

HEADER INSTALLATION ESSENTIALS: TECHNIQUES, TOOLS, AND FIELD-TESTED SOLUTIONS



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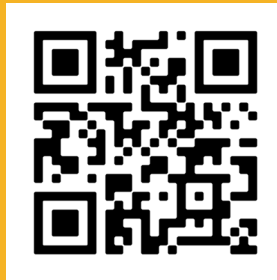
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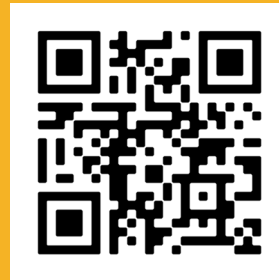
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WHAT TO EXPECT

01 Choosing & Preparing Materials for Effective Installation

02 Techniques and Tools by Material Type

03 Selecting the Best Materials for Your Application

04 Q & A

IMPORTANCE OF HEADER/NOSING MATERIAL



Edge Protection



Flexibility & Load Absorption



Fast Installation







Enhanced Joint Performance



Durability In Harsh Conditions

APPLICATION BY MATERIAL TYPE

	Polyester	Polyurethane	UHPC	Epoxy
Applications				
Spalled or Cracked Concrete	X	X	X	X
Concrete Blockout on each Side of Joint Gap	X	X	X	X
Split-slab Conditions	X	X	X	X
Patching Airport Tarmac and Runway	X (Gray only)	X (Gray only)	X	X
Damp Substrate			X	X
Installation below 40° F	X			
Steel Structures	X	X	X	



STRUCTURE IN NEED OF REPAIR/REPLACEMENT



Poor bonding or delamination

Adhesion/Bond Issues



Surface depression or cracking

Support issues



Stress causing damage

No Relief

SURFACE PREPARATION IS KEY



Repair Needed



Work in Progress



Ready for Nosing Material

WHY IS SURFACE PREPARATION IMPORTANT?

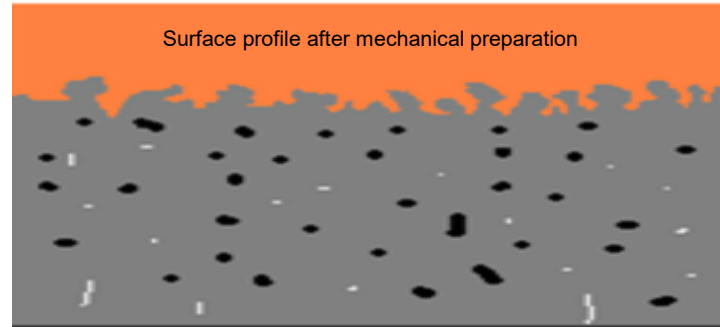
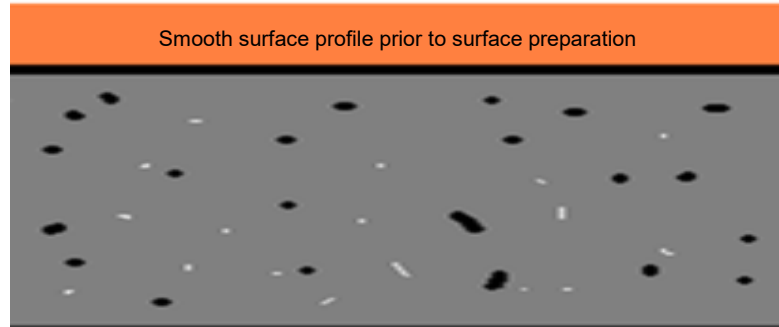


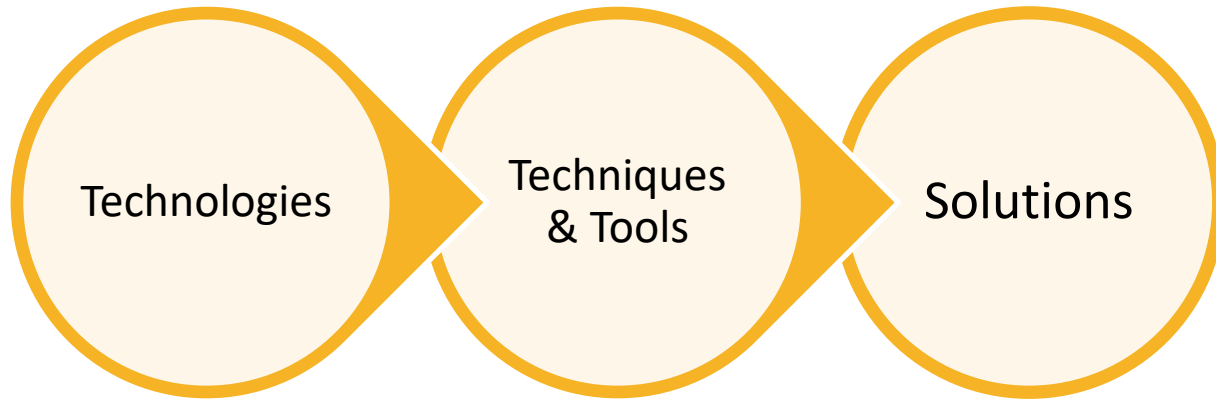
Illustration showing increase in surface area available for bonding after surface preparation

Unprepared surface profile 

Prepared surface profile 

Prepared surface profile stretched flat to show comparative actual surface available for bonding

UNDERSTANDING PREPARATION METHODS IS IMPORTANT FOR MATERIAL SELECTION



POLYURETHANE - WABOCRETE® II TECHNIQUES, TOOLS AND SOLUTIONS



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POLYURETHANE OVERVIEW

2 component polyurethane
elastomeric concrete header
with specialty aggregate



POLYURETHANE PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

ADVANTAGES



Fast Curing



Abrasion Resistant



Bond Versatility



Material Flexibility

LIMITATIONS



Moisture/Humidity



Cold Temperature



Horizontal Installations



Small Batches

WABO®CRETE II – STRENGTH WITH FLEXIBILITY

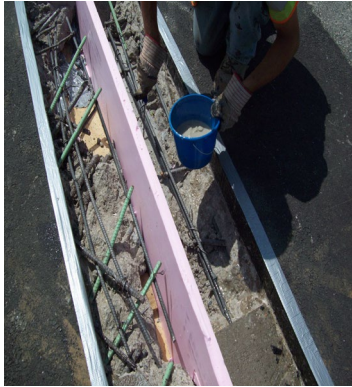
Demonstrates superior **flexibility**, accommodating structural **movement** without compromising **durability**.



POLYURETHANE EQUIPMENT



POLYURETHANE INSTALLATION



Form joint opening,
apply bonding
agent



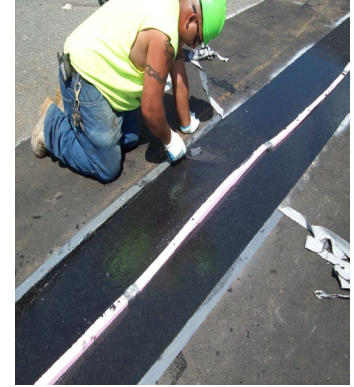
Mix Part A & B
and blend



Pour Part C into
blended A & B
and mix



Install into
blockout



Finish

MIXING BONDING AGENT

- Mixing Part A & B



- Applying Bonding Agent



WABOCRETE® II MIXING



OAKLAND BAY BRIDGE PROJECT



Stats:

- The seismic plate joint systems span 47" (1.2 m) openings in the bridge deck
- Accommodates 24" (+/- 12") of movement
- Average Daily Traffic: 300,000 vehicles

Owner:

California Department of Transportation (Caltrans),
District 4 Toll Bridge Program

POLYESTER - PPC 1121: POLYESTER POLYMER CONCRETE TECHNIQUES, TOOLS AND SOLUTIONS



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POLYESTER MATERIAL OVERVIEW

- Pre-mixed polymer concrete made of polyester binder resin and graded aggregates with a High Molecular Weight Methacrylate (HMWM) primer system
- Recommended for patching and joint header applications for the rehabilitation and preservation of existing and new bridge structures



POLYESTER MATERIAL BENEFITS & LIMITATIONS

- Benefits
 - Packaging available in individual kit and high production options
 - Suitable for full depth joints - variable thickness between $\frac{3}{4}$ " to 12"
 - Installation temperature range of -10 to 110°F for patches and headers
 - Rapid 2-hour cure
- Limitation
 - Substrate must be visibly dry



INSTALLING POLYESTER HEADER



PPC 1121 MIXING



INTERSTATE 5 IN SEATTLE, WA PROJECT



United Professional Caulking & Restoration, Inc installing expansion polyester joint header

<https://www.kwikbondpolymers.com/resources/kwik-bond-polymers-polyester-joint-header/>



UHPC - ULTRA HIGH PERFORMANCE CONCRETE SIKACRETE®-930 UHPC TECHNIQUES, TOOLS AND SOLUTIONS



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WHAT IS UHPC

- Ultra High-Performance Concrete
 - $f'(c) \geq 20,000$ psi
 - flexural strengths up to 7,000 psi
 - No coarse aggregate
 - Contains steel fibers
 - Self-consolidating
 - Excellent durability

Ultra-High Performance Concrete (UHPC) is a cementitious, concrete material that has a minimum specified compressive strength of 17,000 pounds per square inch (120 MPa) with specified durability, tensile ductility and toughness requirements; fibers are generally included in the mixture to achieve specified requirements.

Ultra-High Performance Concrete (UHPC), is also known as reactive powder concrete (RPC). The material is typically formulated by combining portland cement, supplementary cementitious materials, reactive powders, limestone and or quartz flour, fine sand, high-range water reducers, and water. The material can be formulated to provide compressive strengths in excess of 29,000 pounds per square inch (psi) (200 MPa). The use of fine materials for the matrix also provides a dense, smooth surface valued for its aesthetics and ability to closely transfer form details to the hardened surface. When combined with metal, synthetic or organic fibers it can achieve flexural strengths up to 7,000 psi (48 MPa) or greater.

Fiber types often used in UHPC include high carbon steel, PVA, Glass, Carbon or a combination of these types or others. The ductile behavior of this material is a first for concrete, with the capacity to deform and support flexural and tensile loads, even after initial cracking. The high compressive and tensile properties of UHPC also facilitate a high bond strength allowing shorter length of rebar embedment in applications such as closure pours between precast elements.

Ref: Portland Cement Association

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

SIKACRETE®-930 UHPC

One component, steel fiber-reinforced, ultra high-performance concrete (UHPC)

■ Benefits

- Long-term durability
- Pre-packaged solutions
- Low dust technology
- Labor savings through faster installation

■ Limitations

- Cure time 12 hours
- Moisture/humidity intolerant



WHERE IS UHPC USED

- Bridges
 - Precast bridge panel connections
 - Modular superstructural elements
 - Substructure connections
 - Shear keys
 - Header joints
 - Overlays



UHPC BENEFITS

Benefits

- “Ductility”
 - complex, intricate shapes
- Fast-track construction
- Excellent wear resistance
- Excellent impact resistance
- Longer service life
- Improved aesthetics

Limitation

- Batched on site - attention to detail required
- Dust generation



Mars Hill Bridge (Wapello County, Iowa)
110 ft girders with no rebar for stirrups



WHY UHPC?

- Complex, intricate shapes
- High strength
- Fast-track construction
- Excellent post-crack toughening
- Excellent wear resistance
- Excellent impact resistance
- **Longer service life – 80 years!**



Hossain, A. & Chang, C. M., (2023) "Life-Cycle Cost Analysis of Ultra High-Performance Concrete (UHPC) in Retrofitting Applications", *International Interactive Symposium on Ultra-High Performance Concrete* 3(1): 82.
doi: <https://doi.org/10.21838/uhpc.16694> Florida International University

UHPC MIXING



SIKACRETE®-930 UHPC

WHAT IS OUR UVP?

- **Quality Assurance**
 - Current solutions are batched on site
 - *Errors can occur*
 - weighing powders
 - measuring admixtures
 - **Sikacrete®-930 UHPC provides confidence of installed product performance.**



SIKACRETE®-930 UHPC

WHAT IS OUR UVP?

■ Safety

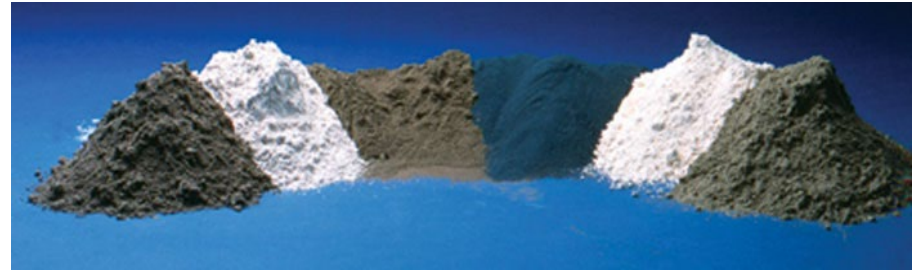
- Current solutions are batched on site
- *Dust generation*
- OSHA respirable quartz considerations
- **Sikacrete®-930 UHPC incorporates low dust technology**



SIKACRETE®-930 UHPC

WHAT IS OUR UVP?

- **Reduced environmental impact**
 - Increased use of supplemental cementing materials through proprietary technology
 - Reduced use of Portland cement
 - **Sikacrete®-930 UHPC**
 - **CO₂ footprint ~ 25% lower**



Ref: Portland Cement Association

SIKACRETE®-930 UHPC

MIXING & PLACEMENT OF SIKACRETE®-930 UHPC

- **Batch Mixing – 5-7 mins.**
 - Auger mixers – Blastrac
 - 4 cu.ft. mixes
 - Pan mixers
 - modifications may be required
- **Single Bag Mixing – 7-10 mins.**
 - Drill & paddle recommended for small projects
 - Collomix XO-55 Duo



UHPC PROJECT PROFILE – I-35 GUTHRIE, OK



Project:

- Joints and shear keys being replaced on bridged deck.
- Needed to open up for College Football weekend, had to wait until 14K psi.
- Used ~2500 cu.ft.

Owner:

OKDOT

SIKA HEADER / NOSING PRODUCT OFFERING



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TECHNOLOGY COMPARISON

Characteristics	Polyester	Polyurethane	UHPC	Epoxy
Material Color	Tan (Tintable)	Black, Gray	Dark Gray	Gray
Cure Time	2 hours	1 – 3 hours	12 hours (min)	4 - 6 hours
Temperature	0 F-degrees (min)	40 F-degrees (min)	40 F-degrees (min)	40 F-degrees (min)
Batching	Large Volume/ Single Units	Single Units	Large Volume/ Single Units	Double Units
Moisture	Intolerant	Intolerant	Tolerant	Tolerant
Self-leveling	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Compressive Strength	Medium-High	Low	High	Medium
Bonding Substrates	Concrete, Steel, Aluminum	Concrete, Steel, Aluminum	Concrete	Concrete, Steel
Full Depth/Structural	Yes	No	Yes	No

SIKA PRODUCT OFFERING

WaboCrete® II



Two-component **polyurethane** expansion joint header with specialty aggregate

Emcrete II



Two-component **polyurethane** resin mixed with sand and aggregates

Emcrete



Two-component **polyurethane** resin mixed with sand and chopped fiberglass aggregates

ElastoPatch



Two-component **polyurethane** resin mixed with cast silica sand and aggregates

SIKA PRODUCT OFFERING

PPC 1121



Single component **polyester** concrete.

SIKACRETE 930 UHPC



Ultra High-Performance Concrete (UHPC) mix in a single-component

Sikadur®-72 JNS



Two-component **epoxy** polymer mortar, plus silica aggregate.

Wabo®SurfaceMend



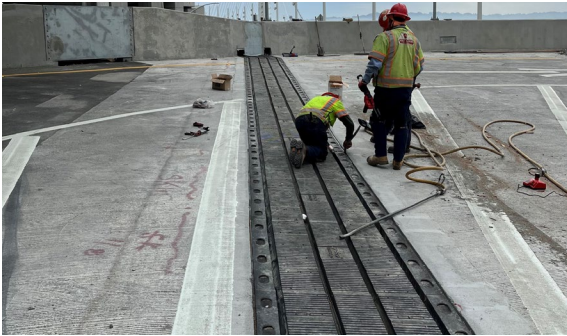
Two-part specially formulated **epoxy** polymer concrete system

COMPATIBLE WITH JOINT SEALS

Small Movement: 0 – 2 in.

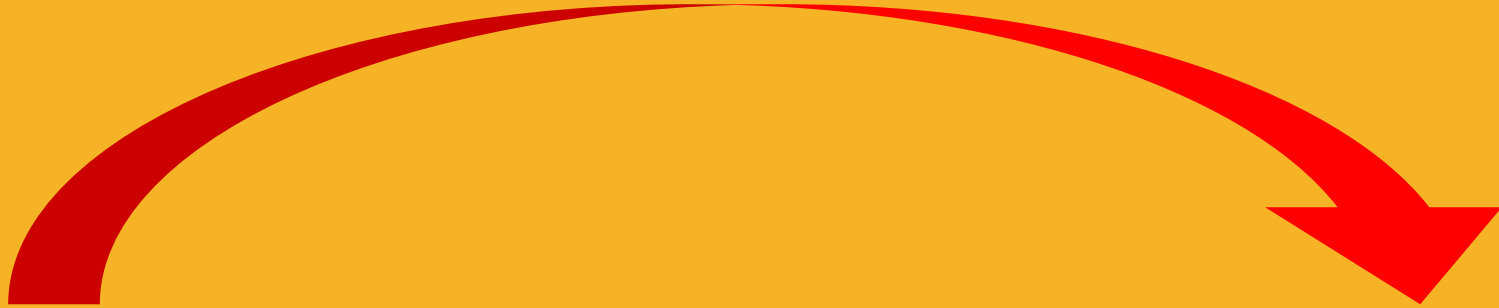
Medium Movement: 2 – 4 in.

Large Movement: >4 in.



COMPATIBLE WITH ARMORED EXPANSION JOINTS





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EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

