

SikaBond®-T53

High viscosity (thixotropic) elastic timber flooring adhesive

Positioning Description

SikaBond-T53 is a one-component polyurethane adhesive for direct elastic bonding of timber floors. The adhesive cures on exposure to atmospheric moisture.

Uses

Cordon Application:

- The laying system for 3-ply engineered wood as well as chipboards.
- Elastic Bonding of skirting boards / baseboards and thresholds.

Sika® AcouBond®-System:

- The laying system for 3-ply engineered wood as well as chipboards. For detailed application instructions refer to the Sika AcouBond System Product data sheet, or contact the Sika Technical Department.

Full Surface Bonding:

- The laying system for solid and engineered wood floors (strips, longstrips, planks, panels, boards), mosaic parquet, industrial parquet, wood paving (residential) as well as chipboards.

Advantages

- One-component, ready to use.
- Fast curing.
- Elastic, footfall-sound-dampening adhesive.
- Suitable for common types of wood floors.
- Especially for problematic wood such as beech and bamboo.
- Suitable for bonding wood floors directly onto old ceramic tiles.
- Reduces stress on the substrate: the elastic, material-compatible adhesive reduces transverse stress between the wood floor and the substrate.
- Compensation of small substrate unevenness.
- Suitable for subfloor heating.

Product Data

Form

Colour: Beige

Packaging: 600ml sausage (20 sausages per box)

Storage & Shelf Life: Twelve (12) months from date of production when stored in undamaged original sealed packaging in dry conditions and protected from direct sunlight at temperatures between +10°C and +25°C.

Technical Data

Chemical basis: One-component, moisture-curing polyurethane

Density: 1.2kg/litre

Skinning / Laying Time: ~ 45 – 60 minutes (+23°C / 50% r.h.)

Curing Rate: ~ 3.0 mm / 24h (+23°C / 50% r.h.)

Floor may be walked on / sanded 18 – 42 hours after installation (depending on climatic conditions and adhesive layer thickness).

Sag Flow:

Consistency

Spreads easily, trowel marks stable. Easily applied with a gun.

Service Temperature: -40°C to +70°C



Mechanical / Physical Properties

Shear Strength:	~ 1.2 N/mm ² , 1 mm adhesive thickness (+23°C / 50% r.h.) DIN 281
Tensile Strength:	~ 1.8 N/mm ² (+23°C / 50% r.h.) DIN 53 504
Shore A Hardness:	~ 40 (after 28 days) DIN 53 505
Elongation at break:	~ 500% (+23°C / 50% r.h.) DIN 53 504

System Information

Application Details

Adhesive Consumption

Cordon Application:

- Approx. 44 ml per running metre = 200 – 400 g/m², dependent on cordon interval (3-ply engineered wood, chipboards).

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- 500 – 600 g/m² (400 – 500 ml/m²). All cut-outs must be filled. Apply adhesive in an 8mm wide x 10mm high triangular bead.

Full Surface Bonding:

- 700 – 900 g/m² (550 – 700 ml/m²) with notched trowel B3 (acc. To IVK guidelines) or 3/16" 1/8" 1/8" (engineered strips / planks, mosaic parquet).
- 800 – 1000 g/m² (600 – 750 ml/m²) with notched trowel B11 (acc. To IVK guidelines) AP 48 or 3/16" 3/16" 3/16" (solid wood, engineered longstrips / panels, industrial parquet, wood paving (residential), chipboards).

For bonding of long, wide boards or in case of uneven substrate it could be necessary to use a notched trowel with bigger notches (to avoid hollow sections).

For substrates prepared with Sika Primer MB, the consumption of SikaBond-T53 is lower.

Substrate Quality

- Substrates must be clean, dry, homogeneous, even, and free from grease, dust and loose particles.
- Paint, laitance and other poorly adhering particles must be removed.
- Standard construction rules must be observed.

Substrate Preparation

Concrete / Cement Screed

- Must be ground and thoroughly cleaned with industrial vacuum cleaner.

Glazed Ceramic and Old Ceramic Tiles

- Degrease, clean with Sika Cleaner 205 or grind the tile surface and clean thoroughly with an industrial vacuum cleaner.

Wood / Gypsum Boards (e.g. Chipboards, Plywood)

- The sheets have to be fixed to the substrate by gluing/screwing.

Unknown Substrates

- Please contact our technical department.

SikaBond-T53 can be used without priming on cement floors, chipboards, concrete and ceramic tiles.

For cement floors with an excessive moisture content, substrates with residues of previous adhesives and on structurally weak substrates use Sika Primer MB. For detailed instructions consult the Product data sheet for Sika Primer MB or contact our Technical Department.

Application Conditions / Limitations

Substrate Temperature

During laying and until SikaBond-T53 has fully cured, substrate temperature must be > +15°C and in case of floor heating < +20°C.

Ambient Temperature

Room temperature between +15°C and +35°C.

Substrate Humidity

Permissible substrate moisture content

- 2.5% CM for cement screed (ca. 4% Tramex / Gravimetric weight percent)
- 0.5% CM for anhydrite screed
- 3-12% CM for magnesia flooring (proportion of organic parts)

Permissible substrate moisture content in case of floor heating

- 1.8% CM for cement screed (ca. 4% Tramex / Gravimetric weight percent)
- 0.3% CM for anhydrite screed
- 3-12% CM for magnesia flooring (proportion of organic parts)

For moisture content and quality of substrates the guidelines of the wood floor manufacturer as well as standard construction rules must be observed.



Relative Air Humidity Between 40% and 70%.

Application Instructions

Application Method / Tools

Cordon Application:

- Extrude a triangular shaped cordon of adhesive approximately 10mm high and 8mm wide at 100-250mm centres (dependent on wood floor type) on the properly prepared subfloor. Press the wood floor elements firmly into the adhesive (at right angles to the adhesive cordons). The elements can then be pressed firmly together using a hammer and an impact block. Provide a gap between the wall and the wood floor as specified in the laying instructions from the wood floor manufacturer.

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- For detailed application instructions consult the Product Data Sheet of the Sika AcouBond-System, or contact the Sika Technical Department.

Full Surface Bonding:

- SikaBond-T53 is applied to the properly prepared substrate directly from the sausage and uniformly distributed by notched trowel. Press the wood floor elements firmly into the adhesive so that the underside is fully wetted. The elements can then be pressed firmly together using a hammer and an impact block. A gap of 10-15mm from the wall to the wood floor is required.

Cleaning Clean all tools and application equipment with Sika Remover-208 immediately after use. Hardened / cured material can only be removed mechanically.

Pot life ~ 45 minutes.

Notes on Application /

- Wood floor adhesives must only be used by experienced applicators.
- The substrate temperature and air temperature limitations detailed above may be varied in accordance with the written recommendations of the supplier of the timber flooring, however SikaBond-T53 shall only be used at temperatures between +5°C and +35°C.
- For better workability the adhesive temperature should be at least +15°C.
- For the proper curing of the adhesive sufficient ambient moisture is necessary.
- *For AcouBond-System and Cordon Application accurate tongues and grooves (min. 3x3 mm) are required:*
 - Minimum wood size: length: board must span over at least 3 adhesive cordons
width: > 50 mm
thickness: > 12 mm
 - Maximum wood size: thickness: < 28 mm
- Wood floor installation in areas without a damp proof membrane can only be undertaken with moisture regulator Sikafloor-EpoCem and Sika Primer MB as a vapour barrier. For detailed instructions consult the Product Data Sheets or contact our Technical Service Department.
- In case of chemically pre-treated types of wood floors (e.g. ammonia, wood stain, timber preservative) and woods with high oil content SikaBond-T53 is only to be used after a written recommendation from our Technical Department.
- Do not use on PE, PP, Teflon, and certain plasticized synthetic materials (carry out pre-trials or contact our Technical Department).

Local Restrictions Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the performance of this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact description of the application fields.

Notes All technical data stated in this product data sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

Health & Safety Information

Safety Precautions

- To avoid rare allergic reactions, we recommend the use of protective gloves. Change soiled work clothes and wash hands before breaks and after finishing work.
- Local regulations as well as health and safety advice on packaging labels must be observed.
- For further information refer to the Sika Material Safety Data Sheet which is available on request.



Important Notes

- Residues of material must be removed according to local regulations. Fully cured material can be disposed of as household waste under agreement with the responsible local authorities.
- Detailed health and safety advice as well as detailed precautionary measures e.g. physical, toxicological and ecological data can be obtained from the safety data sheet.

Transport

SikaBond T53 is classed as non-hazardous for transportation.

Legal Notes

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