

## HBR BACKER ROD

## Polyethylene Foam for Backing Cold Applied Sealant

#### **Product Description**

HBR backer rod is a backing for elastomeric and other cold-applied sealants. HBR is round, flexible, continuous lengths of extruded, closed –cell polyethylene foam. Gray in colour, HBR is available in a variety of diameters . (See Table1)

#### **Typical Applications**

It is used in expansion or contraction joints:

- Control the depth of applied sealant.
- Act as a barrier interface to prevent three sided adhesion (bond breaker).
- Provide a form to assist the sealant in developing the hour glass shape.
- It is used in glazing and expansion joints applications for windows, curtain walls, expansion wall joints, partitions, doors, settling cracks, pavements, pre-cast units and copings.(See Fig.1)

#### **Product Features**

- HBR Backer Rod is chemically inert and resistant to oils & gasoline.
- It does not stain or adhere to sealant materials.
- Acts as a bond-breaker strip.
- HBR has a resilient closed cell structure.

#### Limitations

HBR should not be used with hot melt adhesives and sealants where their temperature is over 70°C(160°F).

#### **Standards**

- CEGS-07951-9 Back-Stop Material
- TT-S 00227E ( COM NBS ) 6.8.8 & ASTM C1330

#### Guide for Application Surface Preparation

- Loose friable material should be removed and surfaces made good.
- Joint faces must be clean, dry, clear of dust and free from substances likely to impair adhesion.
- Metal and other non-porous surfaces should be wiped clean using Cleaning Solvent and the two cloth method.

#### Installation

(See Table III for HBR backer rod size per joint width .)

#### **Preparatory Work**

Joint should be clean, moisture free, and clear of any obstructions.

#### Method

Either cut the desired length of HBR Backer Rod or dispense directly from reel. Position HBR in the joint at the depth specified by the sealant manufacturer or architect. Using a blunt tool or roller, press the rod uniformly into the joint at the specified depth. Apply the sealant over the HBR rod according to manufacture's directions.

## **Technical Properties**

S.G. 2.0 Lbs /ft³ (ASTM D-1622)

Tensile Strength 25 psi (ASTM D-1623)

Water Absorption 0.5% By Volume (ASTM D-509)

Compression Deflection 25% at 8 psi (ASTM D-1621)

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#### **Precautions**

Do not puncture, over compress or stretch HBR Backer Rod during insertion.

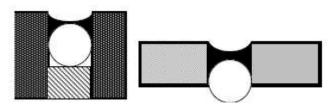
#### **Packaging**

All sizes are wound on reels, and packaged in boxes, except 1 ½ inch and 2 inch diameters which are packaged in 7ft. straight length in cartons. See Table 1 for quantities.

# TABLE 1 SIZING AND PACKAGING DATA HBR Backer Rod Meters Diameter inch (mm.) Per carton

Diamotor, mon, (min.)		per carton
1/4	(6.35 mm.)	1950
3/8,	(9.53 mm.)	1097
1/2,	(12.7 mm.)	762
5/8,	(15.88 mm.)	472
3/4,	(19.05 mm.)	335
1	(25.4 mm.)	167
1¼,	(31.75 mm.)	121
11/2,	(38.1 mm.)	234.5
2,	(50.8 mm.)	160

Figure 1
Typical Uses of HBR Backer Rod
SILICONE SEAL
SEALANT



Temporarily placed and removed once silicone sets. Additional silicone added to fill complete void between glass. **HBR for Butt Glazing** 

**TABLE III** 

HBR in expansion joints and similar applications

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#### RECOMMENDED HBR BACKER ROD SIZE PER JOINT Joint Width, inch, (mm.) H.B.Rod, Diameter,inch,(mm) 3/16 inch or less (4.76mm.) 1/4 inch (6.35 mm.) (6.35 mm.) 3/8 (9.53 mm.) 1/4 3/8 (9.53 mm.) 1/2 (12.7 mm.) 1/2 (12.7 mm.) (15.88 mm.) 5/8 5/8 (15.88 mm.) 3/4 (19.05 mm.) 3/4 (19.05 mm.) (25.4 mm.) 7/8 (22.23 mm.) 11/4 (31.75 mm.) 1 1/8 (28.58 mm.) 11/2 (38.1 mm.) 15/8 (41.28 mm.) (50.8 mm.)

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