105 Epoxy Resin® / 205 Fast Hardener®

General description
105/205 Epoxy is used for general coating and bonding applications at lower temperatures and to produce a rapid cure that develops its physical properties quickly at room temperature.

105/205 forms a high-strength, moisture-resistant solid with excellent bonding and barrier coating properties. It will wet out and bond to wood fiber, fiberglass, reinforcing fabrics, foam and other composite materials, and a variety of metals. 105/205 Epoxy can be thickened with WEST SYSTEM fillers to bridge gaps and fill voids and can be sanded and shaped when cured. With roller applications, it has excellent thin-film characteristics, allowing it to flow out and self-level without “fish-eyeing.” Multiple coats of 105/205 Epoxy create a superior moisture barrier and a tough, stable base for paints and varnishes. It is formulated without volatile solvents resulting in a very low VOC content. It has a relatively high flash point, no strong solvent odor and does not shrink after curing. It is not intended for clear coating natural finished wood.

Handling characteristics
Mix ratio by volume (300 Mini Pump ratio) 5 parts resin : 1 part hardener
Mix viscosity (at 72°F) ASTM D-2393 975 cps
Pot life (100g at 72°F) 9 to 12 minutes
Working time, thin film* 60 to 70 minutes
Cure to a solid, thin film* 6 to 8 hours
Cure to working strength 1 to 4 days
Minimum recommended temperature 40°F (4°C)

*Epoxy cures faster at higher temperatures and in thicker applications.

Physical properties of cured epoxy
Specific gravity 1.18
Hardness (Shore D) ASTM D-2240 83
Compression yield ASTM D-695 11,400 psi
Tensile strength ASTM D638 7,900 psi
Tensile elongation ASTM D-638 3.4%
Tensile modulus ASTM D-638 4,08E+05
Flexural strength ASTM D-790 14,100 psi
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Heat deflection temperature ASTM D-648 118°F
Onset of Tg by DSC 129°F
Ultimate Tg 142°F
Annular shear fatigue @ 100,000 cycles 10,600 lb

Storage/Shelf life
Store at room temperature. Keep containers closed to prevent contamination. With proper storage, resin and hardeners should remain usable for many years. After a long storage, verify the metering accuracy of the pumps. Mix a small test batch to assure proper curing.

Over time, 105 Resin will thicken slightly and will therefore require extra care when mixing. Repeated freeze/thaw cycles during storage may cause crystallization of 105 Resin. Warm resin to 125°F and stir to dissolve crystals. Hardener may darken with age, but physical properties are not affected by color. Be aware of a possible color shift if very old and new hardener are used on the same project.