

**Product Information:**

# MS Contractor 550

**Neutral, & fast curing building sealant**

**General description and applications:**

MS Contractor 550 belongs to the new generation of MS-polymer sealants, which combines the best properties of silicone- and polyurethane sealants. The sealant cures by reaction with the humidity of the air to an elastic joint, which has a movement capability of +/- 25 %.

MS Contractor 550 is absolute odourless, neutral and fast curing. It can be painted and has a remarkable resistance to climatic influence.

MS Contractor 550 is suitable as an universal construction sealer for buildings, industry and marine, indoor as well as outdoor. It is particularly suitable for expansion joints and sealing tasks, where silicone sealants would have been used earlier, but where the paintability and compatibility of an MS-sealant is required.

MS Contractor 550 meets the requirements of Eimcode Class EC 1<sup>PLUS</sup>  
 MS Contractor fulfills requirements in ISO 11600 F25 LM  
 MS Contractor 550 is approved for indirect contact to foodstuff.



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**Physical / chemical properties:**

**Uncured sealant:**

Type: MS-hybrid polymer, 1-component  
 Contains fungicide: No  
 Specific gravity: 1,53 kg/litre  
 Shelf life: 18 months in unopened packing, if stored cool and dry.  
 Packaging:

Item no.	Colour	Size
55062	White	600 mL foilbags
55063	Grey	600 mL foilbags
55065	Black	600 mL foilbags
55066	Cement Grey	600 mL foilbags
55067	Concrete Grey	600 mL foilbags
55068	Antracit	600 mL foilbags
55069	Light Grey	600 mL foilbags
55073	Yellow	600 mL foilbags

**Cured sealant:**

Paintable: Yes  
 Hardness: 24 Shore A  
 Elastic modulus : 0.5 N/mm<sup>2</sup> (DIN 53504)  
 Elongation at break: 500% (DIN 53504)  
 Resistance: Temperature: approx. -40 °C to +90 °C.  
 Climatic ageing (UV): good  
 Good resistance to water, seawater, aliphatic solvents, oil, grease, diluted organic acids and bases. Not resistant to concentrated acids and chlorinated organic solvents.



## Directions for use:

- Joint dimensions:** Joints in which MS Contractor 550 is used should be dimensioned so that the movement of the free sealant is below +/- 25 %. The joint should be min. 6 mm and max. 40 mm wide. Use joint back-up material in the right dimension, which is placed according to the wanted depth of the joint. The depth of the joint is usually half of the width, although small joints should be square.
- Preparation:** All surfaces must be clean, dry, free of grease, dust and loose particles. MS Contractor 550 can be used without primer on surfaces like glass, most metals, most painted surfaces and most plastics. For optimum bonding we recommend the use of Primer 960 on non-absorbent surfaces as e.g. stainless steel and acrylics or Primer 961 on porous surfaces as bricks and concrete etc.
- In practice, variations can occur in the different materials, therefore it is always recommended to carry out sufficient bonding tests before commencing - in particular larger - tasks.
- We recommend the use of covering tape, which should be removed immediately after application of the sealant.
- Application conditions:** Can be applied at temperatures from +5 °C to +40 °C and a relative air humidity at minimum 30 %.
- Application:** The tip of the cartridge is cut off with a keen knife after which the tip is cut with an inclined cut, which is a little smaller than the width of the joint. The sealant is applied by means of a hand- or pneumatic gun.
- The sealant does not function in thin layers (scraped). Therefore, remove and clean exposed surfaces completely.
- Curing:** Approx. 2-3 mm/24 hours at 23 °C and 50 % RH.  
The curing time is slowed down at lower temperatures and lower relative humidity.
- Paint treatment:** After curing MS Contractor 550 can be painted with most water borne paints. Make a test of the paint's usability on the joint. It is not recommended to paint with slow curing alkyd paints as these tend to stay sticky.
- White joints indoor:** For white joints indoor we recommend Interior 521 due to a better colour stability. Further information on discolouration of joints can be supplied.
- Cleaning:** Tools can be cleaned, and sealant removed with e.g. heptane or white spirit.  
Cured sealant can only be removed mechanically.  
Hands should be washed with water and soap.

## Health and safety:

For further information on safety, refer to product safety data sheet.

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