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WATER REGULATIONS ADVISORY SCHEME (WRAS).

TESTING OF NON-METALLIC MATERIALS FOR USE WITH DRINKING WATER (BS 6920 : 2000)

AUDIT TEST REPORT

Product : Activator 7649 & Loctite 567
Report Reference : M 103258/B
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Report Date : 24th March 2004

Executive Summary - samples of this product have been tested to the Audit Test requirements of the Water Regulations Advisory Scheme (WRAS)/BS 6920:2000 for use with Hot and Cold Water.

A copy of this report should be submitted to the Water Regulations Advisory Scheme (WRAS) for further advice concerning this product.

Conformity with the Audit Test requirements of the WRAS will be confirmed by the Scheme.

NOTES.

1. The results given in this report relate only to the items tested, and not necessarily to the bulk from which they were taken.
2. This test work was undertaken in the UKAS accredited Spencer House laboratory of Thames Water Utilities Ltd., UKAS registration number 0677, unless otherwise stated.
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WATER REGULATIONS ADVISORY SCHEME TESTS OF EFFECT ON WATER
QUALITY (BS 6920:2000).**

0. INTRODUCTION.

The samples of the product referred to in this report have been tested in accordance with the methods of the Water Regulations Advisory Scheme (WRAS) Tests of Effect on Water Quality/BS 6920-2:2000 "Suitability of non-metallic products for use in contact with water intended for human consumption with regard to their effect on the quality of the water : Methods of Test". **The testing undertaken is in accordance with the Water Regulations Advisory Scheme (WRAS) letter ref CR/JC dated 25th November 2003.**

1. TEST SAMPLES.

General composition of product	Anaerobic Thread Sealant & Activator	
Trade name/designation	Activator 7649 & Loctite 567	
Material manufacturer	Loctite Ireland/USA	
Date of manufacture/production	Activator = October 2002 Sealant = May 2003	
Production batch numbers	Activator = 02KE628 Sealant = 3EP 240C	
Samples prepared by	WQC Staff	
Submitting organisation	Henkel Loctite Adhesives	
Date of receipt of test samples	1 st December 2003	
Method of packaging	Product Container	
Condition on receipt	Satisfactory	
Laboratory storage before test	Ambient temperature (21±4)°C	
Description of	test article	Activator was sprayed onto the male thread of a brass coupling, sealant was then applied to the male thread before assembly. Assembled coupling was then cured for 7 days at 7°C.
Appearance of a test article	colour surface finish opacity	Off White Smooth Opaque
Surface area of one article (mm ²)	n/a	
Number of articles to give a surface area of 15000mm ²	n/a	
Calibration mark of the test vessel/container in litres	1	
Extraction temperature used for tests 2 & 6	(85±2)°C	

2. ODOUR & FLAVOUR OF WATER TEST

Temperature of extraction : (85±2)°C

Date test started : 20.01.04.

The extracts from the samples were compared with the procedural blank test waters by a panel of 3 testers. The following results were obtained for the test extracts.

Extract	Test water	Test	Descriptors	Threshold dilutions
Sample 1 First	Chlorine free	Odour	Sweet/Chemical/Sweet	
		Flavour	--	--
	Chlorinated	Odour	--	
		Flavour	--	--
Final	Chlorine free	Odour	None	
		Flavour	None	<1
	Chlorinated	Odour	None	
		Flavour	None	<1

COMMENT. On the basis of these results the samples of this product have been found **to conform** with the requirements of BS 6920-1 : Clause 4 when extracted at 85°C.

4. GROWTH OF AQUATIC MICROORGANISMS.

Temperature of test : (30±2)°C.

Date test started : 20.01.04.

Container	Mean Dissolved Oxygen Difference (MDOD) in mg/L
Test product (weeks 5 to 7)	0.9
Negative reference (glass) (weeks 5 to 7)	0.1
Positive reference (wax) (weeks 5 to 7)	6.5
Special negative reference	0.3
Negative control - Mean dissolved oxygen concentration (weeks 5 to 7)	7.7

COMMENT. On the basis of these results the sample of this product has been found **to conform** with the requirements of BS 6920-1 : Clause 6.

At the end of this test the test pieces showed no changes in colour and appearance.

6. EXTRACTION OF METALS.

Temperature of extraction : (85±2)°C

Date test started : 20.01.04.

The results obtained for the first extract are given below -

Element	Unit	MAC	Reporting limit	Sample 1	Sample 2	Brass Coupling Blank	Reagent blank
Aluminium 7 th Extract	Al	µg/L	200	15.0	<15.0 <15.0	241.0 <15.0	<15.0 <15.0
Antimony Total Effect	Sb	µg/L	10	0.5	0.9 <0.5	0.9 <0.5	0.8 0.9
Arsenic	As	µg/L	50	0.8	<0.8	<0.8	<0.8
Barium	Ba	µg/L	1000	4.0	<4.0	<4.0	<4.0
Cadmium	Cd	µg/L	5	0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Chromium	Cr	µg/L	50	5.0	<5.0	<5.0	<5.0
Iron	Fe	µg/L	200	12.0	<12.0	<12.0	<12.0
Lead Total Effect	Pb	µg/L	50	0.5	67.7 <0.5	122.0 15.9	106.1 <0.5
Manganese	Mn	µg/L	50	3.0	<3.0	<3.0	<3.0
Mercury	Hg	µg/L	1	0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
Nickel	Ni	µg/L	50	2.0	<2.0	<2.0	2.0 <2.0
Selenium	Se	µg/L	10	0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Silver	Ag	µg/L	10	1.0	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0

Extract Analytical.

The analysis of the extracts for these metals was undertaken in the Millharbour Laboratories of Thames Water, UKAS registration number 1258.

Mercury, arsenic, selenium, antimony, silver and lead - inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry [method code 407].

Aluminium, barium, cadmium, chromium, iron, manganese, and nickel - inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry [method code 385].

Analytical Control Data - these two techniques are in continuous use for analysis of drinking water metals; all of these techniques are fully validated to the requirements of "A Manual on Analytical Quality Control for the Water Industry" (NS 30) and the requirements laid down by the Drinking Water Inspectorate. Each technique has a comprehensive AQC protocol including control solutions and spike recovery testing with each batch of samples for analysis; full details available upon request.

COMMENT. On the basis of these results the samples of this product have been found **to conform** with the requirements of BS 6920-1 : Clause 8 when extracted at 85°C.

NOTE. In the Extraction of Metals Test the concentration of Antimony found in the reagent blank exceeded the limit of detection for this element. After investigation it was concluded, however, that the test was valid and that the results obtained for the product do conform with the requirements for this test.

CONCLUSIONS.

The samples of this product have been tested in accordance with the Audit Test requirements of the Water Regulations Advisory Scheme (WRAS) for use with hot (up to 85°C) and cold water.

A copy of this report should be submitted to the Water Regulations Advisory Scheme (WRAS) for further advice concerning this product.

NOTE : materials and products intended for use by a public water supply company in the preparation or conveyance of water may need to satisfy more comprehensive toxicological requirements as set specified by the Drinking Water Inspectorate. These additional requirements are necessary to ensure legal compliance with Regulation 25 of the Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 1989.

NO OTHER TESTS WERE UNDERTAKEN ON THIS PRODUCT.

NOTES -

1. The results specified in this report relate to the samples submitted for evaluation and not necessarily to the bulk from which they were taken. Any changes in the nature or source of ingredients and the process of manufacture or application could affect the suitability of the product for use in contact with drinking water.
2. We would draw to your attention that reports issued by the accredited test laboratories do not of themselves constitute approval by the Water Regulations Advisory Scheme (WRAS) or the test laboratory. Only a letter from the Scheme, citing a Directory Reference Number, can be regarded as indicating approval.



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