

**Wicomico County Purchasing Department
125 N. Division Street, Room B3
Salisbury, Maryland 21801**



INVITATION FOR BID

PROJECT:	<u>Arthur W. Perdue Stadium Caulking Replacement</u>
DEPARTMENT:	<u>Recreation, Parks and Tourism</u>

VENDOR:

NAME:	_____
ADDRESS:	_____

BID OPENING:

DATE:	<u>June 20, 2014</u>
TIME:	<u>2:00 PM</u>

BID INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Submission of Bids:** *Two* full copies of the bid must be submitted on the bid form provided in the solicitation. The bid form shall be signed and submitted in a sealed envelope clearly identified on the outside of all envelopes with the name of the bid/project and date and time of the scheduled bid opening as indicated in the advertisement. Electronically mailed bids are **not** considered sealed bids and will **not** be accepted.

2. **Addendums:** Bids are subject to change in the form of addendums. Questions can be addressed in writing to the Purchasing Agent at rkonrad@wicomocounty.org . Bids are subject to change in the form of addendums. Addendums are posted on the County website at www.wicomocounty.org under Government: Departments: Purchasing: at www.wicomocounty.org/bids.aspx at least 5 days before bid opening.

It is the bidders responsibly to make sure all addendums are included in their bid. Failure to do so could result in the bid being disqualified.

3. **Delivery of Bids:** Bids should be mailed or hand carried to **Wicomico County Purchasing Department, 125 N. Division Street, Government Office Building, Room B3, Salisbury, MD 21801**, in order to be received in the office of the Purchasing Agent prior to the announced bid opening. *Bids received after said time or delivered to the wrong location will be returned to the bidder unopened.* It is fully the responsibility of the bidder to insure that the bid is received on time. The County will not speculate as to reasonableness of the postmark, nor comment on the apparent failure of a public carrier to have made prompt delivery of the bid.

4. **Qualifications:** The Bidder must be in compliance with the laws regarding conducting business in the State of Maryland. Bidder shall provide a copy Certificate of Status from the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation, along with their bid, evidencing the Bidder is in good standing with the State of Maryland. Wicomico County reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to extend the date this documentation must be provided. The Bidder's inability to provide this documentation will result in the bid being rejected.

All vendors who wish to bid on County projects and contracts need to register as a bidder at www.wicomocounty.org/list.aspx?Mode=Subscribe#bids by checking off the category(s) for which you wish to be informed of future bids

5. **Descriptive Literature:** Descriptive literature fully describing the product bid (where such literature exists) shall be included with the bid to assist the Purchasing Department in evaluating the submission. Failure to do so may be cause for rejection

of the bid. *Any items, systems or devices supplied in this bid that are proprietary in nature relative to maintenance, repair, servicing or updating must be disclosed on the bid form.*

6. **Exceptions:** Any exceptions to the specifications requested should be listed on a separate sheet of paper attached to the bid. An exception to the specifications may not necessarily disqualify the bid. The County will determine if the exception is an essential deviation or a minor item. In the case of a minor deviation, the County maintains the option to award to that bidder if it determines the performance is not adversely affected by the exception.
7. **Bid Evaluation:** If some characteristic of the bid requires that the bid must be reviewed by the County Council, the award can be expected within 30 days.

Bid tabulations will be posted on the County website at www.wicomicocounty.org/bids.aspx and click on the box Show Closed/Awarded/Cancelled Bids and find the bid tabulation for the bid you are interested in. The tabulations will typically be posted within 24 hours of the bid opening. Please use this resource rather than calling the Purchasing Office.

Bid evaluations typically take 1-2 weeks.

8. **Award of Bid:** The Purchasing Agent shall award a bid to the best, responsive and responsible bidder complying with the provisions of the Invitation for Bid. All bid awards are contingent upon available funding.

The Purchasing Agent reserves the right to award a bid by individual items, in aggregate, or in combination thereof as deemed necessary to fulfill the anticipated requirements of the County.

All awards over \$1000.00 require a Purchase Order to be executed before any work can be started. Some awards will require a County contract. A sample is attached if this is applicable.

9. **Approved Equals:** In all specifications where a material or article is defined by describing a proprietary product or by using the name of a vendor or manufacturer, it can be assumed that an approved equal can be substituted. The use of a named product is an attempt to set a particular standard of quality and type that is familiar to the County.

Such references are not intended to be restrictive. However, the County shall decide if a product does in fact meet or exceed the quality of the specifications listed in the solicitation. It shall be the responsibility of the vendor that claims his product is an equal to provide documentation to support such a claim.

10. **Sales Tax:** Wicomico County is exempt from being directly charged Federal excise and Maryland sales tax. A copy of an exemption certificate shall be furnished upon request. According to the Office of the Comptroller of Maryland, the Contractor is responsible for paying sales tax on his/her purchases relating to this project and should incorporate it into his bid.
11. **Delivery:** All items shall be delivered F.O.B. destination and delivery costs and charges included in the bid unless otherwise stated in the specifications or bid form.
12. **Insurance:** If required by the General Conditions or Terms and Conditions, the bidder shall provide the County with Certificates of Insurance within ten (10) days of bid award notification evidencing the required coverage. Bidder must provide Certificates of Insurance before commencing work in connection with the contract.
13. **Right to Reject:** The Wicomico County Council reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids or to waive any technicality it deems in the best interest of the County.
14. **Piggybacking:** Wicomico County may authorize, upon request, any governmental entity (hereafter Authorized User) within the County to purchase items under the contract awarded pursuant to this bid solicitation. All purchase orders issued against the contract by an authorized User shall be honored by the Contractor in accordance with all terms and conditions of this contract. The issuance of a purchase order by an Authorized User pursuant to this provision shall constitute an express assumption of all contractual obligations, covenants, conditions and terms of the contract. A breach of the contract by any particular Authorized User shall neither constitute nor be deemed a breach of the contract as a whole which shall remain in full force and effect, and shall not affect the validity of the contract nor the obligations of the Contractor thereunder respecting the County. The County specifically and expressly disclaims any and all liability for any breach by an authorized User other than the County and each such Authorized User and Contractor guarantee to save the County, its officers, agents and employees harmless from any liability that may be or is imposed by the Authorized User's failure to perform in accordance with its obligations under the contract.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

A. QUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDER AND DISQUALIFICATION OF BIDS

All bidders are to be acceptable to the Owner and shall be skilled in the class of work for which they bid. Bidders shall furnish in writing, upon demand, a list giving the date and location of work performed of similar character and magnitude of that on which they are bidding.

The contractor shall examine the premises and observe the conditions under which the work will be done, or other circumstances which will affect the contemplated work. No allowance will be made subsequently in this connection for any error or negligence on the contractor's part.

The bidders shall familiarize themselves with the total scope of work avoiding misunderstandings in regard to the nature and character of the work to be performed. All work shall be the best of its kind and done in accordance with good standard practice.

The bidders must adhere strictly to the specifications. Any change or deviation from the specifications or any detail in which their product or services differ from these specifications must be examined in detail in a separate letter accompanying their bids.

B. GUARANTEE

The contractor shall furnish the Owner with a two-year guarantee of workmanship and materials, dating from time of acceptance of the project and shall make good any defects which may occur during that period. If any special guarantees in excess of the two-year period are specified by the manufacturer, these guarantees shall take precedence over the two-year period guarantee. Upon completion of work, and before final payment or release of retainage, submit, and obtain from each subcontractor, material supplier and equipment manufacture general warranties and a notarized asbestos free guarantee.

C. TIME FOR COMPLETION

1. The work contemplated under this contract shall be considered as continuous and be completed by October 3, 2014.

2. The contractor will not be permitted to work on holidays observed by Wicomico County or the State of Maryland or on Sundays unless otherwise authorized in writing.

3. In case of an emergency which may require that work be done on Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays, the contractor shall request permission of the owner to do so. If, in the opinion of the owner, the emergency is bonafide, permission may be granted to the contractor to work such hours as may be necessary. Also if in the opinion of the owner a bonafide emergency exists, the contractor may be directed to work such hours as may be necessary whether or not the contractor requests permission to do so. The contractor will be allowed to work eight (8) hours per day, Monday through Friday, except for holidays, 52 weeks per year. The contractor shall pay the owner for all costs incurred for inspection services required for work permitted during holidays, weekends or in excess of eight (8) hours per day.

D. PENALTY

If the contractor shall fail to start and complete the project within the time frame stated above, the Owner shall assess a penalty of \$500.00 per calendar day for each and every day the contractor fails to complete the contract. The designated County project manager reserves the option to extend the scheduled completion date or waive this penalty clause in its entirety if he is of the opinion that extenuating circumstances deemed such action appropriate.

E. CHANGES IN WORK

The owner, without invalidating the contract, may order extra work or make changes by altering, adding or deducting from the work with the contract sum being adjusted accordingly. All such work shall be executed under the conditions of the original of the original contract, except that any claim for the extension of time caused thereby shall be adjusted at the time of ordering such change. The value of any such extra work or change shall be determined in one or more of the following ways:

- a. By estimate and acceptance of lump sum
- b. By unit prices named in the contract or subsequently agreed upon.

F. ERRORS OR OMISSIONS IN DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Should any detail be omitted from the drawings or specifications, or should any errors appear in either, it shall be the duty of the contractor to notify the owner's designated construction inspector. In no case shall the contractor proceed with the work without notifying and receiving definite instructions from the Owner. Work wrongly constructed without such notification shall be corrected by the contractor at his own cost.

G. SAMPLES OF APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTION OF MATERIALS

1. Samples of materials shall be submitted by the Contractor for approval before such materials are ordered from the manufacturers or distributors and shall be approved by him before actual work is begun.

2. It is the intention of these specifications to permit all contractors bidding on this work to secure the fullest amount of competition on the various materials and specialties names herein. Wherever a material or article is defined by describing a proprietary product or by using the name of a vendor or manufacturer, the term or approved equal shall be presumed to be implied unless otherwise stated.

H. BUILDING INSPECTION

1. The work under this contract shall conform to local building codes, except where something better is shown or specified.

2. The owner or his representatives may, at any time, enter upon the work and the premises used by the contractor, and the contractor shall provide proper and safe facilities to secure convenient access to all parts of the work, and all other facilities necessary for inspection, as may be required.

3. The owner will appoint such persons as he may deem necessary to properly inspect the materials furnished or to be furnished, and the work done under the contract and to see that the same strictly corresponds with the drawings and specifications. All such materials and workmanship shall be subject to approval of the Owner. Approval or acceptance of payment shall not be misconstrued as approval of items or work not in conformance with specifications and drawings nor shall it prevent the rejection of said work or materials at any time thereafter during the existence of the contract, should said work or materials be found to be defective, or not in accordance with the requirements of the contract.

4. Work and material will be inspected promptly, but if for any reason should a delay occur, the contractor shall have no claim for damages or extra compensation.

5. The contractor shall pay for all inspection costs necessary to complete the work which may be incurred to comply with the requirements of any agency other than the owner, such as a railroad, public service utility company, or any other governmental agency or any other agency whose jurisdiction affects the work in any manner unless otherwise specified herein.

I. PERMITS

The contractor shall give all notices and obtain and pay all necessary permits required by local laws and regulations for building. State and Federal permits to undertake work have been obtained by the owner and accompany these specifications.

J. SUPERVISION

1. The contractor shall maintain, at all times during the progress of work, a competent and experienced supervisor who shall represent the contractor, and all directions given to him shall be binding. Important decisions of any directions, if requested by the supervisor, shall be confirmed in writing.

2. Supervision by the owner or his representative does not relieve the contractor of responsibility for defective work executed under the direct control of the contractor. Responsibility for defective work rests upon the contractor, whether discovered by the owner prior to final payment or subsequent thereto.

K. CLEAN UP

Upon completion of the items within a given location as specified and before monthly estimates will be paid, the construction area and all other areas occupied by the Contractor during the construction of said Contract shall be cleaned of all surplus and discarded materials, bracing, forms, rubbish and temporary structures that were placed there by the Contractor. Disposal of the aforementioned shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.

L. BARRICADES, DANGER, WARNING AND DETOUR SIGNS

The Contractor shall provide, erect and maintain all necessary barricades, sufficient red lights, flares, danger signals and signs, provide a sufficient number of watchmen and take all necessary precautions for the protection of the work and safety of the public.

M. EXAMINATION OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND SITE

Bidders shall make a personal examination of the location of the proposed work and of the surroundings thereof, and shall thoroughly acquaint themselves with the details of the work to be done and all the conditions and obstacles likely to be encountered in the performance and completion of the work. Bidders shall inform themselves as to the facilities for the transportation, handling and storage of equipment and materials, and they shall carefully study the plans, specifications and other conditions under which the work is to be done and as to the character, qualities and quantities of work to be performed and materials to be furnished, and be prepared to execute a finished job in every particular without extra charge whatever, except as may be specifically provided for elsewhere in these contract documents. No allowance will subsequently be made in this regard for error and/or negligence on the part of the contractor.

N. WORKMANSHIP

1. First class work shall be performed and all materials furnished in carrying out the contract shall be of character and quality required by the specifications. Where no standard is specified for such work or materials, they shall be the best of their respective kinds. Any unsatisfactory work done or materials furnished, at whatever time they may be discovered, shall be immediately removed and satisfactorily replaced by the contractor, when notified to do so by the owner.

2. The contractor shall employ only competent labor specifically experienced in the proposed work. Any employee who is careless, incompetent, disorderly, or who uses abusive or profane language shall be discharged or removed from the project on request of the owner.

3. The work shall be under the general supervision of the owner and its duly appointed field representatives, in accordance with a general plan agreed upon between the owner and the contractor. The contractor shall appoint a competent superintendent and necessary foreman for the direct supervision of the work. The supervisor shall be on the job at all times that the work is in progress, and shall be available during non-working hours in event of an emergency.

O. CONSTRUCTION SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS

1. It is a condition of this contract, and shall be made a condition of each sub-contract entered into pursuant to this contract, that the contractor and any sub-contractor shall not require any laborer or mechanic employed in performance of the contract to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to his health or safety, as determined under construction safety and health standards (Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1926, formerly Part 1518, as revised from time to time, promulgated by the United States Secretary of Labor, in accordance with Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standard Act.) (83 Stat. 96).

2. Failure of Wicomico County to inform the contractor of safety violations will not release the contractor of his responsibilities.

P. PROTECTION OF PRIVATE AND PUBLIC PROPERTY

1. The contractor shall take all necessary precautions to protect the existing county facilities, whether or not shown on the plans.

2. The contractor shall be held responsible for any damages and the cost of repairing these damages shall be paid by the contractor.

BID SPECIFICATIONS

SCOPE OF WORK

Recreation, Parks and Tourism is requesting a sealed bid for the following:

Scope of Work: General Admission (2nd level) Seating Bowl Joint Replacement

Arthur W. Perdue Stadium
6400 Hobbs Road
Salisbury, MD 21804

Total linear footage is +/- 8,000 feet.

1. Cut out existing caulking in both horizontal and vertical control joints.
2. Clean edges of joints to bare concrete.
3. Pack all joints with closed cell backer rod.
4. Fill all joints with Sikaflex 15-LM, in accordance with manufacturer specifications (Exhibit B – attached).
5. Replace any spectator seating that needed to be temporarily removed to access the joints.
6. Project may be completed in segments. Schedule subject to approval from Wicomico County. During the baseball season, date windows are open for work on the project, however, each section of the seating bowl must be ready for patron occupancy on the last day of the following ranges:
 - a. June 27 – July 2, 2014
 - b. July 10 – 15, 2014
 - c. July 22 – 29, 2014
 - d. August 14 – 21, 2014
7. Complete the entire project by October 3rd, 2014. Penalty for failure to meet the October 3rd deadline shall be assessed at \$500 per day.

BID FORM

TO: Wicomico County Purchasing Department
Government Office Building
125 North Division Street, Room B3
Salisbury, MD 21801

BID - Arthur W. Perdue Stadium Caulking Replacement Date: _____

<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total</u>
8000 LF	Caulking (remove and replace	\$ _____	\$ _____

Two copies of bid enclosed Yes _____ No _____

Projected delivery date _____ Days from placement of order

Addendums Acknowledged (if applicable) - YES _____ #(s) _____ NO _____

Exceptions YES _____ NO _____ If yes please attach on a separate sheet.

Mfg. Specifications or Cut Sheets provided YES _____ NO _____ N/A _____

Any part of this bid involve proprietary materials? YES _____ NO _____

I have read, understood, and agreed to the terms and conditions of all contents of this BID. The undersigned agrees to furnish the commodity or service stipulated in this BID as stated above.

SIGNATURE: _____

NAME: _____

COMPANY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____

EXHIBIT A

WICOMICO COUNTY, MARYLAND STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This document sets out provisions generally applicable to all Wicomico County ("County") contracts. The provisions herein do not constitute a complete agreement, and must be appended to a document, executed by all parties, which identifies the specific work to be performed, compensation, term, incorporated attachments, and special conditions, if any. This document and the Contract are intended to be complementary and shall be construed accordingly. However, should there be a direct contradiction between the terms and conditions contained herein and the Contract, then the Contract shall govern and control those contradictory terms and conditions. As used herein, the term "Department" includes the County, its various departments, unit, agencies, employees or agents as may be appropriate. The term "Contract" shall include a document entitled "agreement" or any other title on a document that is denoting a contract. The Wicomico County Executive is the person authorized to enter into contracts for Wicomico County.

Amendment. This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and all other communications prior to its execution, whether written or oral, with reference to the subject matter of this Contract are superseded by this Contract. No amendment to this Contract shall be binding unless in writing and signed by the parties.

Subcontracting or Assignment. The benefits and obligations hereunder shall inure to and be binding upon the parties hereto and neither this Contract nor the services to be performed hereunder shall be subcontracted, or assigned or otherwise disposed of, either in whole or in part, except with the prior written consent of the County. The County has the right to withhold such consent for any reason the County deems appropriate.

Insurance Requirements.

A. Contractor shall obtain, and at all times keep in effect, Commercial General Liability Insurance in the amounts listed below for its activities and operations. The insurance shall include coverage for personal injury, discrimination and civil rights violation claims. All such insurance shall name County, its employees, and agents as ADDITIONAL INSURED. A copy of the certificate of insurance shall be filed with the County prior to the time this Contract is executed, providing coverage in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 general aggregate and \$500,000 for property damage. Coverage shall be written on an occurrence form.

B. Contractor shall provide the County with certification of Workers' Compensation Insurance, with employer's liability in the minimum amount required by Maryland law in effect for each year of this Contract.

C. All insurance policies shall have a minimum 60 days notice of cancellation. Immediate written notice to the County shall be required in the event of cancellation or restriction by the insurance company of any insurance policy referred to in this section.

D. When insurance coverage is renewed Contractor shall provide new certificates of insurance prior to expiration of current policies.

Payments. Payments to the Contractor pursuant to this Contract shall be made no later than 30 days after the County's receipt of a proper invoice from the Contractor. If an invoice remains unpaid 45 days after the invoice was received, interest shall be charged at a rate of nine percent (9%) per annum, in accordance with state law.

Remedies.

A. Corrections of errors, defect and omissions. Contractor agrees to perform the work as may be necessary to correct errors, defects, and omissions in the services required under this Contract, without undue delays and without cost to the County. The acceptance of the work set forth herein by the County shall not relieve the Contractor of the responsibility of subsequent corrections of such errors.

B. Set Off. The County may deduct from and set-off against any amounts due and payable to the Contractor any back-charges, penalties, or damages sustained by the County, its agents, employees or recipients of its services, by virtue of any breach of this Contract by the Contractor or by virtue of the failure or refusal of the Contractor to perform the services or any part of the services in a satisfactory manner. Nothing herein shall be construed to relieve the Contractor of liability for additional costs resulting from a failure to satisfactorily perform the services.

C. Cumulative. All rights and remedies of County and Contractor shall be cumulative and may be exercised successively or concurrently. The foregoing is without limitation to or waiver of any other rights or remedies of the County by law.

Responsibility of Contractor.

A. The Contractor shall perform the services with the standard of care, skill, and diligence normally provided by a Contractor in the performance of services similar the services hereunder.

B. Notwithstanding any review, approval, acceptance or payment for the services by the County, the Contractor shall be responsible for the professional and technical accuracy of its work, design, drawings, specifications and other materials furnished by the Contractor under this Contract.

C. If the Contractor fails to perform the services, or any part of the services, in conformance with the standard set forth in subparagraph A above it shall, if required by the County, perform at its own expense and without additional cost to the County, those services necessary for the correction of any deficiencies of damages resulting, in whole or in part, from the Contractor's failure. This obligation is in addition to and not in substitution for any other remedy available to the County under the "Remedies" paragraph, or otherwise available by law.

Nondiscrimination. A contractor who is the recipient of County funds, or who proposes to perform any work or furnish any goods under this Contract shall not discriminate against any worker, employee or applicant because of religion, race, sex, age, physical or mental disability, or perceived disability. Contractor further agrees that this provision will be incorporated in all sub-contracts entered into in connection with this Contract.

Contingent Fee Prohibition. The Contractor, architect or engineer (as applicable) warrants that it has not employed or retained any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agent working for the Contractor, architect or engineer, to solicit or secure this Contract, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, partnership, corporation or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agent, any commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee or other consideration contingent on the making of this Contract.

Termination. If the Contractor fails to fulfill its obligations under the Contract properly and on time, or otherwise violates any provision of the Contract, the County may terminate the Contract by written notice to the Contractor. The notice shall specify the acts or omissions relied upon as cause for termination. All finished or unfinished work provided by the Contractor shall, at the County's option, become the County's property. The County shall pay the Contractor fair and equitable compensation for satisfactory performance prior to receipt of notice of termination, less the amount of damages caused by the Contractor's breach. If the damages are more than the compensation payable to the Contractor, the Contractor will remain liable after termination and the County can affirmatively collect damages.

Termination of Contract for Convenience. The performance of work under this Contract may be terminated by the County, in whole or in part, upon written notice to the Contractor, when the County determines such termination is in the best interest of the County. The termination for convenience is effective on the date specified in the County's written notice. The County will pay all for reasonable costs allocable to the Contract for work or costs incurred by the Contractor up to the date of termination. However, the Contractor shall not be reimbursed for any anticipatory profits that have not been earned up to the date of termination.

Termination of Multi-year Contract. If the County fails to appropriate funds or if funds are not otherwise made available for continued performance for any fiscal period of this Contract succeeding the first fiscal period, this Contract shall be cancelled automatically as of the beginning of the fiscal year for which funds were not appropriated or otherwise made available; provided, however, that this will not affect either the County's rights or the Contractor's rights under any termination clause in this Contract. The effect of termination of the Contract hereunder will be to discharge both the Contractor and the County from future performance of the Contract, but not from their rights and obligations existing at the time of termination. The Contractor shall be reimbursed for the reasonable value of any non-recurring costs incurred but not amortized in the price of the Contract. The County shall notify the Contractor as soon as it has knowledge that funds may not be available for the continuation of this Contract for each succeeding fiscal period beyond the first.

Compliance with Law. The Contractor hereby represents and warrants that:

A. It has the power and authority to enter into and perform the Contract, that the Contract, when executed and delivered, shall be a valid and binding obligation of Contractor enforceable in accordance with its terms;

B. Its performance under the Contract shall be in a good and workmanlike manner and in accordance with the professional standards;

C. It is qualified to do business in the State of Maryland and that it will take such action as, from time to time hereafter, may be necessary to remain so qualified;

D. It is not in arrears in the payment of any obligations due and owing to the County or any department or unit thereof, including but not limited to the payment of taxes and employee benefits, and that it shall not become so in arrears during the term of this Contract;

E. It shall comply with all federal, State and local laws, regulations, and ordinances applicable to its activities and obligations under this Contract;

F. It shall obtain, at its expense, all licenses, permits, insurance and governmental approvals, if any, necessary to the performance of its obligations under this Contract. Bankruptcy. Upon filing for any bankruptcy proceeding by or against the Contractor, whether voluntary or involuntary, or upon the appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assignee for the benefit of creditors, the Contractor must notify the County immediately. Upon learning of the actions herein identified, the County reserves the right at its sole discretion either to cancel the Contract or to affirm the Contract and hold the Contractor responsible for damages. The exercise of this right is in addition to any other rights the County may have as provided in this County or by law.

Ownership of Documents and Materials.

A. The Contractor agrees that all documents and materials, including but not limited to, reports, drawings, studies, specifications, estimates, maps, photographs, designs, graphics, mechanicals, artwork, and computations prepared by or for the Contractor under the terms of this Contract shall at any time during the performance of the services made available to the County upon request by the County and shall become and remain the exclusive property of the County upon termination or completion of the services. The County shall have the right to use the same without restriction or limitation and without compensation to the Contractor other than that provided in this Contract. The County shall be the owner for the purposes of copyright, patent or trademark registration.

B. If the Contractor obtains or uses for purposes of this Contract, or subcontracts for, any design, device, material, or process covered by letters of patent for copyright, it shall provide an assignment to the County of ownership for purposes of copyright, patent or trademark and of all right to possess and to use such design, device, material or process and a legally sufficient agreement with the patentee or owner, and a copy of such agreement shall be filed with the County.

C. The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the County from any and all claims for infringement by reason of the use of any such patented design, device, materials, or process, or any trademark or copyright, and shall indemnify, protect and save harmless the County, its officers, agents, and employees with respect to any claim. Action, costs or infringement, for royalties or user fees, arising out of purchase or use of materials, construction, supplies, equipment or services covered by this Contract.

Records. Contractor shall maintain all fiscal records relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. In addition, Contractor shall maintain any other records pertinent to this Contract in such a manner as to clearly document Contractor's performance hereunder. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the County and its duly authorized representatives shall have access to such fiscal records and all other books, documents, papers, plans, and writings of the Contractor that are pertinent to this Contract. All such fiscal records, books, documents, papers, plans, and writing shall be retained by Contractor and kept accessible for a minimum of three years, except as required longer by law, following final payment and termination of this Contract, or until the conclusion of any audit, controversy, or litigation arising out of or related to this Contract, whichever date is later. All subcontracts shall also comply with these provisions.

Independent Contractor.

A. Contractor shall perform the work required by this Contract as an "Independent Contractor." Although the County reserves the right to determine the delivery schedule for the work to be performed and to evaluate the quality of the completed performance, the County cannot and will not control the means or manner of the Contractor's performance. The Contractor shall comply promptly with any requests by the County relating to the emphasis or relative emphasis to be placed on various aspects of the work or to such other matters pertaining to the work under this Contract. Contractor is responsible for determining the appropriate means and manner of performing the work.

B. Contractor represents and warrants that Contractor is not an employee of the County, is not currently employed by the Federal Government, and is not an officer, employee or agent of the County.

C. Contractor shall be responsible for all federal or state taxes applicable to any compensation or payments paid to Contractor under this Contract. Contractor is not eligible for any federal Social Security, unemployment insurance, or workers' compensation benefits from compensation or payments paid to Contractor under this Contract.

D. Contractor agrees to immediately provide the County notice of any claim made against Contractor by any third party. Contractor also agrees not to assign to any third party, without the County's written consent, any obligation of the County to indemnify Contractor for any actions under this Contract.

Indemnification. The Contractor shall protect, hold free and harmless, defend and indemnify the County including its officers, agents and employees from all liability, penalties, costs, losses, damages, expenses, causes of action, claims or judgments (including Attorney's fees) resulting from injury to, or death of, any person or damage to property of any kind, which injury, death or damage arises out of, or is in any way connected with the performance of the work or failure to perform its obligations under this Contract. This obligation of indemnification shall apply to any acts or omissions, negligent conduct, whether active or passive, including acts or omissions of Contractor's agents or employees; except that it shall not be applicable to injury, death or damage to the property arising from the sole negligence of Wicomico County, its officers, agents and employees.

Use of County Facilities. Contractor and its employees or agents shall have the right to use only those facilities of the County that are necessary to perform the services under this Contract and shall have no right of access to any facility of the County without prior approval of County Administration. County shall have no responsibility for the loss, theft, mysterious disappearance of or damage to equipment, tools, materials, supplies, and other personal property of Contractor or its employees, subcontractors or agents which may be stored on County premises.

Force Majeure. Neither the County nor Contractor shall be held responsible for delay or default caused by fire, riot, acts of God, County declaration of emergency, or war where such cause was beyond, respectively, the County's or Contractor's reasonable control. The County and Contractor shall make all reasonable efforts to remove or eliminate such a cause of delay or default and shall, upon the cessation of the cause, diligently pursue performance of its obligations under this Contract.

Third Party Beneficiaries. The County and Contractor are the only parties to this Contract and are the only parties entitled to enforce its terms. Nothing in this Contract gives, is intended to give, or shall be construed to give or provide any benefit or right, whether directly, indirectly, or otherwise, to third persons unless such third persons are individually identified by name herein and expressly described as intended beneficiaries of the terms of this Contract.

Survival. The terms, conditions, representations, and all warranties contained in this Contract shall survive the termination or expiration of this Contract.

Time is of the essence. Time is of the essence in Contractor's performance of each and every obligation and duty under this Contract.

Severability/Waiver. The County and Contractor agree that, if any term or provision of this Contract is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and provisions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if the Contract did not contain the particular term or provision held to be invalid. The failure of either party to enforce any provision of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver by that party of that or any other provision of this Contract.

Governing Law. This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland and Wicomico County without regard to principles of conflicts of law.

Whole Contract. This Contract constitutes the complete and exclusive statement of the Contract between the parties relevant to the purpose described herein and supersedes all prior agreements or proposals, oral or written, and all other communication between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Contract.

Counterparts. This Contract may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original, all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Sikaflex®-15 LM

High-performance, low-modulus elastomeric sealant

Construction

Description	Sikaflex-15 LM is a low-modulus, high-performance, 1-component, polyurethane-based, non-sag elastomeric sealant. Meets Federal Specification TT-S-00230C, Type II, Class A; ASTM C-920, Type S, Grade NS, Class 100/50, use T, NT, G, A, O, M; Federal Specification for silicones - TT-S-001543 A, Type non-sag. Tested in accordance with ASTM C-1382 for use in EIFS systems.
Where to use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Excellent for moving joints in vertical applications. ■ Suitable for use between similar as well as dissimilar materials. ■ Typical applications include joints in concrete panel and wall systems, around window and door frames, reglets, flashing, common roofing detail applications, etc. ■ Exceptional sealant choice for high-rise and facade applications where high movement capability is required. ■ An effective sealant for use in Exterior Insulation Finish Systems (EIFS).
Advantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Low modulus of elasticity. ■ Easy and ready to use. ■ Eliminates time, effort, waste, and equipment clean-up. ■ Cures to a durable, flexible consistency. ■ Exceptional cut and tear resistance. ■ Stress relaxation properties. ■ Excellent adhesion. ■ Bonds to most construction materials without a primer. ■ Paintable with water-, oil- and rubber based paints. ■ Excellent resistance to aging, weathering. ■ Jet fuel resistant. ■ Proven in tough climates around the world. ■ Non-leaching. ■ Capable of +100% / -50% joint movement. ■ Two-hour UL fire rating when used with Ultra Block®.
Coverage	10.1 fl. oz. cartridge seals 12.4 lineal ft. of 1/2 in. x 1/4 in. joint. 20 fl. oz. uni-pac sausage seals 24 lineal ft. of 1/2 in. x 1/4 in. joint.

Typical Data (Material and curing conditions @ 73°F (23°C) and 50% R.H.)

RESULTS MAY DIFFER BASED UPON STATISTICAL VARIATIONS DEPENDING UPON MIXING METHODS AND EQUIPMENT, TEMPERATURE, APPLICATION METHODS, TEST METHODS, ACTUAL SITE CONDITIONS AND CURING CONDITIONS.

Shelf Life	10.1 fl. oz. cartridges	12 months
	20 fl. oz. uni-pac sausages	12 months
	5 gal. pails	6 months
	55 gal. drums	6 months
Storage Conditions	Store at 40°-95°F. Condition material to 65°-75°F before using.	
Colors	White, Colonial White, Aluminum Gray, Limestone, Black, Dark Bronze, Capitol Tan, Off-White, Beige, Almond, Coping Stone, Aluminum Stone, Medium Bronze, Redwood Tan, Hartford Green and Stone. Special colors on request (min. volume).	
Application Temperature	40° to 100°F. Sealant should be installed when joint is at mid-range of its anticipated movement.	
Service Range	-40° to 170°F (-40° to 75°C)	
Curing Rate	Tack-free time	4 to 8 hours (TT-S-00230C)
	Tack-free to touch	3 hours
	Final cure	7 to 10 days
Recovery	>80%	
Shore A Hardness (ASTM D-2240)	21 day	25 ± 5
Tensile Properties (ASTM D-412)	21 day	
	Tensile Stress	125 psi (.86 MPa)
	Elongation at Break	700%
	Modulus of Elasticity	25% 20 psi (.13 MPa)
		50% 35 psi (.24 MPa)
		100% 50 psi (.34 MPa)
Adhesion in Peel (TT-S-00230C)		
Substrate	Peel Strength	Adhesion Loss
Aluminum	25 lb.	0%
Glass	25 lb.	0%
Concrete	30 lb.	0%
Weathering Resistance	Excellent	
Chemical Resistance	Good resistance to water, diluted acids, and diluted alkalines. Not normally for fully immersed conditions. Consult Technical Service for specific data.	



Packaging Disposable 10.1 fl. oz., moisture-proof composite cartridges, 24/case; and uni-pac sausages 20 fl. oz., 20/case. Available on special order: 5 gal. pails, 55 gal. drums.

How to Use
Surface Preparation Clean all surfaces. Joint walls must be sound, clean, dry, frost-free, and free of oil and grease. Curing compound residues and any other foreign matters must be thoroughly removed. A roughened surface will also enhance bond. Install bond breaker tape or backer rod to prevent bond at base of joint.

Priming Priming is typically not necessary. Most substrates only require priming if testing indicates a need, i.e. due to excessively porous substrate. Consult Sikaflex Primer Technical Data Sheet or Technical Service for complete information as to primer requirements.

Note: Most Exterior Insulation Finish Systems (EIFS) manufacturers recommend the use of a primer. When EIFS manufacturer specifies a primer or if on-site bond testing indicates a primer is necessary, Sikaflex 429 primer is recommended. On-site adhesion testing is recommended with final system prior to the start of a job.

Application Recommended application temperatures, 40°-100°F. For cold-weather applications, pre-conditioning units to approximately 70°F is recommended. Only apply sealant to clean, sound, dry, and frost-free substrates. Sikaflex-15 LM should be applied into joints when joint slot is at mid-point of its designed expansion and contraction. Place nozzle of gun into bottom of the joint filling entire joint. Keep nozzle in the sealant, and continue on with a steady flow of sealant preceding the nozzle to avoid air entrapment. Avoid overlapping of sealant to eliminate entrapment of air. Tool sealant to ensure full contact with joint walls and remove air entrapment. Joint dimension should allow for 1/4 inch minimum and 1/2 inch maximum thickness for sealant. Proper design is 2:1 width to depth ratio.

Limitations

- Allow 1 week cure at standard conditions when using Sikaflex-15 LM in total water immersion situations and prior to painting.
- Maximum depth of sealant must not exceed 1/2 in.; minimum depth is 1/4 in.
- Do not cure in the presence of curing silicone sealants.
- Avoid contact with alcohol, and other solvent cleaners, during cure.
- When overcoating, an on site test is recommended to determine compatibility.
- Do not apply when moisture-vapor-transmission condition exists from the substrate, as this can cause bubbling within the sealant.
- Use opened cartridges and uni-pac sausages the same day.
- When applying sealant, avoid air-entrapment.
- Since system is moisture-cured, permit sufficient exposure to air.
- White color tends to yellow slightly when exposed to ultraviolet rays.
- Light colors can yellow if exposed to direct gas fired heating elements.
- The ultimate performance of Sikaflex-15 LM depends on good joint design and proper application. With joint surfaces properly prepared and sealed, movement of +100% -50% can be tolerated.
- Do not use in contact with bituminous/asphaltic materials.
- Joint sealant needs to be recessed in properly designed traffic bearing joint.

Caution **WARNING: IRRITANT, SENSITIZER.** Contains Polyisocyanate Prepolymer (Mixture), Xylene (CAS 1330-20-7). Causes eye irritation. May cause skin/respiratory irritation. May cause skin and/or respiratory sensitization after prolonged contact. May be harmful if swallowed. Reports have associated repeated and prolonged exposure to some of the chemicals in this product with permanent brain, liver, kidney and nervous system damage. Headaches and dizziness may result. **Deliberate misuse by inhalation of vapors may be harmful or fatal. Strictly follow all usage, handling and storage instructions.**

Handling & Storage Avoid direct contact. Wear personal protective equipment (chemical resistant goggles/gloves/clothing) to prevent direct contact with skin and eyes. Use only in well ventilated areas. Open doors and windows during use. Use a properly fitted NIOSH respirator if ventilation is poor. Wash thoroughly with soap and water after use. Remove contaminated clothing and launder before reuse. Store in cool dry well ventilated area.

Cleanup Use personal protective equipment (chemical resistant gloves/ goggles/clothing). Without direct contact, remove spilled or excess product and placed in suitable sealed container. Dispose of excess product and container in accordance with applicable environmental regulations.

First Aid Measures **Eyes:** Hold eyelids apart and flush thoroughly with water for 15 minutes. **Skin:** Remove contaminated clothing. Wash skin thoroughly for 15 minutes with soap and water. **Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air. **Ingestion:** Do not induce vomiting. Dilute with water. Contact physician. **In all cases contact a physician immediately if symptoms persist.**

Linear Feet of Sealant per Gallon

Width	Depth	
	Inches	
1/4	308.0	
1/2	154.0	77.0
3/4	102.7	51.3
1	77.0	38.5
1 1/2	61.6	30.8
1 3/4	51.3	25.7

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