

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# SikaSwell® A

### Acrylic swellable joint sealing profile

#### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

SikaSwell® A is an acrylic sealing profile which swells in contact with water to seal all types of joints and penetrations in concrete. It has a rectangular profile and is available in several sizes.

#### USES

To seal:

- Construction joints
- Pipe and steel work penetrations through walls and floor slabs
- Construction joints in cable ducts, etc.
- Around all types of penetrations through concrete

#### CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Easy to apply
- Can be applied on different substrates
- Highly economical
- Swells in contact with water
- Can swell into cracks and gaps
- Long-term reliability tested
- Resistant against water and various chemical substances
- No hardening time required
- No welding required
- Adaptable to fit many different detailing tasks
- Different types and dimensions available

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

<b>Chemical Base</b>	Acrylic polymer	
<b>Packaging</b>	Rolls packed in cardboard boxes SikaSwell® A 2010	Roll of 10 m (32.8ft) Box with 1 or 6 rolls
<b>Appearance / Color</b>	Rectangular red profiles. Swelled and unswelled profiles shown in image below.	



<b>Shelf Life</b>	36 months from the date of production		
<b>Storage Conditions</b>	The product must be stored in original, unopened and undamaged sealed packaging in dry conditions at temperatures between +5 °C (+41°F) and +35 °C (+95°F). Always refer to packaging.		
<b>Dimensions</b>	<b>Type</b> SikaSwell® A 2010	<b>Width</b> 20 mm (0.79 in.)	<b>Height</b> 10 mm (0.39 in.)

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

<b>Swelling</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Demineralised water</b>	<b>5 % saline solution</b>
	3 days	~100 %	~60 %
	7 days	~150 %	~100 %
	14 days	~200 %	~120 %
	21 days	~220 %	~140 %

**Swelling Pressure** ≤ 16 bars after 3 days stored in tap water

**Service Temperature** 0 °C (+32°F) min. / +50 °C (+122°F) max.

## SYSTEM INFORMATION

**System Structure** The following system products must be used:

- SikaSwell® A
- SikaSwell® S-2 Sealant

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

**Substrate Moisture Content** Dry or matt damp. Do not apply in construction joints when standing water is existing.

**Ambient Air Temperature** +5 °C (+41°F) min.  
For installation below +5 °C (+41°F) ambient temperature, special measures are required in accordance with relevant national regulations and Sika guidelines

**Substrate Temperature** +5 °C (+41°F) min.  
For installation below +5 °C (+41°F) substrate temperature, special measures are required in accordance with relevant national regulations and Sika

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

### SUBSTRATE QUALITY

The substrate must be sound, clean, dry or matt damp, free from all surface contaminants

### SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

#### Existing Concrete

All loose particles, release agents, laitance, paint, rust and other poorly adhering materials must be removed by suitable hand or mechanical preparation.

#### Freshly cast concrete

During concreting, compact well around SikaSwell® A profiles to provide a dense concrete without any honeycombing or voids.

Surfaces which are excessively rough can be susceptible to leaking. It is recommended to smoothen the freshly cast concrete with a batten where the sealing profile is to be placed.

### APPLICATION METHOD / TOOLS

#### SikaSwell® S-2 Sealant application

Apply SikaSwell® S-2 in a narrow bed (size of triangular section ~5 mm) onto the prepared substrate. Extrude sufficient quantity to level the roughness of the substrate. Refer to the SikaSwell® S-2 Product Data Sheet

#### SikaSwell® A application

Cut the SikaSwell® A-Profile to the required length. Press the SikaSwell® A-Profile into the freshly applied SikaSwell S-2 until a small quantity is extruded from both sides of the profile to achieve a full surface bond. The profiles must be placed within max. 30 minutes. Connections and corners must be butt jointed and fixed. Allow SikaSwell® S-2 to harden for 2–3 hours before placing concrete. Protect the SikaSwell® A profiles against water (e.g. rain) until the concrete is placed.

## LIMITATIONS

- Ensure a full and continuous contact between the SikaSwell® A profiles and the substrate is achieved.
- The SikaSwell® A profiles require a reinforced concrete / concrete cover of at least 8 cm (3.2 in.).
- SikaSwell® A profiles expand in contact with water. This does not occur immediately, but slowly after several hours. It is advisable not to leave SikaSwell® A profiles in the open air or exposed to rain water (max. 24 hours as long as water can drain away)
- Do not use profiles for movement joints.
- If the water level suddenly increases the watertightness of joints will only be achieved after SikaSwell® A profiles have swollen.
- In a totally dry state, SikaSwell® A profiles shrink to

their original dimensions then expands again in contact with water.

- Above 2.5 bar water pressure it is recommended to install an additional back-up system such as SikaFuko®-System.
- If profiles are to be fixed around small diameter pipes use additional mechanical fixing with tie wire or a sleeve.

## BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

Results may differ based upon statistical variations depending upon mixing methods and equipment, temperature, application methods, test methods, actual site conditions and curing conditions.

## OTHER RESTRICTIONS

See Legal Disclaimer.

## ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY

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