

Fixfast has provided quality products and reliable service for over 40 years.

We have always focused on a very specific market, designing, manufacturing, and supplying fasteners and components for the walls and roofs of industrial, commercial and larget residential buildings.

We provide our customers with a broad range of products that have been specifically chosen to service them with the highest level of reliability.

Fixfast's collaborative approach and desire to help create successful buildings means that we have become well respected in the market, forging trustworthy relationships with major industry players.

First class service

Our staff are trained to know all about the products they sell, so they can help you with useful advice and answer any technical queries you may have. We think you'll enjoy the experience of purchasing from Fixfast as our number one focus is to provie maximum reliability with minimum fuss.



Manufacturing

Over the past 40 years, Fixfast has fine-tuned our product ranges to ensure each item serves its purpose in the best way possible.

Our team has built up the resources for both innovative and well-proven designs, with close monitoring systems ensuring reliable quality and efficiency through state-of-the art manufacturing to unique specifications.

Our Facade Support Systems are carefully selected and manufactured according to our exact specifications, to ensure that customers receive the highest quality components.

Quality Assurance

ISO Accredited.

Fixfast have ISO accreditations for 9001 for quality assurance, 14001 for environmental management, and BS OHSAS 18001 for occupational health and safety. We are very aware of the ever-increasing drive towards higher quality, best practice and better working conditions, as we do every possible to promote this.





Trained and experienced technicians

Every construction project, particularly on existing buildings, holds surprises. If you're unsure how the materials you're fixing into will respond to the stresses being put on them, we can carry out the necessary tests to put your mind as ease. Fixfast's technical support staff are highly trained, experienced at knowing what tests to carry out and how to read them. For example, where you're fixing into old materials, we can conduct pullout tests and provide you with a detailed report showing exactly how a given Fixfast product will perform in the circumstances.

Wind load calculations

Wind can put considerable force on a structure and there are many things that can affect that force and how the installation handles it. Location, height, the size and shape of the building, whether the openings are large or small, the type of surrounding landscape and more.

Leaving façade fixing and support to chance is a big risk, and over specifying for safety can cost valuable money for the contractor or client.

Fortunately, there are UK specific European regulations which detail exactly how to arrive at a safe fixing pattern, but they are technically very complex.

The technical support team at Fixfast can carry out wind load calculations for projects using rainscreens and facades, providing results for the mechanical fixing of the support system, the rainscreen, or both. The calculation report is clear and comprehensive, showing fixing patterns for each component. All calculations are in accordance with Eurocode 1991-1-4 and use data from testing according to ETAG 006 and EN 16002:2010.



Site visits

Fixfast are committed to exceptional onsite support. Whether it is offering advice, testing to ensure the correct products are used, or producing reports confirming these details, you can be sure that your requirement will be attended to quickly and efficiently. Our trained onsite support team is available to visit you at short notice, and will quickly produce a comprehensive report.



SikaTack panel adhesive system

The SikaTack®-Panel System is an adhesive system for the economic, concealed fixing of ventilated façade panels. The system consists of the elastic adhesive SikaTack®-Panel, the double sided SikaTack®-Panel fixing tape and pre-treatment products. With the SikaTack®-Panel System, façade panels are invisibly attached to their normal substructures.

Applications and features

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Concealed bonded fixing of ventilated façade panels for:

- Residential and commercial buildings
- New build and renovation projects
- Interior finishing works

Features

- 1-part products, ready to use
- Economical for rapid fixing
- Uniform tension over the whole façade panel (no stress points)
- Resistant to weathering and ageing
- Vibration and movement absorbing fixing system
- Provides creative opportunities for façade design
- Good looking, easy to maintain façade surface
- Silicone free

Tests / Approvals / Standards

Approval from "Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik" Berlin, Reg. No.: Z-10.8-408. Note: Panels have to be pre-tested to confirm their suitability. Our Technical Department can assist in this evaluation.

System components

1. ST panel abrasive pads for abrasing the surface before applying primer



2. ST panel cleaner for cleaning the surface to ensure perfect ahesion



3. ST panel primer to coat the surface and provide a key to the panel ahesive and tape



4. ST panel tape
First part of the two-part ahesive system



5. ST panel adhesive

Available in 600ml sausages and is the second part of the adhesion system, applied in a triangular shaped bead.



For detailed application instructions, please contact Fixfast customer service.

Sika cleaner & primer

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION				
Uses	Cleaning and bonding agents to optimise adhe	Cleaning and bonding agents to optimise adhesion.		
PRODUCT DATA				
Form	Sika® Aktivator-205 (Sika® Cleaner-205)	SikaTack®-Panel Primer		
Colour	Clear, colourless	Black		
Packaging	1000ml 250ml	1000ml		
STORAGE				
	Sika® Aktivator-205 (Sika® Cleaner-205)	SikaTack®-Panel Primer		
Storage Conditions		From date of production if stored in undamaged original sealed containers, in dry conditions and protected from direct sunlight at temperatures between +10°C and 25°C.		
Shelf Life	12 months	9 months		
TECHNICAL DATA				
	Sika® Aktivator-205 (Sika® Cleaner-205)	SikaTack®-Panel Primer		
Chemical Base	Bonding agent in alcohol solution.	Solvent containing pigmented epoxy resin		
Density	0.80 kg/l	1.00 kg/l		
Flash Point	+12°C	-4°C		
APPLICATION CONDITIONS / LIM	MITATIONS			
	Sika® Aktivator-205 (Sika® Cleaner-205)	SikaTack®-Panel Primer		
Ambient Temperature	+5°C min. / +35°C max.	+5°C min. / +35°C max.		

SikaTack adhesive

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION		
Uses	1-part adhesive for the SikaTack®-Panel System.	
PRODUCT DATA		
Colour	Ivory	
Packaging	300 ml cartridges 600 ml sausages	
STORAGE		
Storage Conditions / Shelf Life	9 months from date of production if stored properly in undamaged original sealed containers in dry conditions and protected from direct sunlight at temperatures between +10°C and +25°C.	
TECHNICAL DATA		
Chemical Base	1-part polyurethane, moisture curing.	
Density	1.18 kg/l (DIN 53 479)	
Skinning- / Laying Time	20 min. (+23° C / 50r. h.)	
Curing Rate	3 mm / 24h (+23°C / 50 r. h.)	
Service Temperature	-40°C to +90°C	
Building-Material Class	B2 DIN 4102 part 1	
MECHANICAL / PHYSICAL PROPERTIES		
Ultimate Shear Strength	~ 2.00 Mpa - See Maximum Permissible Strengths on Page 6	
Ultimate Tensile Strength	~ 2.50 Mpa – See Maximum Permissible Strengths on Page 6	
APPLICATION CONDITIONS / LIMITATIONS		
Ambient Temperature	+5°C min. / +35°C max.	

SikaTack panel tape

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION					
Uses	A double sided self adhesive fixing tape used for the initial fixing of façade panels (until the adhesive has cured and also to ensure that the minimum thickness of the SikaTack®-Panel adhesive is 3 mm.				
PRODUCT DATA					
Colour	Anthracite				
Packaging	33 m per roll				
STORAGE					
Storage Conditions / Shelf Life	24 months from date of production if stored properly in undamaged original sealed containers in dry conditions and protected from direct sunlight at temperatures between +10°C and +25°C.				
TECHNICAL DATA	<u>'</u>				
Chemical Base	Closed cell polyethylene foam.	Closed cell polyethylene foam.			
Density	0.064 kg / l	0.064 kg / l			
Thickness	12mm	12mm			
Dimension	3.3 mm (+ 0.2 mm)	3.3 mm (+ 0.2 mm)			
Service Temperature	-40°C to +70°C				
MECHANICAL / PHYSICAL PROPERT	ES				
	Deflection	Compressive Strength (ISO 844)			
Compressive Strength	10%	22 kPa			
Compressive careingan	25%	47 kPa			
	50%	120 kPa			
Shear Strength	> 150 hours (1 kg / 25 x 25 mm) (FTM 2)	> 150 hours (1 kg / 25 x 25 mm) (FTM 2)			
Tensile Strength	MD 25 N / 15 mm, CD 20 N / 15 mm (DIN 53	MD 25 N / 15 mm, CD 20 N / 15 mm (DIN 53 455)			
Elongation at Break	MD 250%, CD 150% (DIN 53 455)	MD 250%, CD 150% (DIN 53 455)			
Peel Strength	> 23 N / 25 mm (180°C - 30 min.) on stainles	> 23 N / 25 mm (180°C - 30 min.) on stainless steel (FTM 1)			
Important	Long-term strength is provided by the SikaTack-Panel adhesive. Do not include the mechanical values of the tape in the calculation of the long term strength required. The tape must be applied onto the full length of the substructure.				
APPLICATION CONDITIONS / LIMITAT					
Ambient Temperature	+10°C min. / +35°C max.				

Application Details

CONSUMPTION / DOSAGE	Material	Application	Consumption		
	SikaTack®-Panel Cartridge 300 ml Sausage 600 ml	Triangular bead 8 x 10mm	~ 44 ml / m, corresponds to 6.5 m / cartridge or 13 m / sausage		
	Sika® Aktivator-205 (Sika® Cleaner-205) 250 ml bottle 1000 ml bottle	Width 50 mm	~ 3.5 ml / m, corresponds to ~ 71 m / 250 ml bottle to ~285 m / 1000 ml bottle		
	SikaTack®-Panel Primer 1000 ml bottle	Width 50 mm	~ 8 ml / m, corresponds to ~125 m / 1000 ml bottle		
	SikaTack®-Panel Fixing Tape, Roll 33 m		1 m/m		
SUBSTRATE QUALITY	Clean and dry, homogeneous, even, free from oils and grease, dust and loose or friable particles. Paint, laitance and other poorly adhering particles must be removed. Standard construction rules must be observed.				
Substrate Temperature	For 5 hours after mounting, the temperature should not fall below the minimum temperature of +5°C.				
Ambient Temperature	+5°C min. / +35°C max.				
Material Temperature	The temperature of the building components to be bonded (cladding panels, sub structure etc.) must be at least 3°C higher than the dew point temperature of the air in order to avoid the formation of condensation on the surfaces.				
Substrate Humidity	Dry, wood moisture content < 14%.				
Relative Air Humidity	Max. 75%				

Whether you're at the feasibility design stage or through to final specification and tender, our comprehensive service and technical support is designed to help you.

Engineering-led approach

Each rainscreen support system is customised to your specific requirements. Based on the location and structure of your building, our in-house technical team will undertake substrate and wind load calculations to determine the exact support system you require. We can give you the technical datasheets and CAD files you need to be sure of delivering safe, secure and durable rainscreens.

We support architects and engineers with our specification team who will make life simple by writing specific NBS specifications and providing other relevant information for each project.

Simplified installation

We optimise your support system to match with the outer skin of your rainscreen design, and make installation as straightforward as possible. We can provide fasteners in any colour to blend in or stand out, with low profile options available. The end result is a system configured specifically to your project and easily installed by your on-site team, so you can move on to the next job sooner.



You can contact us at any stage of your project. The earlier you involve our technical team, the more we can help.

Get in touch

We will ask you to share a few important details of your proposed project with us, including:

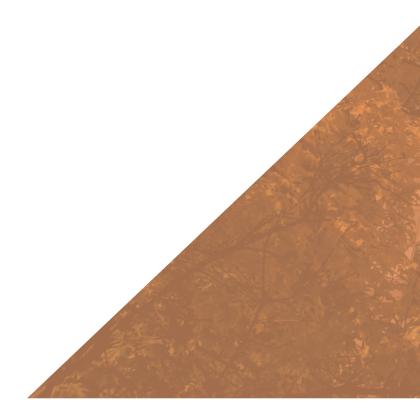
- Building plans/elevations for the rainscreen
- · Substrate material and thickness
- Your chosen face panels
- Your chosen insulation
- Your preferred bar profile for the substructure

Using the information you provide and our extensive test data, our expert team will undertake wind load and substrate calculations to determine the optimal rainscreen support system for your application. Where required, we will carry out on-site pull tests to confirm the structural suitability of your chosen system with the available substrate.

Speak with us about your rainscreen project today:

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