

# Belzona® 2311

(SR ELASTOMER)



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

### 1. TO ENSURE AN EFFECTIVE MOLECULAR WELD

#### a) SURFACE PREPARATION

##### (i) Metallic Surfaces

Remove all loose surface contamination and degrease with **Belzona® 9111** (Cleaner/Degreaser) or any other effective cleaner which does not leave a residue eg. methyl ethyl ketone (MEK).

Grit blast to a minimum 3 mil (75 microns) profile. Where blasting is not practical, thorough mechanical grinding may be considered, except for applications involving tensile loads, such as expansion joints, and all applications involving immersion and/or fluid flow.

##### (ii) Flexible Surfaces (e.g. rubbers)

**NOTE:** **Belzona® 9111** can draw processing oils and waxes to the surface of some rubbers, particularly when new, which then impairs adhesion of **Belzona® 2311**. Test for this on a small area. If, on rubbing with a rag moistened with **Belzona® 9111**, a greasy film appears, the surface should not be degreased, but simply abraded.

Undercut fine edges with a sharp knife and scuff the surface with a rotary wire brush or suitable roughing tool.

- b) Brush away loose contamination and degrease again with **Belzona® 9111**.
- c) Immediately, apply a thin, even coat of **Belzona® 2911** or **Belzona® 2921** (Elastomer QD Conditioner or Elastomer GP Conditioner) onto the surface. A brush should be used as a stipple to ensure a practical coverage rate of 13 sq.ft (1.25 m<sup>2</sup>) per unit, on steel and most metallic substrates. On well roughened rubber substrates this could be reduced by as much as 50%

The **Belzona®** Conditioner must be touch dry before overcoating with **Belzona® 2311**. This will depend on the **Belzona®** Conditioner selected, prevailing temperature, relative humidity and substrate.

At 68°F (20°C) and 50% relative humidity, the touch dry state will be achieved after the times given below when applied to a steel surface. These times may be extended when applied to rubber substrates.

Conditioner	Touch Dry	Max. Overcoating
<b>Belzona® 2911</b>	30 min.	4 hours

Under no circumstances should application of **Belzona® 2311** take place after the maximum overcoating time.

When using **Belzona® 2311** to overcoat a surface which has been treated with a **Belzona® 1000** Series product (except **Belzona® 1221** (Super E-Metal), the **Belzona® 1000** Series product must first be allowed to fully cure, the surface prepared as outlined in section 1 (a) (i), and **Belzona® 2911** applied as outlined in section 1 (c).

Application of **Belzona® 2311** over **Belzona® 1221** can be carried out up to 4 hours after the application of **Belzona® 1221** without the need for abrading and reconditioning.

#### WHERE BELZONA® 2311 SHOULD NOT ADHERE

Brush on a thin layer of **Belzona® 9411** (Release Agent) and allow to dry for 15 - 20 minutes before proceeding to step 2.

### 2. COMBINING THE REACTIVE COMPONENTS

**N.B. All application tools and equipment should be readily to hand as, from the commencement of mixing, the material will solidify within minutes.**

- a) Cut off one end of both the Base and Solidifier sachets as close as possible to the seal.
- b) Using the straight edge of a mixing spatula or another suitable mixing tool squeeze out the contents onto a suitable working surface.
- c) Mix the two components thoroughly to achieve a uniform material free of any streakiness.

#### NOTES:

##### 1. WORKING LIFE

From the commencement of mixing, **Belzona® 2311** must be used within the times shown below:

Temperature	41°F (5°C)	59°F (15°C)	77°F (25°C)
Use all material within	6 min.	4 min.	2 min.

##### 2. VOLUME CAPACITY OF MIXED BELZONA® 2311

4.1 cu.in. (66.5 cm<sup>3</sup>) per 75 g unit.

### 3. APPLYING THE BELZONA® 2311

#### FOR BEST RESULTS

##### Do not apply when:-

- (i) The temperature is below 41°F(5°C) or the relative humidity is above 90%.
- (ii) Rain, snow, fog or mist is present.
- (iii) There is moisture on the surface or is likely to be deposited by subsequent condensation.
- (iv) The working environment is likely to be contaminated by oil/grease from adjacent equipment or smoke from kerosene heaters or tobacco smoking.

- a) Apply the **Belzona® 2311** to the prepared surface with the plastic applicator or spatula provided. Press down firmly to remove entrapped air and to ensure maximum contact with the surface.
- b) Immediately contour the **Belzona® 2311** to the correct profile with the plastic applicator. Alternatively, press a sheet of polyethylene on to the **Belzona® 2311** and remove it once the **Belzona® 2311** has cured.

#### CLEANING

Mixing and application tools should be cleaned immediately after use with **Belzona® 9111** or any other effective solvent e.g. MEK. Brushes, injection guns, spray equipment and other application tools should be cleaned using a suitable solvent such as **Belzona® 9121**, MEK, acetone or cellulose thinners.

### 4. REINFORCING THE BELZONA® 2311

Stipple **Belzona® 9341** (Reinforcing Tape) into the uncured **Belzona® 2311**. Overcoat with further **Belzona® 2311**.

### 5. COMPLETION OF THE MOLECULAR REACTION

Allow **Belzona® 2311** to solidify as below before subjecting it to the conditions indicated:

	Movement or use involving no loading or immersion	Full mechanical or thermal loading	Immersion in chemicals
41°F/ 5°C	60 minutes	4 hours	2 days
50°F/10°C	40 minutes	2 hours	1½ days
59°F/15°C	30 minutes	1½ hours	1 day
68°F/20°C	25 minutes	1 hour	18 hours
77°F/25°C	20 minutes	50 minutes	15 hours
86°F/30°C	15 minutes	40 minutes	12 hours

### 6. STORAGE

Store in a dry environment at a temperature between 41°F (5°C) and 77°F (25°C).

After prolonged storage, or inadvertent storage below 41°F (5°C), the components may feel stiffer than normal. They can be restored to normal by warming to 104°F (40°C) and kneading between the fingers.

**NOTE:** **Belzona® 2911** has an 18 month shelf life from date of manufacture when stored at 41 - 77°F (5 - 25°C) and must be used before the stated "use by" date.

### 7. OVERCOATING

Application of subsequent layers of **Belzona® 2311** can be carried out up to 24 hours after the previous application without need of any surface treatment other than removal of contamination.

When overcoating aged or weathered **Belzona® 2311** the surface preparation techniques for flexible surfaces described in Section 1 must be followed.

### HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION

Please read and make sure you understand the relevant Material Safety Data Sheets.

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