INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR TUNNEL GASKETS WITH CONTACT ADHESIVE AND BRUSH

Remarks
The installation procedure described here should be understood as a guideline and could vary depending on the project requirements or local conditions.

Delivery
All sealing profiles are delivered as corner-vulcanized gaskets tailor made for the individual segments. They are packed in skidded cartons.

Preparation
Segments and gaskets have to be kept dry and free from dust, grease or oil residue. The adhesive should be stored at a temperature between +15°C and +35°C (59°F - 95°F). Avoid direct sunlight. If the adhesive is jellied due to temperatures below 15°C (41°F) it is possible to warm up the adhesive to +20°C with a water bath (no direct heat is allowed to warm up the adhesive) to be able to work with the adhesive.

Working Temperature
The adhesive can be used at temperatures up to +35°C (95°F). The adhesive pails have to be kept covered during the installation in order to avoid vaporizing of solvents and forming a skin on the surface. The adhesive has to be stirred constantly during installation. The temperature of the segment should be above +10°C avoiding condensation.

Preparation prior to Installation
Some hours prior to installation it is recommended to unpack and keep the gaskets in a position that the gasket side lengths are straight and relaxed. After transportation and storage in cold conditions (winter time) the gaskets should be unpacked and stored in warm condition at least one day prior to installation. Damp or dusty gaskets should be cleaned with Datwyler cleaner.

1 GROOVE CLEANING
The groove has to be dry and free from dust and grease or oil residue.

2 APPLYING OF ADHESIVE
The adhesive has to be applied with a brush. It has to be applied into the groove and onto the gasket areas which have contact to the groove. The adhesive should be applied equally into the groove and onto the gasket.

3 PREPARATION GASKET INSTALLATION
The gasket should be pressed into the groove. This should be done simultaneously by each worker. The gasket should be placed in the correct position with the first attempt, later corrections should be avoided.

4 PROCEDURE OF GASKET INSTALLATION
The order of the installation is as follows: First place corners and short side of the gaskets into the groove. Then place the long side of the gasket into the groove always working from the center towards the corners.

5 PRESS THE GASKET INTO THE GROOVE
The gasket will be pressed into the groove with a rubber mallet. After 3 days of storage at room temperature the bonding will reach its maximum strength.

6 FIXATION OF GASKET IN THE GROOVE
After the installation of each gasket the position of the corners should be controlled. The gasket corner should be in line with the segment corner. Also the correct positioning of the complete gasket in the groove should be checked.

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