

**CERA-ROD™**

## Non-Gassing, Heat-Resistant Backer Rod

**DESCRIPTION**

CERA-ROD is a closed-cell, round, flexible, continuous-length, non-absorbent, non-gassing, non-staining and non-shrinking material extruded from a cross-linked polyethylene. Compression/deflection is approximately eight psi (55.2 KPa) at 25% deflection.

**USES**

CERA-ROD is used in joints or large cracks in Portland cement or asphalt concrete. It provides the correct sealant reservoir configuration, controls joint depth, and prevents sealant run-out through the bottom of the joint. CERA-ROD also acts as a bond-breaker to prevent bottom side sealant adhesion.

**FEATURES/BENEFITS**

- Works equally well in concrete joints/cracks or asphalt cracks.
- Use with hot-applied joint sealants ... will not melt, shrink, evaporate, or stain.
- Retains its original diameter and is non-gassing when exposed to high sealant temperatures.
- Prevents run-out through voids or bottom of the joint ... saves sealant material.
- Acts as a bond breaker to stop sealant adhesion to the bottom side of the joint.
- Fast and easy to apply.

**PACKAGING**

Cartons weigh 11 lb. (4.99 kg) each, except the 1/2" and 2" (38.1 and 50.8 mm) sizes that weigh 30 lb. (13.61 kg) each.

**SPECIFICATIONS**

- ASTM D 5249, Type 1 and Type 3

**COLOR**

Beige

**STANDARD SIZES**

Rod Diameter	Lineal Feet per Carton	Lineal Meters per Carton
3/8" (9.5 mm)	2100	640.08
1/2" (12.7 mm)	2500	762.00
5/8" (15.9 mm)	1550	472.44
7/8" (22.2 mm)	850	259.08
1" (25.4 mm)	600	182.88
1 1/4" (31.8 mm)	400	121.92
1 1/2" (38.1 mm)	396	120.70
2" (50.8 mm)	228	69.49

**APPLICATION**

**Crack and Joint Preparation ...** Remove all dirt and foreign matter.

**Application Method ...** Install CERA-ROD with a single-wheeled or three-wheeled roller,

*CONTINUED ON REVERSE SIDE...*

depending on application. Avoid stretching or puncturing the material. CERA-ROD needs to be held in compression to work effectively. The diameter of the rod should be 1/8" larger than the width of the joint for joint widths up to 3/4". For joints 3/4" and larger, add 1/4" to diameter rod selection. Applications for all hot-applied joint sealants from W. R. MEADOWS can follow immediately.

### **PRECAUTIONS**

Read and follow application information and Material Safety Data Sheet information.

### **LEED INFORMATION**

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- MR Credit 5: Regional Materials

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