# elcometer 106 Adhesion Tester

## Can be used in accordance with ASTM D451, ISO 4624 and BS EN 24624 test methods



The Elcometer 106 is a fully portable adhesion tester which uses the measurement principle of bonding a dolly to the coating using an adhesive and then applying a lift force to the dolly using the spring arrangement housed within the Elcometer 106.

When the dolly is pulled off the surface, an indicator on the scale shows the numerical value of adhesion expressed in terms of the force required to remove the dolly.

The Elcometer 106 is available in 5 versions to test from low adhesion values of 0.05MPa up to 5 - 22MPa

#### **Features**

Instrument Dimensions	Height:	152mm	Gross Weight of Kit in case	
	Diameter:	76mm	Scales 1, 2 and 5:	2.1Kg
Dolly Size	Diameter:	20mm	Scale 3:	3.4Kg
	Area:	314mm <sup>2</sup>	Scale 4:	3.6Kg

# **Specifications**

			MegaPascal	Newton mm sq	Kg per sq cm	lbs per sq inch
F1061	Elcometer 106	Scale 1	0 - 3.5 MPa	0 - 3.5 Newton.mm sq	0 - 35.7 kg/cm sq	0 - 500 psi
F1062	Elcometer 106	Scale 2	0 - 7 MPa	0 - 7 Newton.mm sq	0 - 71.4 kg/cm sq	0 - 1000 psi
F1063	Elcometer 106	Scale 3	0 - 15 MPa	0 - 15 Newton.mm sq	0 - 153 kg/cm sq	0 - 2000 psi
F1064	Elcometer 106	Scale 4	0 - 22 MPa	0 - 22 Newton.mm sq	0 - 224.4 kg/cm sq	0 - 3200 psi
F1065	Elcometer 106	Scale 5	0 - 0.2 MPa	0 - 0.2 Newton.mm sq	0 - 2.04 kg/cm sq	0 - 30 psi

### **Part Numbers - Spares**

T1061302- Spare Cutter	T1062914- 5 x 40mm Large Dollies"
T1062589- Spare Araldite Twin Pack Adhesive	T1062923- Spare Dolly Clamp
T1062895- Spare Dollies (100)	T1062915- Base Ring for Large Dollies

T1062904- Spare Base Ring (Large Dollies are ideal for testing coatings on Rough Surfaces like Concrete)

Shipping List: Elcometer 106, 20 Dollies, Araldite Adhesive Pack, Base Support Ring, Magnetic Clamp, Cutter, Ratchet Spanner (Scales 3 and 4 only), Carry Case and Operating Instructions.

# Results obtained from tests with the Elcometer 106 Adhesion Tester

Paint Systems		Other Systems	
N/mm sq (Mpa)	Comment	N/mm sq (Mpa)	Comment
0 - 0.3	Blistered. Coating feels loose to the touch.	3.5	Epoxy on concrete
0.3 - 0.7	Suspect adhesion or intercoat cohesion.	3.5 - 13.8	Polystyrene paint
0.7 - 3.5	System still soft. Not cured.	13.8 - 34.5	Polyvinyl acetate paint
>3.5	Testing to be specified forces	24.1 - 27.6	Alkyd paints
13.8	Material testing of thick coats	82.7	Zinc etch primer
		17.2 - 27.6	Flame sprayed metal on steel
		2.4 - 4.5	Primer on wood

**General Comments**: The above results are approximate figures and should be used as a guideline. Each tester produces a different failure mechanism at the test point. This means that there is little correlation between methods. Users should therefore refer to the testing specifications to ensure the correct test method is chosen.

**Glue selection**: The glue should be stronger than the bond being tested, it should not effect the coating, it should fully cure in local conditions.

Acrylic Paste: Slow curing, about 24 hrs, idela for rough & curved surfaces & for gaps eg Loctite Multi-bond 330

Cyano-acylate: Fast curing, about 45 min, eg Scotch M2000

Epoxy: a 2 part paste, heating in oven will cure in 30 min, good for rough & curved surfaces, not good for Shiny eg Araldite

These dollies can be used with the Elcometer 106 Scale 2 to test low adhesion, by dividing the reading by four.