

Belzona 2131

FN10181 (D & A FLUID ELASTOMER)



INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

1. TO ENSURE AN EFFECTIVE MOLECULAR WELD

a) SURFACE PREPARATION

(i) Metallic Surfaces

Remove all loose surface contamination and degrease with **Belzona® 9111** (Cleaner/Degreaser) or any other effective cleaner which does not leave a residue e.g. methyl ethyl ketone (MEK). Use a flame to sweat out oil from deeply impregnated surfaces.

Grit blast to a minimum 3 mil (75 microns) profile. Where blasting is not practical, thorough mechanical grinding may be considered, except for applications involving tensile loads, such as expansion joints, and all applications involving immersion and/or fluid flow.

(ii) Flexible Surfaces (e.g. rubbers)

NOTE : **Belzona® 9111** can draw processing oils and waxes to the surface of some rubbers, particularly when new, which then impairs adhesion of **Belzona® 2131**. Test for this on a small area. If, on rubbing with a rag moistened with **Belzona® 9111**, a greasy film appears, the surface should not be degreased, but simply abraded.

Undercut fine edges with a sharp knife and scuff the surface with a rotary wire brush or suitable roughing tool.

Brush away loose contamination and degrease again with **Belzona® 9111**.

(iii) Concrete Surfaces

Remove all paint, tar and any other coatings.

Any surface to which **Belzona® 2131** is to be applied must be clean, firm and dry. Wash old concrete down with detergent to remove oil, grease and dust. Use clean water to wash away the detergent.

Allow new concrete to cure for a minimum of 28 days or until the moisture content is below 6% using a Protimeter.

Blast clean, or mechanically scarify the surface to remove all loose material and surface laitance.

(iv) GRP & Existing Belzona Surfaces

When using **Belzona® 2131** to coat GRP surfaces, the surface must be abraded using mechanical sanding equipment, followed by conditioning as below.

When using **Belzona® 2131** to overcoat a surface which has been treated with a **Belzona® 1000** Series product (except **Belzona® 1221** (Super E-Metal)), the **Belzona® 1000** Series product must first be allowed to fully cure, the surface prepared as outlined in section 1 (a) (i), and **Belzona® 2911**, **Belzona® 2921** or **Belzona® 2941** applied as outlined in section 1 (b).

Application of **Belzona® 2131** over **Belzona® 1221** can be carried out up to 4 hours after the application of **Belzona® 1221** without the need of any surface treatment other than removal of contamination. When overcoating **Belzona® 1221** after this time, the surface should be abraded, followed by conditioning as in Section 1 (b).

b) CONDITIONING

All surfaces must be Conditioned before applying **Belzona® 2131**. Please see table below for guidance on the recommended Conditioner based on the substrate type and service conditions:

Substrate Type & Service Conditions	Possible Conditioner Choice		
	Belzona® 2911	Belzona® 2921	Belzona® 2941
Metallic surfaces in wet/immersed environments	x	x	✓
Metallic surfaces in dry environments	✓	✓	✓
Flexible surfaces e.g., Rubber in wet/immersed environments	✓	✓	x
Flexible surfaces e.g., Rubber in dry environments	✓	✓	x
Concrete surfaces in wet/immersed environments	x	x	✓
Concrete surfaces in dry environments	✓	✓	✓
GRP and other Belzona coatings in wet/immersed environments	✓	✓	✓✓
GRP and other Belzona coatings in dry environments	✓	✓	✓

- x - Not suitable for use
- ✓ - Suitable for use
- ✓✓ - Best recommendation

Apply a thin, even coat of **Belzona® Conditioner** onto the surface. A brush should be used as a stipple.

Practical coverage rate :

Belzona® 2941 19.8 sq.ft. (1.83 sq.m) per unit, on metallic substrates.

Belzona® 2911 and **Belzona® 2921**, 13 sq.ft. (1.25 m²) per unit, on smooth substrates. On well roughened rubber substrates this could be reduced by as much as 50%.

The **Belzona® Conditioner** must be touch dry before overcoating with **Belzona® 2131**. This will depend on the **Belzona® Conditioner** selected, prevailing temperature, relative humidity and substrate. At 68°F (20°C) and 50% relative humidity, the touch dry state will be achieved after the times given when applied to a steel surface.

Conditioner	Touch Dry	Max. Overcoating
Belzona® 2911	45 mins	24 hours
Belzona® 2921	75 mins	
Belzona® 2941	8 hours	

NOTE:

- Relative humidity should be between 30 & 90% and surface temperature at least 5°F (3°C) above dew point during the application and drying of the Conditioner.
- At lower temperatures and humidity, a longer drying time is required.
- These times may be extended when applied to rubber substrates.
- If in doubt leave Conditioner longer to dry but under no circumstances should maximum overcoat time be exceeded.

NOTE: Belzona® 2911 has an 18 month shelf life and **Belzona® 2921 & Belzona® 2941** have a 24 month shelf life from date of manufacture when stored at 41 - 77°F (5 - 25°C) and must be used before the stated "use by" date.

WHERE BELZONA® 2131 SHOULD NOT ADHERE

Brush on a thin layer of **Belzona® 9411** (Release Agent) and allow to dry for 15 - 20 minutes before proceeding to step 2.

2. COMBINING THE REACTIVE COMPONENTS

Both Base and Solidifier components must remain sealed until the application stage.

- Stir the contents of the Solidifier container thoroughly to re-incorporate any settlement.
- Transfer the entire contents of the Base container into the mixing bowl provided before pouring the Solidifier over the Base component in the mixing bowl.
- Immediately mix together for at least 3 minutes and use all material within the times shown in the table below.

Temperature	50°F (10°C)	68°F (20°C)	86°F (30°C)	104°F (40°C)
Use all material within	20 min.	12 min.	9 min.	7 min.

VOLUME CAPACITY OF MIXED BELZONA® 2131

27.0 cu.in. (443 cm³) per 500g unit.

3. APPLYING THE BELZONA® 2131

FOR BEST RESULTS

Do not apply when:-

- The temperature is below 41°F(5°C) or the relative humidity is above 90%.
- Rain, snow, fog or mist is present.
- There is moisture on the surface or is likely to be deposited by subsequent condensation.
- The working environment is likely to be contaminated by oil/grease from adjacent equipment or smoke from kerosene heaters or tobacco smoking.

a) Resurfacing

Apply the **Belzona® 2131** to the prepared surface with a stiff bristled brush or the plastic applicator provided to give a coverage rate of approximately 19.05 sq.ft. (1.77 m²) per 500g unit at 10 mil (0.25 mm) thickness.

b) Casting

- Brush a thin coat of **Belzona® 2131** onto the inside of the mould previously treated with **Belzona® 9411**.
- Pour the remaining **Belzona® 2131** into the mould, avoiding air entrapment, and then remove occluded air by vibrating the mould.

CLEANING

Mixing tools should be cleaned immediately after use with **Belzona® 9111** or any other effective solvent e.g. Methyl ethyl ketone (MEK). Application tools should be cleaned using a suitable solvent such as **Belzona® 9121**, MEK, acetone or cellulose thinners.

4. COMPLETION OF THE MOLECULAR REACTION

Allow **Belzona® 2131** to solidify as below before subjecting it to the conditions indicated:

	Movement (no loading)	Light loading	Full mechanical loading	Immersion in chemicals
50°F (10°C)	4 hours	16 hours	48 hours	96 hours
68°F (20°C)	2 hours	8 hours	24 hours	60 hours
86°F (30°C)	1½ hours	6 hours	20 hours	48 hours
104°F (40°C)	1 hour	4 hours	16 hours	36 hours

These times are for a thickness of approximately 0.10 ins (2.5mm); they will be reduced for thicker sections and extended for thinner sections.

5. STORAGE

Store in a dry environment at a temperature between 41°F (5°C) and 86°F (30°C).

Inadvertent storage of **Belzona® 2100** Base below 41°F (5°C) may result in partial solidification. If this occurs, the material can be restored to its normal form by resealing the container and warming to between 104°F (40°C) and 122°F (50°C) for 3 hours in a well ventilated, dry area.

6. OVERCOATING

Application of subsequent layers of **Belzona® 2131** can be carried out typically between a minimum of 2 hours and maximum of 3 days after the previous application without need of any surface treatment other than removal of contamination. **Belzona® 2100** series products should never be applied "Wet on Wet".

Aged or weathered **Belzona® 2131** should be prepared and Conditioned as described for flexible surfaces in Section 1 above.

HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION

Please read and make sure you understand the relevant Safety Data Sheets.

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