FAQ: REFILLABLE SYSTEMS
LOW PRESSURE POLYURETHANE FOAM ADHESIVES FOR LOW SLOPE COMMERCIAL ROOFING
AVAILABLE FOR POLYSET CR-20 AND POLYSET BOARD-MAX ROOFING ADHESIVES

How important is ambient and chemical temperatures for spraying performance of CR-20 and Board-Max? Extremely critical.

• Ambient Temperatures:
  • CR-20: Ambient temperatures must be 40°F (4°C) and rising.
  • Board-Max: Ambient temperatures must be 30°F (-1°C) and rising.

• Chemical Temperatures:
  • CR-20 and Board-Max: The temperatures for optimal performance of the chemical must be between 70-85°F (21-29°C).
  • ColorWise Temperature Warning Nozzles provide a visual indication the chemicals are too cold to continue spraying. The nozzle tip changes from clear to blue, indicating that the chemical has reached a cold temperature, below 60°F (16°C), and the adhesive should not be dispensed. Stop spraying and condition chemicals to the recommended chemical temperature between 70-85°F (21-29°C).

What if the chemical becomes colder than recommended? Warm it up to the recommended temperature.

• Place in temperature-controlled environment or construct a heat box from polyisocyanurate board or iso board and add a heat source. Do not overheat.
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How do you keep the chemicals cool in the summer (70-85°F)? Store properly.

• Store in a temperature-controlled environment.
• Keep out of direct sunlight (create shade for cylinders).
• Keep cylinders elevated from roof deck (do not place directly onto roof deck surface).
• Store unused product on pallet to eliminate direct heat transfer from deck.

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What is the proper operating range for the chemical itself? 70-85°F.

• The chemicals must be between 70-85°F (21-29°C).

What is the longest hose length that should be used with this system? 100’

• When utilizing the disposable Handi-Gun dispensing unit a 100’ hose is the maximum length.
### Why are the safety valves popping on regulators & cylinders?

- Turn the nitrogen intake valves on the cylinders off.
- Turn the regulator knobs on each regulator counterclockwise 2 turns.
- Pull the nitrogen pressure release valve found on each cylinder up 2-3 times (short controlled bursts).
- Open nitrogen intake valves on cylinders.
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### How can the pressures be turned up if higher pressures are desired?

- Turn the nitrogen intake valves on the cylinders off.
- Slowly adjust your regulators by turning the regulator knobs clockwise to the desired psi.
- Open the nitrogen intake valve on each cylinder and allow the cylinders to fill with nitrogen.
- **Note**: After adjusting the regulators, a ratio test must be performed. (See Polyset Refill Operating Instructions for more information.)

### Can the same Handi-Gun® Hose Assembly be used with CR-20 and then switched to being used with Board-Max?

- The Handi-Gun Hose Assembly should be used with only one formulation to avoid cross-contamination of chemicals in the hose.

**No. Here’s why.**

### Can an air compressor be used rather than nitrogen?

- No. The propellant must be nitrogen.

**No.**

### Can the roof be wet when applying the adhesive?

- The substrate and materials must be dry and free of dirt, dust and or oils for the adhesive to perform properly.

**No.**

### Can I clean the gun/hose with soap and water?

- You cannot flush the hose with soap and water.
- The face of the gun may be sprayed with Polyset PS1 Multipurpose Cleaner (62484448303) prior to the adhesive curing, but the interior cannot be cleaned/flushed with anything.
- **The residue from any type of soap will have a negative effect on the adhesive quality.**

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### Why does chemical dispense at different volumes if the pressures of both are set the same?

- The viscosity is different between the 2 chemicals (one is thicker than the other).

**Viscosity.**

### What happens during the calibration process if I dispense more grams of chemical than the calibration charts shows?

- You can verify the calibration by simply dividing the weight of the B chemical into the A chemical.
- The proper ratio will be 1.0 – 1.15 or you can redo the calibration shot dispensing the product for a lesser amount of time.
- **Example**: If you were to dispense 120 Grams of “A” and dispense 115 Grams of “B”... \( \frac{120}{115} = 1.04 \). You are in calibration.

### What is the best way to adjust cylinder pressures for calibration?

- If the cylinder pressures need to be adjusted, do not lower the pressure in one cylinder by opening the pressure release valve. This could cause a release of blowing agent and result in poor foam properties.
- Instead, bring the pressure up on the cylinder recording the lower pressures.

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- **Higher than a ratio of 1.15**: Add pressure in increments of 10 psig to the B-side.
- **Lower than a ratio of 1.00**: Add pressure in increments of 10 psig to the A-side.
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<td>The ColorWise nozzles do not keep the “A” and “B” chemicals separated which is required for a proper calibration process.</td>
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<td>At least twice a day.</td>
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<td>• At startup just prior to dispensing and after lunch or prolonged interruptions.</td>
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<td>• It also a good practice to verify your calibration as temperatures vary +10 or -10 degrees.</td>
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<td>When dispensing chemicals to verify calibration, how many seconds should I pull the trigger?</td>
<td>3-4 seconds.</td>
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<td>Can the vessels being used for the calibration process be different weights?</td>
<td>No, the empty vessels should be the same weights.</td>
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<td>Follow our re-use procedure.</td>
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<td>• Remove and replace the used Handi-Gun® Hose Assembly with a new Handi-Gun® Hose Assembly.</td>
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<td>• Perform the calibration process and ratio test again. (See Polyset Refill Operating Instructions for more information.)</td>
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<td>What are the shutdown procedures for the end of the day?</td>
<td>Turn off all valves in a certain order.</td>
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<td>• Start at the Handi-Gun and engage the safety latch.</td>
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<td>• Turn off the nitrogen valve at the top of the nitrogen cylinder.</td>
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<td>• Note: It's a good practice to remove the nitrogen hoses from the chemical cylinders, disconnect the regulators from the nitrogen bottle and replace the nitrogen safety cap (especially during transportation).</td>
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What do I do with the empty refill cylinders when they are depleted?

- Do not discard pallets the refill cylinders arrived on.
- When the chemical in the cylinders has been depleted, place back on the original pallets.
- Shrink wrap the empty cylinders.
- Complete the Bill of Lading.
- Contact ICP for empty refill cylinder pick up. (330-753-4585)

Follow the Refill Cylinder Return Process detailed below.

There is a small amount of chemical left in either the "A" or the "B" cylinder. Can I purchase a single cylinder of either?

Yes, you can purchase a single cylinder.

- Greater attention to the calibration throughout the day can help minimize this issue.

Are the hoses to be depressurized and/or emptied at shutdown?

No.

- No. Remove used ColorWise nozzle, but do not discard.
- Add petroleum jelly to the face of the gun and replace with previously removed used ColorWise nozzle.

Note: This nozzle should be discarded upon the next startup.

IF ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS ARISE, REACH OUT TO YOUR LOCAL POLYSET REPRESENTATIVE!