



# RITE-LOK™ Cyanoacrylate Adhesive SIGel

## Product Data Sheet

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**Product Description** RITE-LOK SIGel cyanoacrylate adhesive is a fast curing, very high viscosity Ethyl Cyanoacrylate based adhesive. The new formulation shows greater surface insensitivity thus allowing faster bonding of all substrates and improved performance on wood, card and metals. The new gel formulation exhibits improved thixotropic behaviour and uniform appearance.

**Key Features** SIGel is specially formulated for high strength, general purpose bonding of most metals, wood, card, plastics, rubber, leather, fabrics and other common substrates. The gel formulation is suitable for bonding poorly mating components and for porous substrates such as china and other ceramics. It is also suitable for use on vertical and over-head surfaces as it will not drip or slump.

### Physical Properties

Base	Ethyl
Soluble In	Acetone, MEK
Viscosity (cps)	Range @ 2.5rpm 50-90,000 Range @ 20rpm 7-20,000
Specific Gravity	1.10
Colour	Clear

### Performance Characteristics

Maximum Gap Fill (best results are obtained with very thin bond lines)	0.5mm
Fixture Time	3-60 secs
Tensile Strength Typical (ISO 6922)	21 N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Full Cure	24hrs
Speed of Cure	The speed of cure of cyanoacrylates varies according to the substrate to be bonded. Acidic surfaces such as paper and leather will have longer cure times than most plastics and rubbers.
Moisture Resistance	Low resistance to high levels of moisture and humidity over time.
Service Temperature Range	-50 to +80°C

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<b>Additional Product Information</b>	RITE-LOK Activators AC11 and AC12 may be used in conjunction with RITE-LOK cyanoacrylates where cure speed needs to be accelerated. Cure speeds of less than 2 seconds can be obtained with most RITE-LOK cyanoacrylates. The use of an activator can reduce the final bond strength by up to 30%
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<b>Application Techniques</b>	<p>Bond speed is very fast so ensure that parts are properly aligned before bonding. RITE-LOK Activators may be required if there are gaps or porous surfaces. Some plastics may require application of RITE-LOK AC77 Primer.</p> <p>Ensure parts are clean, dry and free from oil and grease. Product is normally hand applied from the bottle. Apply sparingly to one surface and press parts firmly together until handling strength is achieved.</p> <p>As a general rule, as little cyanoacrylate as possible should be used – over application will result in slow cure speed and lower bond strength.</p>
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<b>Storage Conditions</b>	<p>Keep the adhesive in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight. Under such conditions shelf life at room temperature will be 12 months.</p> <p>Refrigeration to 5°C gives optimum storage stability.</p>
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<b>Shelf Life</b>	12 months from date of despatch by 3M when stored in the original carton at 21°C
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<b>Precautionary Information</b>	Refer to product label and material Safety Data Sheet for health and safety information before using the product. For information please contact your local 3M Office. <a href="http://www.3M.com">www.3M.com</a>
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<b>For Additional Information</b>	To request additional information or to arrange for sales assistance, call 0870 6080050 Address correspondence to: 3M United Kingdom PLC, 3M House, 28 Great Jackson Street, Manchester, M15 4PA
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<b>Note</b>	<p>Values presented have been determined by standard test methods and are average values not to be used for specification purposes.</p> <p>Our recommendations on the use of our products are based on tests believed to be reliable but we would ask that you conduct your own tests to determine their suitability for your applications. This is because 3M cannot accept any responsibility or liability direct or consequential for loss or damage caused as a result of our recommendation</p>
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