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Carbon-Fibre Crack Bridging Stitch

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DESCRIPTION

The Concrete Crack Lock (CCL) is a revolutionary new product that was developed to improve concrete crack repair. The CCL is installed by making a single blades width cut across the crack and drilling two holes along the cut at the appropriate locations. Once the preparation is complete and free of dust, it is filled with an approved ARDEX Epoxy Paste such as ARDEX RA 88 (for vertical applications) or ARDEX RA 142, ARDEX RA 144 or ARDEX RA 146 (for horizontal applications) and the CCL is inserted. Once installed, the CCL permanently bonds both sides of the crack together. Due to the unique shape of the CCL and the preparation in the concrete, the tensile strength of the carbon fiber is relied upon as well as the epoxy bond strength along its length.

TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

The Concrete Crack Lock has been engineered to stop cracks in concrete slabs, poured walls, masonry, concrete block foundations, columns, industrial buildings, bridges, and foundations. The Concrete Crack Lock system is designed for cracks of various sizes under virtually any circumstance. It can also be used to increase seismic strength to repairs after an earthquake.

ADVANTAGES

- High Strength
- Non-Corrosive
- Alkali Resistant
- Minimal Aesthetic Impact

PREPARATION

The surface of concrete must be clean and free of loose debris. Lay out the individual crack locks by marking the crack every 200 to 300mm. Then, trace the crack locks at each location and orient them at roughly 90 degrees to the crack. Vary the angle at each location slightly to reinforce the crack from moving in all directions.

Once the layout is complete, cut across the crack ensuring that the cut is at full depth for the entire length. The blade should be set at around 12mm deep to allow sufficient cover over the CCLs. Once the cuts are made, mark the ends along the cut and drill 13mm holes at each end.

APPLICATION

Clean all loose debris from the preparation and fill with an approved ARDEX Epoxy Paste such as ARDEX RA 88 (for vertical applications) or ARDEX RA 142, ARDEX RA 144 or ARDEX RA 146 (for horizontal applications). Once the preparation is filled with epoxy, insert the Concrete Crack Lock and scrape any excess epoxy off of the surface. This material can be worked into the crack between the CCLs. The crack needs to be filled by this method or by injection to stop any movement between the opposite sides of the crack.

TOOLING & FINISHING

Any tool that will accept a diamond saw blade suitable for cutting concrete will work to make the cuts across the crack. A tuck point grinder or slotting tool with dust shroud works best to minimise dust while allowing to set the depth of the cut. Use any hammer drill with a 13mm diameter masonry drill bit to drill the holes. Larger bits can be used but will require additional epoxy to fill the larger holes.

Pay Attention To The Following:

Design calculations must be made and certified by an independent licensed professional engineer.

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TECHNICAL DATA

Results may differ based upon statistical variations depending upon mixing methods and equipment, temperature, application methods, test methods, actual site conditions and curing conditions.

Storage Conditions	Store dry at 4° - 35°C
Shelf Life	10 years
Color	Black
Primary Fiber Direction	unidirectional

FIBRE PROPERTIES

Tensile Strength	4900MPa
Tensile Modulus	250GPa
Strain	2%
Density	1.79 g/cm ³
Nominal Fiber Thickness	0.4445mm

CRACK LOCK PROPERTIES

Tensile Strength	1241MPa
Web Thickness	1.40mm
Web Width	10.67mm

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