

PART 1 – GENERAL

The work shall consist of furnishing and installing a high performance, closed cell preformed seal in accordance with the details shown on the plans and the requirements of the specifications.

Manufacturer shall have a minimum ten (10) years experience specializing in the design and manufacture of closed cell foam expansion control systems.

1.01 QUALITY CONTROL:

Manufacturer shall be ISO-9001:2000 certified and shall provide written confirmation that a formal Quality management System and Quality Processes have been adopted in the areas of, (but not limited to) Engineering, Manufacturing, Quality Control and Customer Service for all processes, products and their components. Alternate manufacturer's will be considered provided they submit written proof that they are ISO 9001:2000 certified prior to the project bid date.

PART 2 – PRODUCT

2.02 MANUFACTURER:

- A. Prospec Specialties Inc.
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Markham ON L3R 0M3
Canada
- B. Substitution: Not permitted.

2.03 MATERIALS:

Provide IAS Series Exterior Foam Seal System manufactured as:

Impermeable closed-cell, low density, resilient, non-extrude-able, nitrogen blown polyethylene foam material with carbon black added as a U.V. stabilizer. Bridge/Parking joint seal shall be held in place by a two component 100% solids epoxy adhesive. The design of the seal shall be capable of accommodating movement and variations in joint widths through compression and tension of its shape. Enhanced Surface Preparation (E.S.P.) shall be grooves 1/8" (3mm) wide by 1/8" deep (3mm) and spaced between 1/4" (6mm) to 1/2" (13mm) apart and run along the entire length of the bond surfaces of the seal to ensure an effective and quality surface for adhesion. Provide seal profile that satisfies project requirements including movement and water tightness. Install all components utilizing manufacturer's recommended adhesive for complete installation.

2.04 COMPONENTS

The Contractor shall furnish a manufacturer's certification that the materials proposed will meet the requirements as set forth in the specification.

- A. Joint Seal Profile:

The seals shall be manufactured of low density closed cell Polyethylene material exhibiting the physical properties listed in the table below:

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES	TEST METHOD	REQUIREMENT
Elongation at break	ASTM D3575; Suffix: T	175% avg.
Tensile Strength, psi (kPa)	ASTM D3575; Suffix: T	101 psi min.
Tear Resistance	ASTM D624	16.0 lbs/inch min.
Density	ASTM D3575; Suffix: W, Method A	2.12 lbs/ft ³ avg.
Water Absorption	ASTM D3575; Suffix: L	0.03 lbs/ft ² avg.
Weather / Deterioration	AASHTO T42 Accelerated Weathering	No deterioration
Compression Set 25% compression for 22 hrs@ 73°F (23°C) 24 hrs recovery 25% compression for 22 hrs@ 73°F (23°C) 24 hrs recovery	ASTM D3575; Suffix: B	9% set 3.6% set
Extrusion (specimen compressed 60% of original thickness with 3 restrained sides)	ASTM D545	Extrusion on free side does not exceed 0.25 inches (6.4mm)
Operating Temperature	In House	212°F (100°C) max.
Movement Range Compression Tension Shear (Horizontal & Vertical)	In House	50% 25% 50%±

B. Adhesive:

The low density, closed cell, cross-linked, nitrogen blown polyethylene seal shall be installed utilizing a 100% solids two component moisture insensitive modified epoxy adhesive which meets ASTM C-881 Type I & II Grade 2 Class B & C and the requirements of the properties listed below:

Properties (uncured):

	Part A	Part B	Mixed
Color (Beige or Grey):	White	Grey	Grey
Shelf Life	2 Years	2 Years	
Mixing ratio (By Vol)	3	1	3:1
Specific Gravity	1.47	1.15	
Density (lbs/gal) @ 77°F (25°C)	12.0 +/- 0.5	9.7 +/- 0.2	11.6 +/- 0.2
Viscosity (cps) @ 77°F (25°C)	35,000	33,000	26,000
Pot Life (200 gms)			32-36 minutes
Initial Set @ 77°F			1 ½ - 2 Hours
Initial Cure			8-12 Hours
Full Chemical Cure			7 days

Properties after Cure:

TEST	TEST METHOD	REQUIREMENT
Compressive Strength	ASTM D695	7000 psi
Tensile Strength	ASTM D638	3500 psi
Elongation at Break	ASTM D638	3-5%
Shore D hardness	ASTM D2250	85±5
Water Absorption	ASTM D570	0.25%
Bond Strength	ASTM C-882	430 psi min
Lap Shear		2000 psi min

Ambient temperature as low as 20F, Eva-Pox Cold Cure Bonder is available and meets ASTM C-881, Type II Grade 2 Class A

For applications in which standing salt-water is present, utilize Prospec under Water Bonder #47.

PART 3 – CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall submit product information and necessary details after the award of the contract. At the discretion of the Engineer, the manufacturer may be required to furnish a representative sample of material to be supplied in accordance with the project specifications. Where indicated and noted on the contract plans, install bridge joint seals in a neat and workmanlike manner. All surfaces to receive bridge deck joint seal shall be free from dirt, water and any other loose foreign debris, which may be detrimental to effective joint sealing.

Measure the joint opening width. The low density closed cell material should be sized 25% larger than the joint opening at near neutral but never less than 10% oversized or greater than 35% oversized. The seal profile shall be cut to the correct length for installation. Care should be taken to extend the profile to its full length, without exerting any tension or stretching of the seal. The bond at the splice location is achieved by heat welding. Heat-welds and splices and other directional changes should be cut and made a minimum of fifteen (15) minutes prior to seal installation.

Bridge deck or parking deck joint seal shall be installed in strict accordance with the manufacturer's written instructions.

END OF SECTION