Composite Marine Range for FRP Tooling and Boat Construction
Scott Bader has been the undisputed expert in Marine resin and gelcoat technology for nearly 60 years. It pioneered the use of fibre reinforced plastic (FRP) in the marine industry and a Scott Bader resin was used in the first ever composite boat – the Tod 12 Dinghy.

Scott Bader has been leading the field of marine composites through an endless drive for future innovations. The Crystic® product range has been widely used by the world’s leading boat builders. Crystic® products have a reputation not only for creating exceptional aesthetics and producing unmatched performance, but also for providing long term protection from weathering. Scott Bader also has an industry-leading technical support service available.

**Achieving Environmental Standards**

To avoid legislative action, it is important to ensure that manufacturing operations meet the latest emission standards. Achieving these standards also creates a better working environment for employees.

Scott Bader was again ahead of its time, when it introduced a low styrene emission resin over 30 years ago. Scott Bader also now promotes a whole range of products and processes that reduce the environmental impact of composites, including closed mould systems which virtually eliminate polluting emissions and the innovative application of Crystic® Crestomer structural adhesives in bulkheads.

**Working Partnerships**

Scott Bader is a Commonwealth company. It is not owned by shareholders, the employees own the company. It cannot be taken over or be forced to merge with other companies. This means that customers are confident that Scott Bader can provide long term working partnerships designing and supplying the products they need for years to come.

**Satisfying Your Needs**

Scott Bader has specifically designed a wide range of marine products to match the varying needs of your customers. The remainder of the brochure describes the solutions you are looking for.
Quality Assured

Scott Bader’s rigorous development programme ensures that all new gelcoats are tested under the most extreme conditions, including external weathering using EMMAQUA® in the Arizona desert and 12 months continuous exposure in Florida.

In addition, when each batch of gelcoat is manufactured at Scott Bader, it has to pass stringent Q.C tests to ensure consistent quality, colour, surface finish and handling.

Customer Experiences

“Hi Spec Plastics have been in business since 1968 designing and manufacturing liferaft containers. Over the years we have tried and tested a number of different tooling gelcoats but none have exhibited the performance excellence of Crystic 14PA. One of the moulds produced using 14PA has had over 4,000 lifts over a number of years with no evidence of dulling, crazing or cracking of the gelcoat surface. Crystic 14PA has exceeded all our expectations for a tooling gelcoat and we strongly suggest you try it.”

Gary Bates -
Managing Director, Hi Spec Plastics.

“We have been working with Scott Bader for many years and are extremely happy with the level of service we receive. Scott Bader has the best products on the market for the marine industry which in turn helps us ensure our products are of the highest quality”.

John Rudge -
Purchasing Manager, Fairline Boats.

“Scott Bader’s unique, innovative products have allowed us to keep our competitive edge. We have been able to make valuable savings both in time and labour costs, without compromising on quality.”

Chris Gates, Operations Director, Princess Yachts

“What could we do for you?”

“Scott Bader has been supplying Chantier AMEL for 20 years. The technical service and the quality of products meet our requirements to our utmost satisfaction.”

Monsieur Jacky MALEIX
Production Manager, Chantier AMEL
Crystic Matched Performance Systems
Provide Ultimate Aesthetics and Blistering Resistance

Over 30 years ago Scott Bader designed the concept of chemically matching the performance of products to work synergistically and successfully tackle the phenomenon of osmosis, or blistering. After decades of commercial use, the benefits of using Crystic® Matched Performance Systems have been shown to extend beyond eliminating blistering and creating exceptional aesthetics. You can also expect:

- improved strength and rigidity
- greater strength to weight ratios
- better fuel economy and performance
- superior water resistance

Optimum Laminate Construction

Crystic Product Range

In addition to the Matched Performance Systems, Scott Bader has an extensive gelcoat, resin and pigment paste range not covered in this brochure. Please ask your local Scott Bader contact for more details.
# Matched Performance Range Overview

## Gelcoats

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<td>LS 30PA</td>
<td>The ultimate u.v. resistant Iso/NPG spray gelcoat with superb gloss retention, water resistance and toughness.</td>
<td>Thix. 9</td>
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<td>LS 31PA</td>
<td>The ultimate u.v. resistant Iso/NPG brush gelcoat with superb gloss retention, water resistance and toughness.</td>
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<td>LS 97PA</td>
<td>An exceptional isophthalic spray gelcoat with excellent u.v. resistance, gloss retention and water resistance.</td>
<td>Thix. 7</td>
<td>51</td>
<td>3.8</td>
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<td>LS 88PA</td>
<td>An exceptional isophthalic brush gelcoat with excellent u.v. resistance, gloss retention and water resistance.</td>
<td>Thix. 8</td>
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<td>Crestacoat 5000PA</td>
<td>The ultimate barriercoat for industry-leading surface aesthetics.</td>
<td>Thix. 25</td>
<td>17</td>
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<td>VE679PA</td>
<td>Vinyl ester / DCPD skincoat giving optimum aesthetics and osmosis resistance.</td>
<td>Thix. 23</td>
<td>52</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>2.1</td>
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<td>489PA</td>
<td>Isophthalic skincoat with excellent durability and blister resistance.</td>
<td>Thix. 12</td>
<td>76</td>
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<td>High performance low styrene DCPD modified resin to create an enhanced surface finish.</td>
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<td>46</td>
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<td>Orthophthalic resin with low styrene emission, low exotherm and long geltime.</td>
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<td>2.406PA</td>
<td>Orthophthalic resin with low styrene emission, low exotherm and rapid wet out.</td>
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<td>2.446PA</td>
<td>Orthophthalic resin with low styrene emission, rapid wet out and fast hardening ideal for rapid mould turnaround.</td>
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<td>Closed mould isophthalic resin with low viscosity and controlled exotherm characteristics.</td>
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<td>Closed mould orthophthalic resin with low viscosity and controlled exotherm characteristics.</td>
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<td>VE676-03</td>
<td>Closed mould non-accelerated and non-thixotropic epoxy bisphenol vinyl ester resin.</td>
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<td>110</td>
<td>75</td>
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<td>Pre-accelerated, non-thixotropic VE/DCPD resin for vacuum infusion.</td>
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<td>64</td>
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*A variety of cure systems were used. Please see individual product datasheets for more information.*
Crystic Crestomer® structural adhesives were formulated specifically for the Fibre Reinforced Plastics (FRP) industry. They are based on Scott Bader’s unique urethane acrylate technology and they exhibit exceptional impact strength, flexibility and toughness.

The Crystic Crestomer® pedigree was established over 25 years ago. The first commercial application for Crystic Crestomer® adhesive was in the manufacture of minehunters. The unique properties of Crystic Crestomer® ensured peel and crack resistance was significantly improved. Crystic Crestomer® is the only successful material specifically designed to meet this demanding application.

Product Range Overview

Crystic Crestomer® structural adhesives are available with a range of curing schedules to suit a variety of applications.

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<td>High Performance Structural Adhesive</td>
<td>Lloyds Acceptance</td>
<td>Mauve Gel</td>
<td>*50</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>1400</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>Structural adhesive for demanding applications</td>
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<td>1153PA</td>
<td>High Performance Structural Adhesive with longer open time</td>
<td>Lloyds Acceptance</td>
<td>Mauve Gel</td>
<td>*90</td>
<td>26</td>
<td>1400</td>
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<td>Structural adhesive for demanding applications / larger components</td>
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<td>1186PA</td>
<td>Multi Purpose Structural Adhesive</td>
<td>Lloyds Acceptance</td>
<td>Grey Paste</td>
<td>*50</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>800</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>High strength gap filling adhesive</td>
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<td>1196PA</td>
<td>Structural Core bonding Adhesive</td>
<td>Lloyds Acceptance</td>
<td>Pink Paste</td>
<td>*50</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>1300</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Low density adhesive specifically developed for demanding core bonding applications</td>
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<td>1151A</td>
<td>Advantage Adhesive For Bulk Application Amine Accelerated</td>
<td>Lloyds Acceptance</td>
<td>Green / Yellow Gel</td>
<td>**25</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>500</td>
<td>&gt;100</td>
<td>Structural adhesive for demanding applications</td>
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<td>Advantage 30</td>
<td>High Performance Structural Adhesive pre-packed in cartridges</td>
<td>Lloyds Acceptance</td>
<td>White Paste</td>
<td>30</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>340</td>
<td>&gt;85</td>
<td>High performance structural adhesive for convenience and flexibility</td>
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*2% Butanox® M-50 at 25°C   **2% Perkadox® BT-50 at 25°C
Crestomers In Action

Today, Crystic Crestomer® structural adhesives are used throughout the marine industry, where customers appreciate the enormous benefits associated with:

- vastly improved performance
- improved working environments
- lighter structures
- lower overall costs

Decks to Hull Bonding
- Crestomer 1152PA
- Crestomer 1153PA
- Crestomer 1186PA
- Crestomer Advantage 30

Core Bonding
- Crestomer 1196PA

Bulkhead Bonding
- Crestomer 1152PA
- Crestomer 1153PA

Engine Bed Stiffeners / Stringer Bonding
- Crestomer 1152PA
- Crestomer 1153PA
- Crestomer 1186PA

Small Fixings
- Crestomer Advantage 30 cartridges

Fillet joints using Crestomer

Bulkhead fixing viewed from above
Crystic® Bonding Pastes are designed specifically for applications requiring a high performance adhesive that offers advantages that include improved productivity and considerable weight savings. Crystic® Bonding Pastes have been carefully formulated for ease of application and have exceptional handling properties. The range boasts a choice of gel times and densities to suit all applications.

### Product Range Overview

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<th>INITIAL COLOUR</th>
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<td>BP 90-78PA</td>
<td>Fast cure orthophthalic gap filler/bonding paste for GRP and wood substrates</td>
<td>White</td>
<td>White</td>
<td>1.2</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>N.A</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>10.5</td>
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<tr>
<td>BP 90-79PA</td>
<td>Fast cure orthophthalic gap filler/bonding paste for GRP and wood substrates</td>
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<td>Grey</td>
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<td>4</td>
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<td>BP 90-80PA</td>
<td>Orthophthalic bonding paste reinforced with 3mm glass fibres</td>
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<td>White</td>
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<td>22</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>0.8</td>
<td>9.7</td>
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<td>BP 90-81PA</td>
<td>Orthophthalic lightweight bonding paste</td>
<td>Bluish</td>
<td>White</td>
<td>0.7</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>7.3</td>
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<td>BP 90-82PA</td>
<td>General purpose orthophthalic bonding paste</td>
<td>Bluish</td>
<td>White</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>12</td>
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<td>BP 90-83PA</td>
<td>Flexible general purpose orthophthalic bonding paste</td>
<td>Bluish</td>
<td>White</td>
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<td>N.A</td>
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<td>BP 90-84PA</td>
<td>Orthophthalic lightweight bonding paste with low exotherm</td>
<td>Bluish</td>
<td>Cream</td>
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<td>N.A</td>
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<td>6.0</td>
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Create The Ultimate Surface Finish
With Crystic Crestacoat® 5000PA

Simply add 1mm directly behind the gelcoat layer to achieve a high definition, mirror-like deep lustre gelcoat surface.

- Eliminates fibre pattern and orange peel.
- Improves laminate flexibility helping to prevent gelcoat cracking.
- Lightweight formulation means only 600g/m² is needed.
- Easy application - brush and spray variants available.

Proven Blistering Resistance
A rigorous 12-month test has shown that Crystic® Crestacoat® 5000PA can be used with confidence in a marine environment when used with a vinyl ester skincoat. This proven blistering resistance means it can be used both above and below the waterline.

Outstanding Performance
The wavescan graph shows data comparing combinations of different skincoats and barriercoats. The red line depicts gelcoat without barriercoat and it shows a significantly rougher surface than those surfaces with a barriercoat layer. A range of barriercoats have been tested, including vinyl ester and polyester barriercoats, but Crystic® Crestacoat 5000PA with its unique urethane acrylate chemistry has been proven to produce the smoothest surfaces, shown by the green and black lines. In practical terms, this means that problems with orange peel and fibre pattern are eliminated. Crystic® Crestacoat 5000PA backed with Crystic® VE679PA (black line) shows surface aesthetics superior to all other combinations. This combination produces results that would even significantly outperform many spray painted parts in the automotive industry.
Crystic Matched Tooling System

The quality of your mouldings can only be as good as the quality of your mould, therefore it is essential that an appropriate quality of tooling system is used.

Scott Bader’s new high performance Matched Tooling System* achieves an excellent standard of mould production using chemically matched products that work together.

The benefits of this tooling system include:

- Significantly increases the lifetime of moulds in production
- Enhanced gloss finish and gloss retention compared to competitive products
- Easy to apply to required thickness
- Trouble-free de-moulding even complicated shapes
- Reduced water marking
- Reduced fibre print through resulting in a much smoother gelcoat surface
- Fast mould production

**PLUG PREPARATION**

It is also important to ensure the plug is of a high standard, as this will affect the quality of the mould.

1. **Apply Crystic Primecoat to plug and polish**
   - Primecoat is designed for rapid top quality surfacing of patterns

2. **Apply Crystic Glosscoat to plug and polish**
   - Glosscoat is used alongside Primecoat to give a glossy, highly durable surface finish

Apply release agents at this stage before continuing with tool construction

**TOOL CONSTRUCTION**

1. **Apply Crystic Gelcoat 14PA**
   - 14PA is a vinyl ester brush gelcoat with excellent heat and chemical resistance, high impact strength and superior gloss. Advised for elimination of water-marking.

2. **Apply Crystic VE679PA Skincoat**
   - VE679PA Skincoat is an easy to use vinyl ester / DCPD skincoat which significantly reduces the occurrence of fibre print through.

3. **Apply Crystic RTR 4000PA or Conventional Construction Resin – Crystic 474PA**
   - RTR 4000PA is a pre-accelerated low profile, thixotropic resin specifically designed for rapid tool making. It has improved shrinkage control giving good handling and rapid cure. It is catalysed with MEKP.
   - 474PA is a thixotropic, pre-accelerated polyester resin with good heat and chemical resistance properties. It is ideally suitable for the production of heat resistant, dimensionally stable moulds.

*The complete Matched Tooling Range may not be available in all European countries. Please contact your local Scott Bader representative for more details.*
Crystic Mouldguard

Often, decommissioned moulds are stored outside where they are subjected to standing water, UV light, dirt and frost. Under these conditions moulds can become damaged or scratched. Many hours are usually wasted repairing moulds, cleaning and polishing the gelcoat surface ready for use. Most moulders would agree that they rarely achieve the same quality of surface that they had before storage.

Temporary Protective Coating

Crystic® Mouldguard is our peelable temporary protective coating for moulds so eliminating the need for costly repairs. Moulds are back in production significantly quicker and with much less labour required than with other traditional techniques. Mouldguard is weather-resistant in warm or wet conditions for at least 12 months. Brush and spray variants are available.

Extremely Easy Handling

To use, simply add 2% MEKP catalyst and either brush or spray a single coat onto the mould surface, which must have a release agent. This single coat will cure quickly to give a weather-resistant tight plastic film which can be peeled away easily revealing a perfectly clean surface.

Customer Experiences

“We have tried a number of other protection coatings and Crystic® Mouldguard out performs them all”
Shaun Davy - Princess Yachts International

“The best thing about Crystic® Mouldguard is that our moulds look as good after long term storage as they did before they went outside – normally they have dulled and no amount of polishing can get the original gloss back.”
Derek Palmer – Northshore Yachts

“Crystic® Mouldguard is an excellent product which has saved us a significant amount of time bringing stored moulds back into production. A typical mould of 4.5m squared has saved us 2 hours in labour using Crystic® Mouldguard. We are very happy with the product.”
Duncan James - Henleycraft
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