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# ROCOL SAFE STEP™ HI-VIS & NEUTRAL SELF ADHESIVE SLIP RESISTANT SURFACES

# **Technical Data & Application Instructions**

#### **Description**

ROCOL Safe Step™ Hi-Vis & Neutral Self Adhesive Slip Resistant Surfaces comprise of a mineral coated plastic film treated on one side with a pressure sensitive adhesive, protected by a removable liner.

ROCOL Safe Step™ Hi-Vis & Neutral Self Adhesive Slip Resistant Surfaces provide a hard wearing, slip resistant surface, for application to concrete, masonry, wood, ceramic tiles and metal etc., both inside and out.

**Technical Data (Typical)** 

Pack Size: 50mm wide x 18.25m long tape Colour: Fluorescent Yellow & Clear

Mineral Particles: Aluminium Oxide

Elongation at Break: 115%

(25.4mm wide strip 7.2kg pull)

Peel Adhesion: 2.50 - 3.41kg

Break Strength per Inch Width: 7.2kg

Maximum Adhesive Bond Strength: Over 48 - 72 hours

Shelf Life: 2 years stored at 20 - 25°C in dry

conditions

Usable Temperature Range: -40 - 100 °C

UV Resistance: Good Minimum Application Temperature: Above 5 °C

Chemical Resistance: Good resistance to water, motor oil, (Incidental contact) hydraulic fluid, detergent, petrol & diesel

Suitable Application: Internal/external Product meets the Requirements for the Mil D-1795IE (ships)

following specifications: Mil W-5044C (Type IV) - walkway matting

non-slip

Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 302

Kinetic Coefficient of Friction:

(ASTM D 1894-95) Rubber Slider Leather Slider

 Dry
 1.23
 1.08

 Wet
 1.23
 1.23

 Oily
 1.39
 0.92

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All tests conducted in a controlled environment of 23+/-2  $^{\circ}$ C and 50+/- 5% relative humidity.

### **Surface Preparation**

All surfaces must be clean, dry and free from oil, grease, petrol, waxes and loosely adhered material prior to application of ROCOL Safe Step™ Hi-Vis & Neutral Self Adhesive Slip Resistant Surfaces.

**Metal:** Rust and paint should be removed to ensure proper

adhesion between the primer and the surface.

**Wood**: Should be smooth, sound and dust free.

Concrete and Masonry: Must be sound and non - crumbling, with no dust or grit

present. Very hard ultra smooth surfaces may need to be treated to provide a suitable key and all concrete

should be at least 28 days old.

#### **Application**

Priming - to achieve the best possible bond. It is recommended that the surface is first treated with **ROCOL Strong Bond** before applying the self adhesive surfaces. After priming, a drying time of at least 20 minutes should be allowed prior to laying the self adhesive surfaces.

Laying - remove the backing paper and accurately position the adhesive surface. Start laying at one end and using firm pressure work towards the other end, without trapping air bubbles. A hard rubber or wooden roller may be of assistance should there be any trapped air bubbles these can be punctured and pressed down.

Once the ROCOL Safe Step™ Hi-Vis & Neutral Self Adhesive Slip Resistant Surfaces are in place, they are immediately ready for use.

Applying ROCOL Safe Step™ Hi-Vis & Neutral Self Adhesive Slip Resistant Surfaces to difficult Surfaces.

There are some surfaces to which it may be difficult to apply ROCOL Safe Step™ Hi-Vis & Neutral Self Adhesive Slip Resistant Surfaces or some that you may be unsure as to the compatibility - for example Alkyd or Epoxy resin coatings may have "waxy" ingredients which resist adhesives bonding them, some concretes may contain "anti-freeze" or silicone additives which may repel adhesives.

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As there are so may variables it is impossible to legislate for every eventuality but as a rule of thumb, IF YOU ARE UNSURE, TEST IT!

#### A Standard Test

Routine would be to apply a piece of ROCOL Safe Step™ Hi-Vis & Neutral Self Adhesive Slip Resistant Surfaces to a clean, dry surface in a normal traffic area and leave for a minimum of 7 days - if after this time it is still securely applied, the surface should be satisfactorily compatible.

Porous surfaces - untreated concrete, bare wood, unglazed quarry tiles should be prepared as above and the surface primed with **ROCOL Strong Bond**. When applying to quarry tiles do not apply over grout. Apply **ROCOL Safe Step™ Self Adhesive Tiles** over quarry tile surfaces only.

In areas where any liquid or moisture is normally present, eg. external applications, prepare the surface with **ROCOL Strong Bond** and always apply **ROCOL Edge Sealer** (see separate Technical Data Sheets).

## Edge Fixing

To prevent the possible ingress of fluids around the edges, it is advisable to seal these with **ROCOL Edge Sealer** before use.

Using the tapered nozzles provided, apply a bead of edge sealer around the edges making sure that edge contact is made with both the substrate and the slip resistant self adhesive surface. Leave to dry for a minimum of 6 hours before putting into service.

Do not apply ROCOL Safe Step™ Hi-Vis & Neutral Self Adhesive Slip Resistant Surfaces to plasticised or vinyl floor coverings.

#### **Surface Maintenance**

It is essential that ROCOL Safe Step™ Hi-Vis & Neutral Self Adhesive Slip Resistant Surfaces are regularly cleaned to maximise anti-slip performance. Under normal conditions periodically sweeping with a stiff brush is all that should be required. For heavily soiled surfaces the use of a water based biodegradable detergent cleaner may be used in conjunction with a fibre bristled brush. After cleaning, thoroughly rinse with clean water and allow to dry before use.

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