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LA BarFix

Multi-Purpose Polyester Resin Grout

Product Description

La Barfix is a multi-purpose polyester resin grout are all anchoring applications with high pullout strength characteristic. Its two part system with base polyester resin and powder hardener. After hardening the grout produces anchorages of consistent reproducible values.

La Barfix can be used for Large, Small and Pumpable Grade applications.

Barfix is used where the difference between the hole diameter and bar diameter is < 25mm. It can also be used in overhead or horizontal holes where bar/hole relationship conforms to Barfix polyester resin grout. The thixotropic nature of Barfix polyester resin grout reduces flow of grout out of the hole.

Uses

Barfix is used for high strength corrosion resistant anchoring of bolts and bars from 8 - 51mm diameter into concrete, rock, masonry or brick work where high speed of installation and early application of load is required. Permanent installation of reinforcement starter bars, foundation bolts, base plates, balustrading, barriers and safety fences, railway tracks, tie-back anchors, reinforcement dowelling abutments, ground anchors for towers, cranes, dock sills.

Advantages

- Rapid strength
- Vibration resistant
- Corrosion resistant
- Non-expansive
- Can be placed under water

Standards and specifications

Materials tested in accordance with
BS 4551 / BS 5080 / BS 2782

Technical Properties

Specific Gravity :	1.9g/cc

Design Criteria

The version of Barfix grout to be used will depend upon ambient temperature and anchor conditions.

The high strength of the cured resin permits strong anchors to be created. The ultimate bond strength developed depends upon:

- Strength of host material
- Length of resin bond to bar
- Hole preparation and formation
- Type and dimension of bar

Properties

Gel time Temp(°C)	Gel time (min)	Minimum time required before loading (hours)
20	80	7
30	40	3
40	15	1

Compressive strength: After the minimum time required before loading the grout typically attains a compressive strength in excess of 20N/mm^2 and an ultimate compressive strength of 70N/mm^2 in 7 days (50mm x 50mm x 50mm) when tested as per BS 6319 Part 2 : 1983.

Chemical resistance: The cured resin is resistant to fresh and salt water, petrol, oils, grease and most acids, alkalis and solvents.

Application instructions: Barfix will be chosen depending on anchor conditions (see description)

Parameters of anchor design
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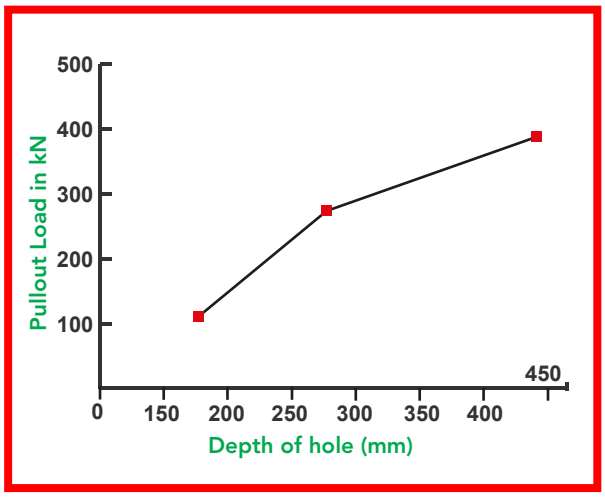
Table 1: Typical Pullout Load Results of



Concrete test specimen: RCC blocks

Compressive strength: 70 MPa

Bonded Area calculated based on hole diameter

Anchor rods: MS bars

Minimum safety factors of 1.5 in non critical and of 2 in critical cases should be considered for design purposes. Wherever relevant, the local code of practice or standard must also be considered in relation to anchorage length.

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Dia of Rod (mm)	Dia of Hole (mm)	Bonded Length (mm)	Bonded Area (mm^2)	Load (kN)	Bond Strength (MPa)
16	20	175	10996	102	9.25
25	30	275	25918	274	8.95
32	38	450	53721	395	7.37

Note: In the pullout load results the mode of failure showed cracks in concrete

Hole preparation and formation
Optimum performance of Barfix requires rough sided, dust free holes. Uses of rotary percussive drills with air or water flushing is recommended.

Diamond drilled holes should be under-reamed unless necessary safety factors are incorporated.

Cast holes should preferably be inverse dovetail configuration. If parallel sides holes are cast they should be rough to provide adequate keying.

Bar preparation
All bars should preferably be degreased and all flaky rust removed.

Mixing

A complete pack of resin and catalysed filler should be mixed in one operation. Mixing may be carried out mechanically. When a smooth, even consistency is achieved the grout is ready for use and should be placed well within the gel time of the grout (See properties).

Packs have been designed to produce practical and economic volumes of grout. Do not attempt to mix partial pack components.

Installation

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Using the calculated volume of grout based on Table 1, the grout should be poured steadily into the prepared holes. The anchor bar is then pressed into the hole to the required depth. Slight agitation of the bar will assist in achieving a complete bond. The bar should then be left undisturbed in the required position until the resin is set.

Barfix polyester resin grout
The grout should be injected to the rear of the hole to avoid air entrapment. The thixotropic nature of Barfix will prevent significant flow of resin out of the hole.

Cleaning
Any mixing drums, pumps, etc. Should be cleaned within the pot life of of the grout.

Table 2
Quantity estimating guide
Table indicates volume of Barfix polyester resin grout in cm^3 /100mm bond (Apprx.)

Hole dia mm	Bolt dia mm				
12	**16**	**20**	**25**	**32**	**40**
20	25				
25	50	40	25		
32	80	70	60	40	
38		100	100	75	45
45		150	130	100	45
50			180	150	90
62				280	225

These figures allow for a 25% wastage factor.

If the anchor is in very old concrete, masonry or brickwork the wastage factor should be increased.

No of bolts/200 mm deep hole which can be fixed using a 5kgs pack of Barfix (Apprx.)

Hole dia mm	Bolt size mm					
12	**12**	**16**	**20**	**25**	**32**	**40**
20	50					
25	25	31	50			
32	15	17	21	31		
38		12	12	16	27	
45			8	9	12	27
50			6	8	9	13
62			4	4	5	5

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Shelf Life

The product should be stored away from high temperature. 6months shelf life when stored below 25^{0}C in original unopened containers.

Packaging

Barfix : 1kg and 5kg Packs

Health & Safety

Confined areas must be well ventilated and no naked flames allowed. Contact with the skin should be avoided as certain sensitive skins may be affected by contact with the polyester resin. In such cases if contact with the resin occurs, the skin should be washed immediately with soap and water - not solvent. Gloves and barrier creams should be used when handling these products.

Eye contamination must be immediately washed with plenty of water and medical treatment sought.

Fire

Barfix polyester resin grout resin is flammable. Confined areas must be well ventilated and no naked flames allowed.

Do not smoke during use.

Flash Point : Barfix - 29^{0}C

Precautions

Fire resistance and creep

At operating temperatures above 40^{0}C, the creep of Barfix polyester resin grout resin under load may become significant. Resin anchors should not be used where structural load bearing performance has to be maintained in anchors subjected to fire conditions.

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