

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# Sika® Cleaning Paste LV

For the cleaning and overhaul of pump systems

**TYPICAL PRODUCT DATA (FURTHER VALUES SEE SAFETY DATA SHEET)**

<b>Chemical base</b>	Extended polyurethane polymer (non-reactive)
<b>Color</b>	Beige
<b>Density</b>	1.65 kg/l
<b>Solid content</b>	100 %
<b>Viscosity</b>	D = 1s <sup>-1</sup> 3000 Pa·s <sup>A</sup> D = 10s <sup>-1</sup> 200 Pa·s <sup>A</sup>
<b>Application temperature</b>	20 — 90 °C
<b>Shelf life</b>	3 years

CQP = Corporate Quality Procedure

<sup>A)</sup> 23 °C / 50 % r. h.

**DESCRIPTION**

Sika® Cleaning Paste LV is a specially formulated viscous cleaning agent developed for the use in pump systems.

It is a non-hardening, non-abrasive paste which behaves neutrally with 1-component Sikaflex® and SikaPower® adhesives and sealants.

The cleaning paste has a very good cleaning effect, which can be improved for material-carrying hoses with cleaning plugs. Sika® Cleaning Paste LV can be purged with Sikaflex® and SikaPower® adhesives and sealants.

It is used for low viscous adhesives and sealants. In case the process material you want to purge has a high viscosity, consider using the Sika® Cleaning Paste HV.

**PRODUCT BENEFITS**

- Very good flushing properties
- Non-hardening
- Non-abrasive
- Solvent free
- Long shelf life

**AREAS OF APPLICATION**

Sika® Cleaning Paste LV can be used to flush components filled with medium to low viscous Sika process material.

The most common purposes for the use of the Sika® Cleaning Paste LV are material change, flushing components before overhauling, if components or equipment need to be stalled for a longer period (shutdowns) or for shipping. Most common components that are flushed are pumps, hoses, fittings and application heads.

Consider to use hose plugs (cleaning elements), which can significantly improve the cleaning efficiency for hoses.

For higher viscous process material consider to use Sika® Cleaning Paste HV.

Sika® Cleaning Paste LV is suitable for experienced professional users only.

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## METHOD OF APPLICATION

Before the drum or pail is installed in the pump, the follower plate including the cone (in the middle of the follower plate) must be thoroughly cleaned, i.e. the entire follower plate must be free of adhesive or sealant. The more thoroughly it is cleaned, the less Sika® Cleaning Paste LV and time needed to flush it.

If the pump is unable to fill the empty cone under the follower plate, refer to the application manual for solutions.

## Application

Sika® Cleaning Paste LV is not sensitive to moisture and can be used up to a temperature of 90 °C. If the application temperature exceeds 60 °C, the working area must be well ventilated or suitable extraction systems must be installed.

Once the Sika® Cleaning Paste LV is installed in the pump, it can be pumped through the entire processing system to flush it. The cleaning effect depends heavily on the rinsing speed, the rinsing volume and the viscosity difference between the product and the Sika® Cleaning Paste LV.

Experience has shown that three to five times the system volume (volume in contact with the material) is required to ensure proper flushing. Especially if hoses or components contain highly viscous or partially cured products, it is recommended to install them near the pump outlet.

For typical low viscosity Sika products or prior to first use Sika® Cleaning Paste LV, refer to the Application Manual for detailed instructions.

If it is not clear which Sika® Cleaning Paste is to be used, contact the Systems Engineering Department of the Sika industry.

## Removal

Flushing Sika® Cleaning Paste LV from a pump system or components requires a very conscientious approach. It must be flushed out of the system as completely as possible so that the performance of the process material is not affected. Traces of Sika® Cleaning Paste LV can have an unfavorable effect on adhesion and must be prevented.

The follower plate must be thoroughly cleaned before the process material is installed in the pump. To achieve the most effective cleaning, the rinsing process must be carried out very slowly.

Cleaning plugs for hoses can be used here as well, which significantly improves efficiency. In any case, adhesion tests on original substrates must be carried out after the rinsing process, to ensure process reliability.

## Application Limits

Compatibility test with process material different than 1-component Sikaflex® and Sika-Power® is mandatory prior to flush either way.

## STORAGE CONDITIONS

Sika® Cleaning Paste LV has to be kept below 30 °C in a dry place.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

The information herein is offered for general guidance only. Advice on specific applications is available on request from the Technical Department of Sika Industry.

Copies of the following publications are available on request:

- Safety Data Sheets
- Application Manual
- Cleaning Instruction for Sika® Cleaning Paste

## PACKAGING INFORMATION

Pail <sup>A</sup>	23 l
Drum <sup>B</sup>	100 l

<sup>A</sup>) Pail diameter is 284 mm    <sup>B</sup>) Standard 200 l drum, filled 50 %

## BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

All technical data stated in this document are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

## HEALTH AND SAFETY INFORMATION

For information and advice regarding transportation, handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users shall refer to the actual Safety Data Sheets containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

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