

### **Advanced Materials**

## Araldite® AW 136H / Hardener HV 997-1

### Structural Adhesives

# Araldite<sup>®</sup> AW 136H / Hardener HV 997-1 Two component epoxy paste adhesive

### Key properties

- Lightly thixotropic
- · Good temperature resistance
- · Excellent water and humidity resistance
- Suitable for bonding metals and plastic materials

### Description

Araldite® AW 136H / Hardener HV 997-1 is a multipurpose, two component, room temperature curing paste adhesive of high strength and toughness.

It is suitable for bonding a wide variety of metals, ceramic, glass, rubber, reinforced plastics and many other materials, including bonding of metal and mineral panels to honeycomb cores for industrial and construction applications.

# Typical product data

	Araldite <sup>®</sup> AW 136H	Hardener HV 997-1	Mixed adhesive
Colour - visual (A112)*	Grey paste	Beige paste	Grey paste
Specific gravity	1.2 - 1.3	0.9 - 1.0	1.1 - 1.2
Viscosity (Pa.s)	10 - 25	Thixotropic	Thixotropic
Lap shear strength at 23 ℃ (A501)*	-	-	> 16 MPa
Pot Life (100 g at 25°C)	-	-	ca. 70 min

<sup>\*</sup> Specified data are on a regular basis analysed. Data which is described in this document as 'typical' is not analysed on a regular basis and is given for information purposes only. Data values are not guaranteed or warranted unless if specifically mentioned.

### **Processing**

### Pretreatment

The strength and durability of a bonded joint are dependant on proper treatment of the surfaces to be bonded.

At the very least, joint surfaces should be cleaned with a good degreasing agent such as acetone or other proprietary degreasing agents in order to remove all traces of oil, grease and dirt.

Low grade alcohol, gasoline (petrol) or paint thinners should never be used.

The strongest and most durable joints are obtained by either mechanically abrading or chemically etching ("pick-ling") the degreased surfaces. Abrading should be followed by a second degreasing treatment

Mix ratio	Parts by weight	Parts by volume	
Araldite® AW 136H	100	100	
Hardener HV 997-1	60	80	

Resin and hardener should be blended until they form a homogeneous mix.



### Application of adhesive

The resin/hardener mix is applied with a spatula to the pretreated and dry joint surfaces.

A layer of adhesive 0.05 to 0.10 mm thick will normally impart the greatest lap shear strength to the joint.

The joint components should be assembled and clamped as soon as the adhesive has been applied. An even contact pressure throughout the joint area will ensure optimum cure.

### Mechanical processing

Specialist firms have developed metering, mixing and spreading equipment that enables the bulk processing of adhesive.

We will be pleased to advise customers on the choice of equipment for their particular needs.

### **Equipment maintenance**

All tools should be cleaned with hot water and soap before adhesives residues have had time to cure. The removal of cured residues is a difficult and time-consuming operation.

If solvents such as acetone are used for cleaning, operatives should take the appropriate precautions and, in addition, avoid skin and eye contact.

### Typical times to minimum shear strength

Temperature	°C	10	23	40	60	100
Cure time to reach	hours	16	5	1	-	-
LSS > 1 MPa	minutes	-	-	-	20	< 5
Cure time to reach	hours	48	10	2	-	-
LSS > 10 MPa	minutes	-	-	-	30	5

LSS = Lap shear strength.

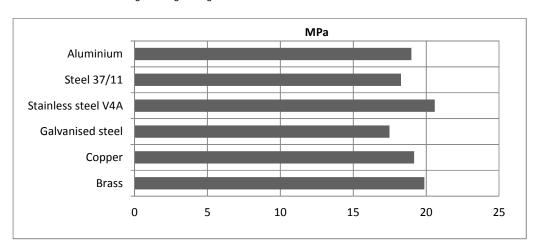
# Typical cured properties

Unless otherwise stated, the figures given below were all determined by testing standard specimens made by lapjointing  $114 \times 25 \times 1.6$  mm strips of aluminium alloy. The joint area was  $12.5 \times 25$  mm in each case.

The figures were determined with typical production batches using standard testing methods. They are provided solely as technical information and do not constitute a product specification.

### Average lap shear strengths of typical metal-to-metal joints (ISO 4587) (typical average values)

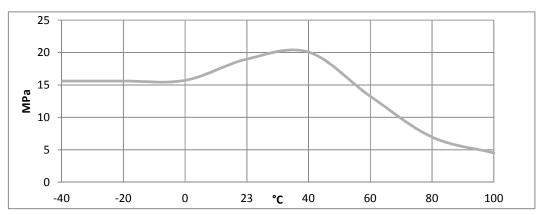
Cure: 16 hours at 40°C and test at 23°C Pretreatment - Sand blasting and degreasing





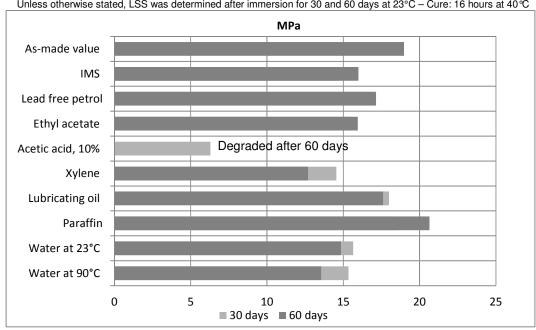
### Lap shear strength versus temperature (ISO 4587) (typical average values)

Cure: 16 hours at 40°C



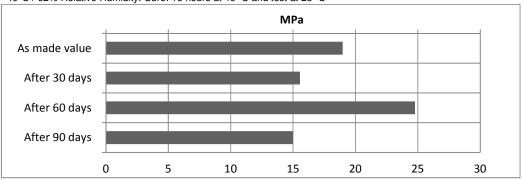
### Lap shear strength versus immersion in various media (typical average values)

Unless otherwise stated, LSS was determined after immersion for 30 and 60 days at 23°C − Cure: 16 hours at 40°C



### Lap shear strength versus tropical weathering (typical average values)

40 °C / 92% Relative Humidity. Cure: 16 hours at 40 °C and test at 23 °C





### Tensile properties (ISO 527) (typical average values)

Cure: 16 hours / 40°C

Tensile Strength 19 MPa
Tensile Modulus 1000 MPa
Elongation at break 2.7%

### Glass Transition temperature (DSC) (typical average value)

Cure: 30 min / 80 °C Midpoint: 109 °C

### Storage

Araldite<sup>®</sup> AW 136H / HV 997-1 must be stored at room temperature provided the components are stored in sealed containers. The expiry date is indicated on the label.

# Handling Precautions

#### Caution

Our products are generally quite harmless to handle provided that certain precautions normally taken when handling chemicals are observed. The uncured materials must not, for instance, be allowed to come into contact with food-stuffs or food utensils, and measures should be taken to prevent the uncured materials from coming in contact with the skin, since people with particularly sensitive skin may be affected. The wearing of impervious rubber or plastic gloves will normally be necessary; likewise the use of eye protection. The skin should be thoroughly cleansed at the end of each working period by washing with soap and warm water. The use of solvents is to be avoided. Disposable paper - not cloth towels - should be used to dry the skin. Adequate ventilation of the working area is recommended. These precautions are described in greater detail in the Material Safety Data sheets for the individual products and should be referred to for fuller information.



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