## E 30 water effect

Extremely transparent compound , mostly used in the artistic field, in handicraft and model craft, to realize transparent castings for water effect, or to include objects inside. Self-levelling, if casted on a flat area, after cure the result is a bright surface.

Two- components product, to mix before use. A component: liquid epoxy resin solvent- free, from bisfenol F. B component : hardener amine – base.

## **Components properties:**

	COMP. A		COMP.B
VISCOSITY DENSITY COLOUR GARDNER RATIO A/B	cPs . 3.700- 4.000 gr/l. 1,15 max 1 gr. 100	1	cPs. 400 gr/l. 1,03 gr. 60
Hardening cycles:	200gr mass		
Pot- life of blend at 25 C° Seeming hardening Complete hardening	30 minutes 8 hours 48 hours		

Pot- life : time to work with the blend, before it begins to harden. For great bulks, the time gets shorter. Seeming hardening: the solid or semi- solid state the product reaches after the heat is dissipated. Complete hardening: the solid state, solid and not deformable, with its final strength.

Room temperature has a great influence both on the viscosity and on the times of hardenings. At low temperatures viscosity increases; on the contrary, at high temperatures, viscosity decreases. But this does not intervene in the final result.

On the contrary, temperature and thickness work together and interfere in the final result:

**The bigger is the mass, the lower is the dissipation of output heat**. So, hardening times considerably differ in relation to the thickness of the layer, and a 3cm layer takes less than half time to harden, comparing it to a 10mm layer.

**Humidity** can cause a matt surface. In case, it can be polished.

## Properties after hardening

Tensile strength	N/mm2	68		
Tear strength	%			3,1-3,5
Elastic modulus	N/mm2	3.000		
Blending strength	N/mm2		95-110	
Water absorption (10gg)	%		0,5	
Distortion temperature	C°		80	
Colour	Gardener		max 2	

After hardening, the compound is neutral and non-toxic, fit for direct contact with alimentary and cosmetic matters. Exposed to the light continuously, it yellows.

## Hints to obtain the best results:

- Keep the product in a warm place, never below 5 C°, to allow it to maintain a fluid consistence.
- Always batch the two components by weight, using an accuracy scale, and do not change the ratio.
- Blend carefully the two components with a long, narrow spittle, scraping the bottom and all the container, to
  obtain a homogeneous blend, and slowly, to avoid air bubbles. If this happens, help the escape of the air
  bubbles using a tool like a long needle.
- Work in warm places ( room temp. not below 18 C°), and during the hardening phase, keep the object in a warmer temp ( 30- 40 C°, if possible)
- Hygiene rules: wear protective gloves and avoid contact with eyes and skin. After use wash your hands carefully with soap, clean the surfaces with paper and the tools with alcohol or nitre solvent.



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