

Hydrophilic swellable waterbar for construction joints

### **Material Description**

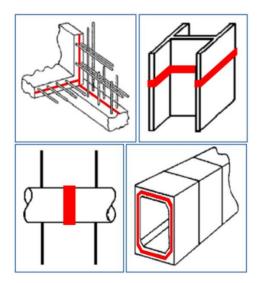
MasterLife WP 910 is a hydrophilic waterbar ready for installation to waterproof joints in concrete structures. It is based on a special polymer technology that acts by swelling on exposure to water to form a seal and render the joints waterproof.

## **Areas of Application**

MasterLife WP 910 hydrophilic waterbar is suitable for all construction joints subject to hydrostatic pressure on one or both sides.

Application areas include joints between:

- Abutments construction joints.
- Rafts and walls in tunnels and basements.
- Steel and concrete pipes, I-Section steels and pre-cast elements etc.



### **Characteristics and Benefits**

- Swells in contact with water by up to 200% prevents water ingress even when the joint width varies.
- Water molecules held by molecular attraction captured water does not get transported through capillaries.
- Resistant to chemicals, solvents, fuels and oils.
- Controlled swelling which minimises the risk of damage to concrete.
- Does not form foam or gas with water durable seal as no air bubbles can breakdown and allow leaks.
- Outstanding chemical resistance.
- Reversible swelling process.
- Resistant to micro-organism formation.
- Can seal joints with up to 7 bar water pressure.

#### **Application Procedure**

#### Surface Preparation:

Joint surfaces must be structurally sound, clean and free from oil, grease and other contaminants. Carefully remove all loose particles and dust.

All substrate coatings, defective renders, formwork treatments and other previously applied materials that may affect the bond adversely should be removed. Clear any standing water on the surface. The temperature during installation should be over  $+5^{\circ}$ C and below  $+35^{\circ}$ C.

#### Application:

It must be fully adhered to the prepared substrate using MasterLife WP 912. Other adhesive brands outside of the MasterLife product range have not been tested. Therefore, there is no data to confirm they work or allow for the expansion of MasterLife WP 910 and may limit the effectiveness of MasterLife WP 910 and invalidate the manufacturer's warranty.



Hydrophilic swellable waterbar for construction joints

Please note that insufficient concrete cover, low density concrete or voids will prevent the MasterLife WP 910 waterbar achieving a correct seal and therefore could lead to the failure of the joint. To avoid this:

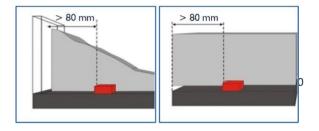
- MasterLife WP 910 waterbar should be placed in the centre of the concrete structure.
- 80mm minimum cover both sides for reinforced concrete.
- 150mm minimum cover both sides for unreinforced concrete.
- A bead of approximately 10mm wide.
- Allow up to 30 minutes before firmly pressing MasterLife WP 910 onto the MasterLife WP 912.
- Ensure full and continuous contact between the MasterLife WP 912 mastic, the MasterLife WP 910 waterbar and the substrate is achieved.
- When the pouring height is above 500mm MasterLife WP 912 mastic must harden for a minimum of 12 hours before pouring concrete to avoid dislodging the MasterLife WP 910 waterbar(s).
- MasterLife WP 910 waterbar and MasterLife WP 912 mastic must be protected against prolonged contact with water until the concrete is poured.
- During pouring, compact the fresh concrete well around the MasterLife WP 910 waterbar to avoid honey combing.



For joint widths from 200mm up to 1000mm, place the MasterLife WP 910 waterbar along the centre of the joint. On wider joint surfaces (greater than 1000mm), two parallel

MasterLife WP 910 waterbars may be laid for added protection.

It is important to leave the minimum coverage from both the edges of concrete to provide sufficient concrete cover to absorb the swelling stresses.



#### Watch Points

Do not butt the joints of MasterLife WP 910. Always lay the waterbar with a 50mm overlap at the ends. Protect MasterLife WP 910 and the joints after installation from dirt, sand, stones, rain, water and other liquids.

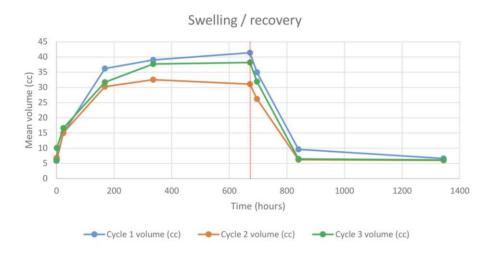
## **Contact Details**

Master Builders Solutions UK Ltd Swinton Hall Road, Swinton, Manchester, M27 4EU Tel: +44 (0) 161 727 6300 www.master-builders-solutions.com/en-gb



Hydrophilic swellable waterbar for construction joints

## Volume Expansion of MasterLife WP 910



Note: The dotted red line indicates the end of the swelling and the start of the recovery cycle.

	Cycle 1		Cycle 2		Cycle 3		
Swelling	Mean mass (cc)	Change (%)	Mean mass (cc)	Change (%)	Mean mass (cc)	Change (%)	Average change (%)
Initial	5.84	-	6.64	13.70	6.02	3.08	8.39
1 hour	6.18	5.82	6.88	17.81	10.07	72.43	32.02
1 day	14.99	156.68	15.07	158.05	16.63	184.76	166.50
7 day	36.19	519.69	30.23	417.64	31.69	442.64	459.99
14 day	39.06	568.84	32.54	457.19	37.71	545.72	523.92
28 day	41.41	609.08	31.07	432.02	38.19	553.94	531.68
Recovery	Cycle 1		Cycle 2		Cycle 3		
	Mean mass (cc)	Change (%)	Mean mass (cc)	Change (%)	Mean mass (cc)	Change (%)	Average change (%)
1 day	34.97	498.80	26.22	348.97	31.93	446.75	431.51
7 day	9.63	64.90	6.195	6.08	6.47	10.79	27.25
28 day	6.64	13.70	6.02	3.08	6.14	5.14	7.31

Note: Observations to the samples throughout testing confirms that there was no degradation of the material throughout the duration of the test.



Hydrophilic swellable waterbar for construction joints

Product Data				
Appearance:	Red Solid Flexible Bar			
Application temperature (substrate and material):	5°C to 35°C			
Water pressure resistance (14 days):	7 Bar			
Volume expansion:	See graph above			
Logistics				
Shelf life:	24 months if stored according to manufacturer's instructions in unopened container.			
Storage conditions:	MasterLife WP 910 must be stored in original sealed containers and at temperatures between 5°C and 30°C. Store under cover, off the ground, out of direct sunlight and protect from extremes of temperature. Protect the materials from all sources of moisture. Failure to comply with the recommended storage conditions may result in premature deterioration of the product or packaging.			



Hydrophilic swellable waterbar for construction joints

#### Disclaimer

#### MasterLife WP 910, Master Builders Solutions UK Ltd, Version 2

Health and Safety

\*For full information on Health and Safety matters regarding this product the relevant Health and Safety Data Sheet should be consulted.

The following general comments apply to all products.

As with all chemical products, care should be taken during use and storage to avoid contact with eyes, mouth, skin and foodstuffs, (which may also be tainted with vapour until the product is fully cured and dried). Treat splashes to eyes and skin immediately. If accidentally ingested, seek medical attention. Keep away from children and animals. Reseal containers after use.

Spillage

Chemical products can cause damage; clean spillage immediately.

#### DISCLAIMER

"Master Builders Solutions UK Ltd" (the Company) endeavours to ensure that advice and information given in Product Data Sheets, Method Statements and Material Safety Data Sheets (all known as Product Literature) is accurate and correct. However, the Company has no control over the selection of its products for particular applications. It is important that any prospective customer, user or specifier, satisfies him/her-self that the product is suitable for the specific application. In this process, due regard should be taken of the nature and composition of the background/base and the ambient conditions both at the time of laying/applying/installing the material and when the completed work is to be brought into use.

Accordingly, no liability will be accepted by the Company for the selection, by others, of a product, which is inappropriate to a particular application.

Products are sold subject to the Company's standard conditions of sale and all customers, users and specifiers, should ensure that they examine the Company's latest Product Literature.