

## DESCRIPTION

Thiokol 2235M is a high performance, non-sag, NSF approved chemical resistant elastomeric joint sealant. Due to its high polysulfide polymer content, it is resistant to many chemicals, shrinkage, aging, thermal stress and the effects of outdoor exposure.

## TYPICAL APPLICATION

• Primer	PolySpec Primer 3-5 mils (concrete) / 2-3 mils (steel)
• Backer Rod	Customer supplied
• Sealant	Thiokol 2235M
• Options	Thiokol CR Chemical Resistant Joint Sealant System adds PolySpec 196BA and PolySpec 196SL Thiokol DC Dual Containment Joint Sealant System adds Thiokol RLP 2378+ and Engineering Fabric

## PERFORMANCE DATA

Tensile Strength (ASTM D-412).....	150–200 psi
Elongation (ASTM D-412).....	500–550%
Hardness, Shore A (ASTM D-2240).....	25–30
Joint Movement.....	± 25%
VOC.....	0.00 lb/gal; 0.00 gm/L
Volume Solids.....	100%

## STORAGE & INSTALLATION

Storage Environment.....	Dry area, 65–80°F
Application Temperature, ambient.....	50–95°F
Application Temperature, substrate.....	Minimum 5°F above dew point
Shelf Life.....	1 year
Pot Life, @ 77°F.....	1 hour
Tack Free, @ 77°F.....	6 hours
Full Cure, @ 77°F.....	7 days

*Material cures more slowly at cooler temperatures, and working time will be substantially reduced at higher temperatures. In hot weather, material should be cooled to 65°F to 80°F prior to mixing and application to improve workability and avoid shortened pot life. The data shown above reflects typical results based on laboratory testing under controlled conditions. Reasonable variations from the data shown above may result.*

## CONSIDERATIONS & LIMITATIONS

1. Do not thin with solvents unless advised to do so by PolySpec.
2. Confirm product performance in specific chemical environment prior to use.
3. Prepare substrate according to “Surface Preparation” portion of this document.
4. Always use protective clothing, gloves and goggles consistent with OSHA regulations during use. Avoid eye and skin contact. Do not ingest or inhale. Refer to Material Safety Data Sheet for detailed safety precautions.
5. For industrial/commercial use. Installation by trained personnel only.

# THIOKOL<sup>®</sup> 2235M

## TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

# Industrial Polysulfide Joint Sealant, Non Sag

## BENEFITS

- Retains elasticity even as concrete moves; maintains flexibility over time
- Resists mild acids, alkalis and petroleum products
- Resists effects of sunlight, rain, snow, ozone, aging, shrinkage and cyclic temperature changes, even after years of service
- Contains no volatile solvents

## RECOMMENDED USES

Concrete expansion joints:

- Water treatment & storage facilities
- Bridges
- Roadways
- Warehouse floors
- Secondary containment dike walls & floors
- Tank chine seals
- Concrete panels

## APPROVALS

- Certified NSF Standard 61, Sec. 6
- MIL TT-S-00227, Type II, non-sag
- ASTM C-920, Type M, Grade NS, Class 25, Use NT, M, G, A and O

## GENERIC DESCRIPTION

Polysulfide Sealant

## STANDARD COLORS

Bronze Gray

## PACKAGING

1.5-Gallon Unit

## COVERAGE

JOINT SIZE	COVERAGE PER UNIT
1/2" W x 1/4" D.....	231 linear ft
1/2" W x 3/8" D.....	154 linear ft
3/4" W x 3/8" D.....	102 linear ft
3/4" W x 1/2" D.....	77 linear ft
1" W x 1/2" D.....	57 linear ft
1" W x 3/4" D.....	38 linear ft

*Coverages are theoretical only.*

## SURFACE PREPARATION

**Concrete:** Apply only to clean, dry and sound concrete substrates that are free of all coatings, sealers, curing compounds, oils, greases or any other contaminants.

- *New concrete should be cured a minimum of 28 days.*
- *Concrete that has been contaminated with chemicals or other foreign matter must be neutralized or removed.*
- *Remove any laitance or weak surface layers.*
- *Concrete should have a minimum surface tensile strength of at least 300 PSI per ASTM D-4541.*
- *Surface profile shall be CSP-3 to CSP-5 meeting ICRI (International Concrete Repair Institute) standard guideline #03732 for coating concrete, producing a profile equal to 60-grit sandpaper or coarser. Prepare surface by mechanical means to achieve this desired profile.*

**Steel:** For immersion service, "White Metal" abrasive blast with an anchor profile of 2–4 mils in accordance with Steel Structures Painting Council Specification SP-5-63 or NACE No. 1 is required. For splash and spillage exposure, "Near White" SP-10-63 or NACE No. 2 is required.

### Refer to PolySpec Surface Preparation Guidelines for more details.

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## INSTALLATION STEPS

### BASE SYSTEM: Thiokol 2235M HP High Performance Joint Sealant System

1. Prime surface with PolySpec Primer. See data sheet for application details.  
*NOTE: For primary fuel containment (concrete), use PolySpec 300EX Primer.*
2. Install a backer rod into the joint; the backer rod should be compressed 25%. When a backer rod is not feasible, bond breaker tape is acceptable.  
*NOTE: Ideally, the joint depth should be one half the joint width.*
3. Add Component B to Component A and mix at slow speed (250–300 RPM) with a 1/2" drill 2 part sealant mixing paddle until material is completely blended. Scrape down sides of container and mixing paddle periodically during mixing; thorough blending of the components is essential for maximum performance of the sealant.  
*NOTE: Typical mixing time is 3–5 minutes.*
4. Thiokol 2235M is supplied in a non-sag consistency that will gun easily with conventional caulking equipment. Fill joint completely. The best installation is done with a bulk caulk gun such as an Albion model # DL-45-T13 or suitable equal.  
*NOTE: Proper width to depth ratios must be maintained.*
5. Immediately after application, dry tool the sealant using a spatula. Use light pressure to ensure positive and complete contact of the sealant to the joint surfaces. Non-sag sealants should be tooled with a suitable sealant spatula with a rounded tip similar to the 258 series by Albion to provide a concave finish thereby creating the desired hour-glass configuration. Spatulas should be slightly wider than the width of the expansion joint. The sealant mixing paddle, bulk caulk gun and spatulas can be purchased through PolySpec.  
*NOTE: Care must be taken to avoid contamination of open joints. Blocking may be required.*

### OPTIONAL UPGRADE: Thiokol 2235M CR Chemical Resistant Joint Sealant System

1. Perform steps 1–5 of Thiokol 2235M HP System, above.
2. Apply PolySpec 196BA Bonding Agent. Must be left open for chemical reaction for 16 hours. See data sheet for application details.
3. Using masking or duct tape, mask off edges of the expansion joint, leaving 1/4" to 1/2" of the concrete exposed.
4. Apply two coats of PolySpec 196SL. See data sheet for application details.  
*NOTE: The second coat can be applied 20 to 30 minutes after the first coat.*
5. Pull masking tape 10–15 minutes after the second coat is applied.

### OPTIONAL UPGRADE: Thiokol 2235M DC Dual Containment Joint Sealant System

1. Perform steps 1–5 of Thiokol 2235M HP System, above.
2. Abrasive blast concrete surface 4" on each side of the expansion joint.
3. Using duct tape, mask off the concrete 3" on both sides of the expansion joint.
4. Prime the prepared concrete surface with Thiokol 415 Primer.
5. Prepare and apply one 20 mil coat of Thiokol RLP 2378+ by roller. See data sheet for application details.
6. Immediately lay engineering fabric into coating. Press it in with a dry roller.
7. Saturate the fabric with an additional 20 mil coat of Thiokol RLP 2378+.
8. Before the coating cures, pull all tape.

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