

Schat-Harding Lifeboat Bonded with Crestomer® 1152PA Withstands Impact After Freefalling 65.1 Metres

Company Profile: Schat-Harding Equipment AS

Location: Rosendal, Norway

- Global market leader in marine life saving systems and offers the largest worldwide service network in the industry.
- Design, manufacture and service a wide range of products to enable the safe evacuation of crews, passengers and offshore workers. These include innovative lifeboats, davits, winches and rescue boats.
- Schat-Harding Equipment AS' head office is in Norway and has production facilities in Europe, Asia and USA.
- Operating in 13 different countries, there are 25 offices and more than 60 stations to form a service network while employing more than 800 employees.

Schat Harding set a **freefalling lifeboat record** with their **FF1200 boat** that successfully dropped from a height of **65.1 metres** as part of their boat certification tests. The FF1200 was specifically designed to facilitate the evacuation of rigs and installations in heavy seas and comply to **new more stringent standards**.

The nose had to withstand the full force on impact and then was fully submerged to a depth of over 10 metres before resurfacing.

As offshore installations get larger, there is a greater need for the ability to drop safely and without any structural damage from greater heights.



Adhesive Application

Crestomer® 1152PA

Crestomer adhesive 1152PA was used for bonding stringers, bulkheads in the hull, canopies and bonding innerliners together with the hull.

Application Using Crestomer 1152PA to bond GRP to GRP.

- Applied to stringers, bulkheads, innerliners and canopies.
- Adhesive applied by bulk dispenser.

Advantages Excellent adhesion between GRP and GRP.

- Tough enough to withstand not only the rough offshore conditions but also the massive impact that freefalling boats are exposed to when falling from high heights.
- Production speed can be increased without sacrificing quality needed to meet high standards set by the offshore industry.
- Cure time of adhesive tailored to production process.
- Improved working environment through bulk application of adhesive.
- Improved impact strength while keeping structure as light as possible.



Benefits/Advantages

- ✓ Greater confidence and trust in product and supplier performance
- Excellent adhesive properties when bonding GRP to GRP
- Product maintains high impact strength. This enables it to withstand the tough conditions that they are exposed to
- Helps keep the structure as light as possible without sacrificing strength
- ✓ Increased speed of production through excluding mechanical fixing thus leading to increased output
- ✓ Technology developed and fully supported by Scott Bader

Customer Quote

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The Crestomer range gives us opportunities to **increase** our **speed** of production and at the same time keeping the **quality** of our lifeboats to the **highest standards** set by the offshore industry.

Scott Bader and its unique structure with commonwealth ownership, excellent products and their focus on innovation gives us full confidence in both product and supplier relationship.

Arvid Skogseide, Factory Manager.

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