# **LAPOX® A-20 | K-20**

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# Ambient cure high viscous adhesive system

## **Description**

Lapox A-20 and Lapox K-20 is two component modified, viscous epoxy adhesive system. When both components are mixed in recommended ratio and cured appropriately at room temperature, excellent bond strength can be achieved with most of the substrates including metals, ceramic, gem stone, plastics, wood, concrete thermoset plastics and natural stone. Faster productivity can be achieved if curing is performed at higher temperature, i.e. 40°C to 60°C. Curing at higher temperature is recommended to achieve optimum bond strength.

## **Applications**

Artificial jewelry and jewel stone fixing

Ceramics work Concrete

Electronic speakers Marble joining Metal and Wood Zari fixing in textiles

## **Advantages**

Good electrical insulation properties

High bond strength

High mechanical strength even in dynamic conditions

Water and chemical resistant

## **Typical specifications**

Test	Unit	Reference	Value	
			Resin	Hardener
Description	-	Visual	Clear viscous liquid	Clear, yellowish to brownish, viscous liquid
Viscosity at 25°C1	m Pas	ASTM D2196	40,000 - 45,000	30,000 - 40,000
Colour	GS	ASTM D1544	< 1	Max 12
Density	g/cc	ASTM D792	1.04 - 1.12	0.92 - 0.98
<sup>1</sup> Viscosity by Brookfield viscometer				

### Mix specifications

Test	Unit	Reference	Value
Mixing ratio (resin : hardener)	w/w	-	100 : 80
Mix viscosity at 25°C	m Pas	ASTM D2196	30,000 - 40,000
Pot life <sup>1</sup>	Minutes	ASTM D2471	65 - 80
Surface dry <sup>2</sup>	Minutes	ASTM D5895	110 - 130
Touch dry <sup>2</sup>	Minutes	ASTM D5895	300 - 320
Hard dry <sup>2</sup>	Minutes	ASTM D5895	510 - 550

 $<sup>^{1}\</sup>text{Pot}$  life of 100 g mix mass at 25  $\pm$  1°C in plastic disposable cup by 'Gardco' gel timer

## After cure specifications

Test	Unit	Reference	Value
Lap shear strength at 25°C1	kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	ASTM D1002	Min 110
Coefficient of linear expansion	°C	DIN-53752	(50 - 60) 10 <sup>-6</sup>
Modulus of elasticity E	kg/cm <sup>2</sup>	ISO / R 527	7 x 10 <sup>6</sup>
Temperature withstand ability of joint	°C	-	-60°C to 60°C

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Lap shear strength on prepared aluminum strips after 24 hours curing

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Drying time of 200 micron film on glass plate at 25°C

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**Surface reparation:** The adherents must be thoroughly degreased with a good degreasing solvent (e.g. toluene, acetone trichloroethylene) and abraded with coarse emery paper or chemically etched. Inadequately pre-treated substrates may not bond satisfactorily. For special treatments, please refer to the specific Instruction sheet on this subject or to IS13199:191 "Adhesives-Guidelines for surface preparation for adhesive bonding".

**Application:** The mixed mass is applied by brush or spatula on the surface to be adhered. The two components are then assembled in a suitable jig or fixture to have contact pressure till the adhesive sets. The mix must be used within its pot-life.

**Curing:** Curing normally takes place at room temperature within about 24 hours depending on the ambient temperature but may be accelerated by the application of heat. If curing in an oven is carried out, one of the following schedules may be adopted:

Temperature	Curing Time
25°C	12 to 24 hours
40°C	4 to 6 hours
60°C to 70°C	45 to 60 minutes
100°C	15 minutes

#### **Packaging**

Lapox A-20 and Lapox K-20 are available in 1.8 kg bottles, 9 kg, 45 kg and 90 kg HDPE carboys.

### Storage and handling

Lapox A-20 and Lapox K-20 should be stored in a cool and dry place, preferably in a sealed container and should not be exposed to direct sunlight. This product has a shelf-life of two years, if stored in its original container between 2°C and 40°C away from humidity and excessive heat. Please refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for detailed instructions on storage and handling.

#### Safety

Wear personal protective equipment (PPE). Avoid contact with the eyes and skin. In case of direct contact and irritation, it should be washed off immediately with soap and warm water. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Please refer to the SDS for detailed safety instructions.

# Spills and disposal

In case of spills, sweep up and shovel the spilled material. Keep spilled material in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Soak up with an absorbent such as clay, sand or other suitable material. Flush area with water to remove trace residue. Do not allow the product to reach the sewage system. Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state or local regulations, as applicable.

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