



# 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 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 a 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.

**What to do if the roof deck is hot to help the chemicals inside the 100' hoses from getting too hot?**

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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?

Pressures are set too high.

- 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.
- **Note:** The pressures on the regulator should begin to drop.
- Close the nitrogen intake valve again and 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.

### How can the pressures be turned up if higher pressures are desired?

Adjust your regulators.

- 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?

No. Here's why.

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

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

No.

- No. The propellant must be nitrogen.

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

No.

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

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

No, here's why.

- You cannot flush the hose with soap and water.
- The face of the gun may be sprayed with Polyset PSI 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.**

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

Viscosity.

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

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

Redo the calibration test or complete math shown in example.

- 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"...  $120 / 115 = 1.04$ . You are in calibration.**

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

Bring the pressure up on the cylinder with the lower pressure.

- 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.

$$\frac{A}{B} = 1.10 \quad \begin{array}{c} 1.15 \\ \uparrow \\ +/- 0.10 \\ \downarrow \\ 1.00 \end{array}$$

- **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.



### How often should I replace the nozzle?

After interrupted spray of 30+ seconds.

- Before adhesive has had a chance to cure in the nozzle, flush nozzle with Polysolv solvent.
- **Note:** The solvent will not dissolve cured adhesive. This step must be performed prior to the adhesive curing.

### Do I calibrate with the nozzle on or off?

Use a calibration nozzle.

- The calibration process requires the use of a **calibration nozzle only**. (F66118)
- This is not the ColorWise Temperature Warning Nozzle utilized to dispense the chemicals during application.

### When dispensing chemicals to verify calibration, how many seconds should I pull the trigger?

3-4 seconds.

- Full trigger pull for 3-4 seconds.

### Can the vessels being used for the calibration process be different weights?

No, here's why.

- No, the empty vessels should be the same weights.

### Does it matter whether I partially pull the trigger on the Handi-Gun when calibrating or use a full trigger pull?

Full-trigger pull.

- When calibrating, always pull the trigger all the way back (use a full trigger pull).

### Why can't I calibrate utilizing the ColorWise dispensing nozzle?

A ratio nozzle must be used.

- The ColorWise nozzles do not keep the "A" and "B" chemicals separated which is required for a proper calibration process.

### How often should I calibrate my system?

At least twice a day.

- The calibration should be verified at least twice a day.
  - At startup just prior to dispensing and after lunch or prolonged interruptions.
- It also a good practice to verify your calibration as temperatures vary +10 or -10 degrees.

### The pressures keep rising after initial calibration, what do I do?

Regulators were not properly set-up.

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
### How do I get the system up and running again after sitting idle for several days or months?

Follow our re-use procedure.

- Remove and replace the used Handi-Gun® Hose Assembly with a new Handi-Gun® Hose Assembly.
- Perform the calibration process and ratio test again. (See Polysolv Refill Operating Instructions for more information.)

### What are the shutdown procedures for the end of the day?

Turn off all valves in a certain order.

- Start at the Handi-Gun and engage the safety latch.
  - Turn off hose valves.
  - Turn the chemical cylinder valves off.
  - Turn the nitrogen intake valves off.
  - Turn off the nitrogen valve at the top of the nitrogen cylinder.
  - **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).
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**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

**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.

**What do I do with the empty refill cylinders when they are depleted?**

**Follow the Refill Cylinder Return Process detailed below.**

- 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)

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

