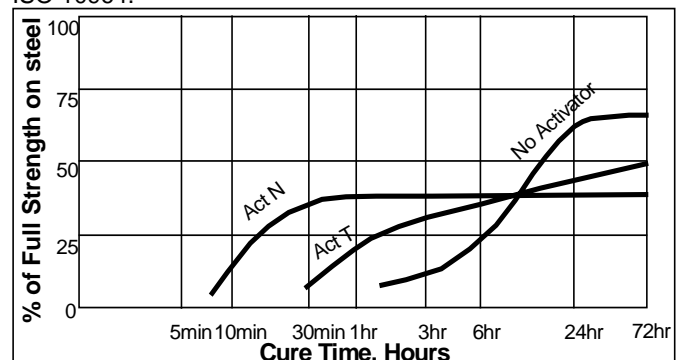
Cure speed vs. temperature

The rate of cure will depend on the ambient temperature. The following graph shows the breakaway strength developed with time at different temperatures on M10 steel nuts and bolts and tested according to ISO 10964.



Cure speed vs. activator

Where cure speed is unacceptably long, or large gaps are present, applying activator to the surface will improve cure speed. The following graph shows breakaway strength developed with time using ACTIVATOR N and T on M10 Zinc Dichromate steel nuts & bolts and tested according to ISO 10964.



TYPICAL PROPERTIES OF CURED MATERIAL

Physical Properties

Coefficient of thermal expansion, ASTM D696, K ⁻¹	80 x 10 ⁻⁶
Coefficient of thermal conductivity, ASTM C177, W.m ⁻¹ K ⁻¹	0.1
Specific Heat, kJ.kg ⁻¹ K ⁻¹	0.3

PERFORMANCE OF CURED MATERIAL

(After 24 hours at 22°C on steel)

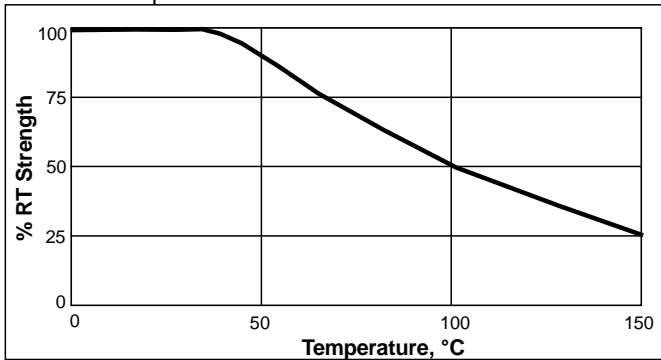
	Typical	
	Value	Range
Breakaway Torque, ISO 10964 (4.3) N.m	15	8 to 20
(lb.in)	(130)	(70 to 180)
Prevail Torque, ISO 10964 (4.5), N.m	9	6 to 13
(lb.in)	(80)	(50 to 115)
Breakloose Torque, DIN 54454, N.m	25	15 to 35
(lb.in)	(220)	(130 to 310)
Maximum Prevail Torque, DIN 54454, N.m	25	15 to 35
(lb.in)	(220)	(130 to 310)

TYPICAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESISTANCE

Test Procedure : Breakloose Torque DIN 54454
 Substrate: M10 Zinc Phosphate Nuts and Bolts
 Cure procedure: 1 week at 22°C

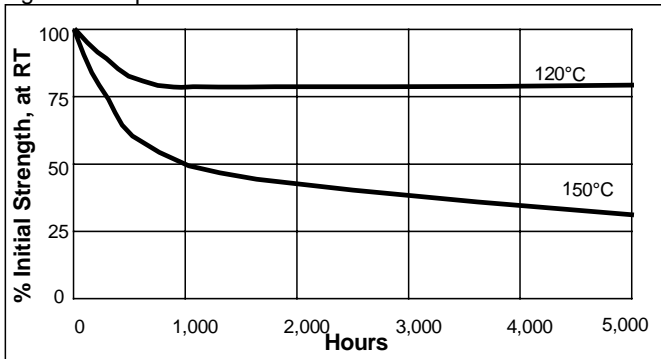
Hot Strength

Tested at temperature.



Heat Ageing

Aged at temperature indicated and tested at 22°C.



Chemical / Solvent Resistance

Aged under conditions indicated and tested at 22°C.

Solvent	Temp.	% Initial Strength retained at		
		100 hr	500 hr	1000 hr
Motor Oil	125°C	100	100	100
Leaded petrol	22°C	100	100	95
Brake fluid	22°C	100	100	95
Water/glycol	87°C	90	90	90
Ethanol	22°C	100	100	95
Acetone	22°C	100	80	80

GENERAL INFORMATION

This product is not recommended for use in pure oxygen and/or oxygen rich systems and should not be selected as a sealant for chlorine or other strong oxidising materials.

For safe handling information on this product, consult the Material Safety Data Sheet, (MSDS).

Where aqueous washing systems are used to clean the surfaces before bonding, it is important to check for compatibility of the washing solution with the adhesive. In some cases these aqueous washes can affect the cure and performance of the adhesive.

This product is not normally recommended for use on plastics (particularly thermoplastic materials where stress cracking of the plastic could result). Users are recommended to confirm compatibility of the product with such substrates.

Directions for use

For best performance surfaces should be clean and free of grease. Product should be applied to the bolt in sufficient quantity to fill all engaged threads. This product performs best in thin bond gaps, (0.05mm). Very large thread sizes may create large gaps which will affect cure speed and strength. This product is designed to give controlled friction, (torque/tension ratio), during assembly. In critical tightening applications this ratio should be confirmed.

Storage

Product shall be ideally stored in a cool, dry location in unopened containers at a temperature between 8°C to 28°C (46°F to 82°F) unless otherwise labelled. Optimal storage is at the lower half of this temperature range. To prevent contamination of unused product, do not return any material to its original container. For further specific shelf life information, contact your local Technical Service Centre.

Data Ranges

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