

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

## 1. TO ENSURE AN EFFECTIVE MOLECULAR WELD

#### **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).

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, 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® 2121.** 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.
- Immediately, apply a thin, even coat of Belzona® 2911 or Belzona® 2921 (Élastomer QD Conditioner or Elastomer GP Conditioner) onto the surface. A brush should be used as a stipple to ensure a practi cal coverage rate of 13 sq.ft. (1.25 m²) per unit, on steel and most metallic substrates. On well rough ened rubber substrates this could be reduced by as much as 50%.

The Belzona® Conditioner must be touch dry before overcoating with **Belzona® 2121**. 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. These times may be extended when applied to rubber substrates.

Conditioner	Touch Dry	Max. Overcoating	
Belzona® 2911	20 min.	4 hours	
Belzona® 2921 2 hours		24 hours	

Under no circumstances should application of Belzona® 2121 take place after the maximum overcoating time.

When using **Belzona® 2121** 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 or Belzona® 2921 applied as outlined in section 1 (c).

Application of Belzona® 2121 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(c).

WHERE BELZONA® 2121 SHOULD NOT ADHERE Brush on 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.

- Transfer the entire contents of both Base and Solidifier containers into the mixing bowl.
- Immediately mix together for at least two minutes and use all material within the times shown in the table below:-

Temperature	41°F (5°C)	59°F (15°C)	77°F (25°C)	86°F (30°C)
Use all material within	25 min	20 min	10 min	6 min

**VOLUME CAPACITY OF MIXED BELZONA® 2121** 27.95 cu.in. (458 cm<sup>3</sup>) per 500g unit.

### 3. APPLYING BELZONA® 2121

# FOR BEST RESULTS Do not apply when:-

- The temperature is below 41°F (5°C) or the relative humidity is above 90%.
- ii) Rain, snow, fog or mist is present.
- There is moisture on the surface or is likely to be deposited by subsequent condensation.
- iv) The working environment is likely to be contaminated by oil/grease from adjacent equipment or smoke from kerosene heaters or tobacco smoking.
- a) Apply the Belzona® 2121 to the conditioned surface with a stiff bristled brush or the plastic applicator provided, to give a coverage rate of 9.8 sq.ft. (0.91 m²) at 20 mil (500 microns) thickness.
- Apply a second coat of Belzona® 2121 as above following the overcoating instructions in Section 6.

#### **NOTES:**

#### 1. DIFFERENTIATION BETWEEN LAYERS

**Belzona® 2121** is available in red and black, to facilitate application and to prevent misses. In service the colour of the applied product may change.

#### 2. CLEANING

Mixing tools should be cleaned <u>immediately after use</u> with **Belzona® 9111** or any other effective solvent e.g. MEK. Brushes, injection guns and other 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® 2121** to solidify as below before subjecting it to the conditions indicated:

	Movement or use involving no loading or immersion	Full mechanical or thermal loading	Immersion in chemicals
41°F/ 5°C 50°F/10°C 59°F/15°C 68°F/20°C 77°F/25°C 86°F/30°C	6 hours 4 hours 3 hours 2 hours 1½ hours 1 hour	3 days 2 days 2 days 1 day 1 day 1 day	5 days 3½ days 3 days 2½ days 2 days 1½ days

#### 5. STORAGE

Store in a dry environment between 41°F (5°C) and 77°F (25°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.

**NOTE: Belzona® 2911** has an 18 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.

#### 6. OVERCOATING

Application of subsequent layers of **Belzona® 2121** can be carried out up to 3 days after the previous application without need of any surface treatment other than removal of contamination.

Overcoating of aged or weathered **Belzona® 2121** is possible at any time after initial application, provide that the surface preparation techniques for flexible surfaces described in Section 1 are employed.

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION**

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

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