SikaWrap®-900 C
CARBON FIBRE FABRIC FOR STRUCTURAL STRENGTHENING

Description
SikaWrap®-900 C is a uni-directional, fleece stabilised and stitched, heavy carbon fibre fabric for the wet application process of structural strengthening.

Where to Use
Strengthening of reinforced concrete, masonry, brick and timber structures to increase flexural and shear load capacity for:
- Prevention of defects caused by seismic events.
- Blast mitigation (accidental or terrorism).
- Improvement of seismic performance of masonry walls.
- Substitution of missing reinforcing steel.
- Increasing strength and ductility of columns.
- Increasing loading capacity of structural elements.
- Changes in building use.
- Remedyng structural design and construction defects.
- Improving serviceability.
- Structural upgrading to comply with codes or standards.

Advantages
- Multifunctional use in virtually every aspect of strengthening.
- Produced with a stabilising fleece to keep the fabric sure.
- Flexibility of surface geometry accommodates beams, columns, chimneys, piles, walls, and silos.
- Low density minimising additional weight.
- Non-corrosive.
- Alkali resistant.
- Low aesthetic impact.
- Economical compared to traditional techniques of strengthening.
- Product recognized by the British Columbia Ministry of Transportation (BC MoT).

Technical Data

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<th>Property</th>
<th>Average value¹</th>
<th>Design value²</th>
<th>ASTM Test Method</th>
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<tr>
<td>Tensile strength</td>
<td>1120 (162 x 10⁶)</td>
<td>1012 (147 x 10⁶)</td>
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<td>Tensile modulus</td>
<td>100 000 (14.5 x 10⁶)</td>
<td>94 000 (13.6 x 10⁶)</td>
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<td>Tensile elongation</td>
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<td>0.98 % (0.98 %)</td>
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<td>Ply thickness</td>
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<td>Tensile strength per inch width</td>
<td>37 kN (8313 lbf)</td>
<td>33.4 kN (7512 lbf)</td>
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¹Average values derived from test series.
²Average values minus 2 standard deviations.
³Tensile strength values represent ultimate strengths.
⁴Product properties are typically averages, obtained under laboratory conditions. Reasonable variations can be expected on-site due to local factors, including environment, preparation, application, curing and test methods.
HOW TO USE

Surface Preparation
Prepare the concrete surface by sandblasting or grinding (CSP 3 - 4 as per ICRI). Remove any dust or loose particles by means of an industrial vacuum cleaner. The surface must be clean, free from grease and oil and should be dry with the maximum substrate moisture content of < 4 % by weight.
The surface to be bonded must be level, with no irregularities or protrusion > 0.5 mm (20 mils). Larger deviations must be levelled with Sikadur®-30, extended with (mix. ratio 1:1 parts by volume) oven-dried silica sand for thicknesses over 3 mm (1/8 in).
The concrete adhesive strength must be verified following surface preparation by random pull-off testing (ACI 503R) at the engineer's discretion. Minimum tensile strength, 1.5 MPa (218 psi) with concrete substrate failure. All corners of the structure must be rounded to a radius of 20 mm (4/5 in).

Mixing
Consult Sikadur®-300 or Sikadur®-330 Product Data Sheets for information on epoxy resin.

Application
Cutting SikaWrap®
Fabric can be cut to appropriate length using commercial quality, heavy-duty scissors. Since dull or worn cutting implements can damage, weaken or fray the fibre, their use should be avoided.

Priming and Saturating
Prior to placing the fabric, prime concrete with Sikadur®-300 or Sikadur®-330 (Sikadur®-330 provides improved ‘tack’ adhesion, especially useful for overhead or similarly demanding applications). Sikadur® products may be spray, brush or roller applied. Saturate the SikaWrap®-900 C using Sikadur®-300 epoxy. For best results on larger projects, the saturation process should be accomplished using an AMI Custom Fabric Saturator or similar device. In special cases, where the size of the project does not justify the use of a saturator, the fabric may be saturated by hand using a roller or a spatula, prior to placement.

Protection and overlayment
At low temperatures and/or high relative humidity it may be longer than 12 hours for the surface may become slightly tacky (amine blush). Before laying up another layer of fabric or a coating, the tackiness must be removed. This can be accomplished by washing the surface with a wet sponge or rinsing with water. To avoid this phenomenon, use the SikaWrap® Peel Ply (please see below).
To prevent exposure of the strengthening fabric to direct sunlight, top coat with Sikagard®-550 W Elastic, Sikagard® Color A50 Lo-VOC or other acceptable product. To adhere cementitious top coat systems to the cured epoxy, apply an additional layer of epoxy (15 - 20 mils) and blind (broadcast) the surface with silica sand to promote adhesion before coating.

SikaWrap® Peel Ply
If the product needs to be overcoated either with a coating (Sikagard®, etc.) or with a extra layer of fabric passing the overlay delay, apply the SikaWrap® Peel Ply immediately after the fabric installation, in order to protect and provide a textured surface (consult SikaWrap® Peel Ply Product Data Sheet for more informations).

Limitations
- Design calculations for the SikaWrap®-900 C system must be made and certified by an independent, licensed professional engineer.
- Minimum radius for application around corners must be > 20 mm (4/5 in).
- Overlapping of the fabric in the fibre direction must be at least 200 mm (8 in)
- Side by side application of fabric requires no overlap in the weft direction.
- Overlap joints in multiple layers must be evenly positioned about the circumference of columns.
- The SikaWrap®-900 C system constitutes a vapour barrier.
- Protect the SikaWrap®-900 C system from UV using Sikagard®-550 W Elastic or a similarly compatible Sika® coating.
- Installation of the SikaWrap®-900 C system should only be performed by specially trained and Sika Canada recommended contractors.

Health and Safety Information
For information and advice on the safe handling, storage and disposal of chemical products, users should refer to the most recent SAFETY DATA SHEET containing physical, ecological, toxicological and other safety-related data.

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