CONSTRUCTION
RELIABLE AND DURABLE SOLUTIONS FOR PARKING STRUCTURES
PROTECTION FROM THE BASEMENT TO THE ROOF

COMPLETE PROTECTION OF PARKING STRUCTURES

Car parks provide protection to thousands of cars every day. However, what about the parking structures themselves? If the structure and building envelopes are not protected, or inadequately protected, this can cause owners and operators many unpleasant and costly surprises. Sika provides high quality products and systems to provide complete protection with no nasty surprises. The schematic below illustrates some of the key problem areas and the Sika solutions outlined this brochure.
PARKING STRUCTURES TODAY

INTRODUCTION
Parking has become a vital part of today’s mobile community, especially in metropolitan areas including airports, all of which are growing at an ever faster rate. This means continually providing more parking spaces by building new car parks and even more frequently extending and refurbishing existing ones.

Given the choice – Where would you park?
Successful parking structures are designed to meet the users demands, which usually include feeling safe and welcome, plus knowing that their cars are in a secure environment. Given the choice, people always park in bright and well lit car parks, where they feel that they, as well as their car and its contents will be safe and secure.

NEW BUILD
Parking structures are essential and are now fully integrated into modern architectural design. They are frequently built using “fasttrack” construction techniques, with as much off-site construction as possible, to reduce the disruption in urban areas. Therefore precast and prefabricated sections of steel frames with reinforced concrete decks and stairways are usually combined in composite structures for new car parks.

REFURBISHMENT
Most existing multi-storey car parks have been built since the 1950’s and they are predominantly of reinforced concrete construction. Many have a long history of early deterioration, structural defects and other shortcomings, which are primarily due to inadequate design, inadequate workmanship, inadequate materials, a lack of maintenance, or very often a combination of all of these factors.

THE EFFECTIVE PROTECTION OF NEW PARKING STRUCTURES WILL PREVENT COSTLY REFURBISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE IN THE FUTURE.
INVESTIGATION AND CONDITION SURVEYS OF EXISTING PARKING STRUCTURES

Parking structures have traditionally been built to ‘Building Standards’, yet their exposure is frequently similar to that of Civil Engineering structures built to much higher requirements, such as bridges. As a result, relatively rapid deterioration, particularly with reinforcement corrosion due to the ingress of water and de-icing salts, has led to the closure of many areas and even whole car parks, for costly repair, protection and even complete replacement. These bad experiences have served to highlight and emphasise the need for improved design, workmanship and the materials selected to ensure the more durable performance and public safety.

In order to discover the root causes of distress and deterioration in a parking structure, it is always essential to carry out a professional Condition Survey and Assessment, whilst it is obviously also important to balance the cost of this investigative work with the benefits that the results will provide. An appropriate survey is often the key to successfully designing the refurbishment, then maintaining and extending the service life of multi-storey parking structures.

TYPICAL EXPOSURE CONDITIONS IN PARKING STRUCTURES

Multi-storey and also underground car parks are subject to many different stresses from their daily use and exposure including:

- Wide temperature variations and fluctuations
- Rain, driving rain, snow and ice
- Atmospheric carbonation of the concrete
- De-icing salts effects
- Automotive fluids
- Traffic – vehicular and pedestrian
- Structural movement / settlement
- Groundwater
FLOORING SYSTEMS FOR GROUND BEARING SLABS

The epoxy resin based, rigid Sikafloor® MultiDur EB-14 is a standard solution to protect the ground bearing slab. With high wear and chemical resistance it is a cost effective standardised solution for typical ground floors in multi-storey car parks. When lower levels of exposure are anticipated, good protection can also be provided using Sikafloor® HardTop CS-23 W, which creates a monolithic concrete floor finish that is an economic solution for surface hardening and good wear resistance. In some buildings groundwater pressure can impose additional stress on the ground floor deck coating system from below, which can sometimes appear as blistering in flexible coatings and/or in delamination of larger area. In these situations a water vapor permeable coating system as Sikafloor® MultiDur WB-10, can relieve and accommodate this pressure without adverse effect on the resinous top coating system. The 30 year track record of Sikafloor® EpoCem systems providing solutions as a temporary moisture barrier (TMB) to allow successful resin coating system applications on green or damp concrete, clearly shows the ideal way to achieve durable long term success for applications on such challenging substrates. Sikafloor® EpoCem bonds perfectly to green or hardened concrete, whether dry or damp and uniquely therefore prevents osmotic blistering of resin based coatings over damp substrates. This system is also now known as Sikafloor® MultiDur EB-14 ECC.
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▪ Slip resistance  
▪ Color options | Sikafloor®-160 or 161  
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Quartz sand  
Sikafloor®-264 |
| Sikafloor® MultiDur EB-14 | Broadcast unicolor epoxy floor covering | 1.5 - 2 mm | ▪ Highwear resistance  
▪ Good mechanical resistance  
▪ Medium thermal shock resistance  
▪ Meets German Standard OS-8  
▪ Slip resistance  
▪ Color options | Sikafloor®-160 or 161  
Quartz sand  
Sikafloor®-264 |
| Sikafloor® MultiDur ET-14 | Textured Unicolor epoxy floor coating | 600 – 800um | ▪ Medium duty roller applied coating  
▪Warehouses floors  
▪ Car Parks coatings | Sikafloor®-160 or 161  
Sikafloor®-264T |
On intermediate decks the traffic can impart significant and often high stresses on the surface, into the concrete substrate and the whole structure. Therefore tough and rigid systems are used to protect against damage in a cost effective way. Sikaﬂoor® MultiDur and Multiflex systems are durable deck coating solutions.

In a filigree load carrying structure such as many modern parking structures, cracks are likely to form and then to open and close in the decks. Therefore Sika provides solutions that are elastic and crack-bridging as well as being extremely wear resistant to accommodate these cracks and the abrasive traffic loadings.

The Sikaﬂoor® Multiflex PB-32 and PB-32UV also tough elastic solutions with good crack bridging abilities for areas with more limited requirements in this respect.
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CONSTRUCTION RELIABLE AND DURABLE SOLUTION FOR PARKING STRUCTURES
Because of their exposure to the elements, the top decks and externally exposed areas of parking structures suffer not only from the diverse stresses of vehicular traffic and chemical attack, but the seasonal and daily thermal variations and fluctuations which cause significant dimensional changes in the structure and its components. The Sikafloor® parking structure systems are specifically designed to accommodate and where possible to absorb this stress and ensure the waterproofing and protection are maintained durably over time. In these exposed areas it is of course very important to properly plan the drainage and also the color of the decks. Lighter colors have higher solar reflectance and can therefore help in keeping a building cool. Sika provides system solutions for every application area and exposure requirements. Highly crack bridging systems based on polyurethane resin, are Sikafloor® Multiflex PB-55UV, PB-56 UV and PB 32UV all have utilise a UV stable top coat and can be used externally.

PB 55UV with its fully independant membrane is perfect for use over occupied spaces in conjuction with the Sika Combiflex system and is specifically designed for high traffic volume applications such as shopping centers and hospitals.

PB 56 UV is a highly crack bridging system suited for use over Non occupied spaces where dynamic cracks may be present, designed for lower traffic volumes and perfect for smaller residential carparks.

PB 32UV is a hard wearing static crack bridging system for use over non occupied spaces.

FLOORING SYSTEMS FOR TOP DECKS AND EXPOSED AREAS
Sikafloor® Elastic Systems

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**SYSTEM**

- **Sikafloor® MultiFlex PB-55 UV**
- **Sikafloor® MultiFlex PB-56 UV**
- **Sikafloor® MultiFlex PB-32 UV**

**DESCRIPTION**

- Broadcast car park deck flooring and waterproofing system with UV sealer over elastic membrane
- Broadcast colored crack bridging system with UV sealer
- Broadcast car park deck flooring and waterproofing system with top sealer with UV sealer

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**CHARACTERISTICS**

- Dynamic and static crack bridging properties (> -20°C)
- Meets German Standard OS-11a
- Abrasion resistance
- Waterproofing
- Color options
- Wear resistance
- Slip resistance
- High flexibility
- UV stability
- Color options
CAR PARK ENTRANCES AND RAMPS USUALLY HAVE THE HIGHEST TRAFFIC LOADING IN TERMS OF FREQUENCY, BREAKING AND ACCELERATION, SOMETIMES IN COMBINATION WITH HIGHER SPEEDS, WHICH DICTATE THE NEED FOR THE HIGHEST RESISTANCE AND DURABILITY AGAINST THIS STRESS. HIGH SLIP RESISTANCE IS FREQUENTLY AN ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT IN THESE AREAS, IN ORDER TO PREVENT CARS FROM CRASHING INTO KERBS, WALLS OR BARRIERS. SIKAFLOOR® MULTIDUR EB-14 IS A COST EFFECTIVE AND TOUGH, RIGID SYSTEM DESIGNED TO WITHSTAND THESE HIGH DEMANDS.

THE POLYURETHANE RESIN BASED SIKAFLOOR® MULTIFLEX PB-32 IS A TOUGH ELASTIC SYSTEM WHICH CAN ALSO ABSORB SOME SIGNIFICANT MOVEMENT OF THE STRUCTURE.

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL SIKA TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT TO HELP DESIGN AND SPECIFY THE RIGHT SYSTEM, TAILORED TO YOUR SPECIFIC NEEDS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION AND SERVICE IN EACH AREA.
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INNOVATIVE FLOOR JOINT SOLUTIONS

Hardly any vibrations noticeable and rapid return to service

FLOOR JOINTS IN PARKING GARAGE DECKS are a major challenge in both new construction and the refurbishment of existing structures, as their water tightness is one of the key factors for durability. With specially designed connection flanges, Sika® FloorJoint PD and Sika® FloorJoint PDRS are combined with Sikadur® Combiflex® SG to provide 100% watertight movement joints.

As previously mentioned in regard to modern parking structures and customer preference, the environment and aesthetics play an increasingly important role. In addition to creating a lot of undesirable traffic noise, traditional metal edged and mechanical movement joint systems have clear limitations where the joint line and widths are variable or complex in these situations. Also when noise reduction is specifically required the Sika® FloorJoint PD joint panel proves its strengths. This prefabricated carbon fibre reinforced polymer concrete panel fits seamlessly and virtually invisibly into the joints and with the adjacent resin coating systems and floor coverings.

In the difficult areas where ramps and deck/floor slabs connect, vertical movement in these joints can often occur and cause problems; there is also the potential for larger vertical joint movement caused by the extended length of the slabs. In these situations Sika® Floorjoint PDRS is the perfect solution as the concentric integral rubber seal allows for greater movement and at the same time it protects the watertight Sikadur® Combiflex® system from damage.

The top decks of car parks are generally uncovered in most countries and due to the temperature variation (Delta-T) from summer to winter, there will be greater expansion and contraction of the concrete deck slabs than in covered parking decks or underground car parks. The necessary joint locations, dimensions and movement capability must be calculated by the responsible structural engineer, and this then determines the right choice between Sika® Floorjoint PD and PDRS. Normally Sika® Floorjoint PDRS is more suitable for these externally exposed installations because of its higher movement capability.

The STUVA test institute in Cologne has special test equipment to simulate nearly 300,000 vehicle overruns at 50 Km/h, by truck tires with a weight of 10 tonnes. This test is much too severe to simulate a car park environment, but even when tested under these harsh conditions, both Sika® FloorJoint PD and Sika® Floorjoint PDRS achieved top results and remained completely intact.
Sika® FloorJoint PB-30 PD
For gaps in the substrate with a maximum width of 60 mm
(maximum positive joint movement = +40 mm)

1. Waterproofing Sikadur®-30 or Sikadur®-31 CF normal + Sikadur® Combiflex® SG-10 P
2. Backing rod Sika® Backing Rod, size according width of the joint
3. Adhesive Sikadur®-30 Normal or Sikadur®-31 Normal
4. Floor panel Sika® FloorJoint PD jointed with Sikaflex® Pro-3
5. Wearing course Selected Sikafloor® systems
6. Top coat e.g. Sikafloor®-359 N

CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES
- High mechanical and chemical resistance
- Non-corroding
- Waterproof system design possible
- Grindable profile for level integration into the floor surface
- Hardly any vibrations noticeable under direct car or forklift traffic
- Thermal expansion coefficient similar to resin-based floors
- Easy to install / Easy to repair
- Short downtime / Trafficable after 24 h

Sika® FloorJoint PB-30 PDRS
For gaps in the substrate with a maximum width of 50 mm
(maximum positive joint movement = +50 mm)

1. Adhesive Sikadur®-30 or Sikadur®-31 CF normal
2. Waterproofing Sikadur®-30 or Sikadur®-31 CF normal + Sikadur® Combiflex® SG-10 P
3. Floor panel with rubber seal Sika® Floorjoint PDRS, the rubber seal is bonded with SikaBond® TF plus N
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DETAILING SOLUTIONS TO LAST

DETAILS, SUCH AS JOINTS, COVING AND DRAINAGE CONNECTIONS need special attention in order to create a fully functioning protective deck coating system. The connections to different construction elements and components are all too frequently overlooked during the project planning stage.

However these are always crucial areas and where we can often find the root cause of leaks and the result can sometimes be a requirement to refurbish the whole building. Furthermore during the deck system application phase, usually towards the end of a building project, the temptation is often there to simplify the proper detailing solutions into something less secure, or even hidden out of sight, and the problems will eventually become apparent at some time in the future.

Investment in detailing solutions in the design office and onsite will be paid back many times over, so always ensure specific design focus and installation time on site for approved detailing solutions.

In areas where we don’t expect high stress from traffic and we don’t have to protect the structure from water we can use a simple joint solution with Sikaflex® Pro-3 sealant. Often used in combination with Sika® FloorJoint for areas with minor stress.

The connection to a drain is the most crucial connection, because water has to flow there and a failure would lead immediately to a leak. Drains with a flange, e.g. ACO® Deckline s100cf, to overcoat with the Sikafloor® car park coating providing a dense connection and therefore security over time.

LIGHT WEAR Sikafloor® JOINT SOLUTION WITH Sikaflex® PRO-3

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CONNECTION Sikafloor® CAR PARK COATING SYSTEM TO A DRAIN CHANNEL

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Sikafloor® COATING
SOLUTION FOR A
CONNECTION TO A FIXED
KERB IN A CAR PARK

With the seamless coved skirting, the Sikafloor® top coat can be applied seamlessly from the floor over the whole kerb. An other variant is to use a different color to bring out the kerb.

Sikafloor® COVING
SOLUTION FOR A FLOOR –
WALL CONNECTION WITH
EXPECTED MOVEMENT

To connect the Sikafloor® car park coating with a Sikagard® WallCoat often a coved skirting, made of epoxy mortar, is used. It’s easy to clean and the floor–wall connection is protected.

CONNECTION Sikafloor®
CAR PARK COATING SYSTEM
TO A CONCRETE COLUMN
OR STEEL PROFILE WITH
EXPECTED MOVEMENT

Connection between two elements, which are subject to movement, can be waterproofed using the Sikadur® Combiflex® System. With its hypalon membrane it ensures durable watertightness.
Sika has over 100 years of experience in providing below ground waterproofing solutions. The selection of the most appropriate waterproofing concept and system for any specific project is dependent on many factors, and it is important to involve a qualified waterproofing specialist at the early stages of design - for both new and refurbishment projects.

Underground car parking areas are no longer just utilitarian spaces, where a dark, damp and uninviting environment is acceptable. So once again to ensure the attractive appearance and an inviting, useable and saleable environment, the waterproofing of your buildings' basement is of the utmost importance, and it is also essential for the smooth operation of an underground car park.

This is in addition to the potentially disastrous consequences of damage caused by water ingress that could result in major additional costs during the life cycle of your structure and even significantly reduce its life span. Fortunately Sika has developed secure, proven waterproofing solutions for both new build and refurbishment of underground parking structures.

Contact your local Sika office for specific solutions for your project.
CAR PARK QUALITY CONCRETE PRODUCTION SOLUTIONS

In most modern developments reinforced concrete is used to form the foundations and below ground structure including any retaining walls. Additionally where steel would be too expensive or complex, reinforced concrete is also used for the structural framework of supporting columns, beams and the floor slabs – pretty much the whole of the overall building envelope. The importance of concrete quality and adequate performance specifications for what we know is an aggressive environment, wherever the parking structure is located, should not be underestimated.

The Sika solutions in this field include state-of-the-art concrete admixtures which are specifically designed to increase the concrete performance in terms of flow and compaction during placement and then to achieve higher strengths, increased watertightness and durability for a long service-life.

Sika’s local concrete experts will provide tailored bespoke solutions for design architects and engineers of parking structures. They work with their contractors and local concrete producers to create high performance concrete structures, including special surface effects as key visual design elements.

JOINT SEALING SOLUTIONS FOR FACADES AND PRECAST CONCRETE CONNECTIONS

Reliable watertight sealing of concrete movement, construction and connection joints is essential. These joint sealants do not only “fill the gaps” between concrete elements and other building materials or elements, their functions are much wider and more important. These joint sealants are used primarily to seal and waterproof these different forms of joint, and to connect similar or dissimilar elements in a flexible and accommodating way. This means that the materials must have excellent bonding properties to multiple substrates, maintain this and keep their flexibility for the long-term, whilst all the time being exposed to weathering and the environment of the location and the nature of the structures. So therefore including wide thermal variations, UV-light and de-icing salts to name just a few. Even after numerous contractions and expansions over many years they still have to prevent the ingress of water and aggressive pollutants into the structure. So would you specify and use “any old mastic” for this purpose on your structure – Best Not!

The requirements for excellent long term performance of joint sealant materials is obviously dependent on their use and exposure, e.g. type of joint, vertical or horizontal application, joint movement capability, mechanical and chemical resistance, trafficability, UV-light and color stability. The Sika range of joint sealing solutions is extensive and is designed to meet all of the joint sealing requirements in all types and areas of reinforced concrete parking structures.
CONCRETE REFURBISHMENT AND PROTECTION SYSTEMS

The prerequisite requirement for a car park flooring system is a sound concrete support structure and floor slabs. Therefore adequate monitoring and maintenance of the reinforced concrete is essential in order to ensure the designed service-life of both the protection systems and the structure itself. This includes:

- Protection of the embedded steel reinforcement
- Repair and/or replacement of any damaged and deteriorated concrete
- Protection of exposed concrete surfaces against mechanical, chemical and physical attack
- Strengthening of any areas or elements of the reinforced concrete structure that are unable to safely accommodate the anticipated static and dynamic loading

Successful concrete refurbishment starts with a detailed condition survey and assessment to identify the nature and extent of any damage, together with the root cause(s) of any degradation. It is only after this survey that an assessment of the appropriate repair and protection strategy and the best options for the repair and future protection works can be defined according to the relevant standards (e.g. European Standards EN 1504).

SIKA SOLUTIONS FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF PARKING STRUCTURES

Sika has a full range of well-proven products and systems for all aspects of concrete refurbishment, including many innovative solutions that are ideal for use on parking structures, for example:

- Steel reinforcement protection
- High performance repair mortars
- Protective water repelling hydrophobic impregnations
- High performance protective and aesthetic surface coatings
- Penetrating
- Corrosion inhibitors
- Joint sealing and waterproofing systems
- Structural strengthening systems

Specific Sika innovations include: repair mortars that can be applied under dynamic loading, e.g. to soffits whilst the car deck above is in use; plus targeted penetrating inhibitors and impregnations to reduce water ingress and active corrosion on embedded steel reinforcement e.g. against chloride attack.
Sika produces a full range of products and systems for structural and non-structural concrete repair, which includes reinforcement corrosion protection, bonding primers for difficult substrates, repair mortars with special properties surface smoothing and levelling mortars for finishing and use in specific site conditions e.g. extreme temperatures and moisture content variations etc..

SIKA CONCRETE REPAIR SYSTEMS

For structural concrete repair

Example of Sika repair system (R3)
- Reinforcement corrosion protection Sika MonoTop®-910 N/S
- Bonding primer (if necessary) Sika MonoTop®-910 N/S
- Repair mortar Sika MonoTop®-352 series
- Finishing mortar Sika MonoTop®-723 N

CHARACTERISTICS
- Class R3 repair system according to European Standard EN 1504-3
- Easy handling and application
- Higher yield (lightweight repair mortar)
- Sulphate resistance
- Very low shrinkage behavior (Sika MonoTop®-352 series)

For structural concrete repair with demanding requirements

Example of Sika repair system (R4)
- Reinforcement corrosion protection SikaTop®-Armatec®-110 EpoCem®
- Bonding primer (if necessary) SikaTop®-Armatec®-110 EpoCem®
- Repair mortar Sika MonoTop®-412 series
- Finishing mortar Sikagard®-720 EpoCem®

CHARACTERISTICS
- Class R4 repair system according to European Standard EN 1504-3
- Designed for demanding concrete repairs
- For hand and wet spray application
- Proved for repair work under dynamic loads
- Sulphate resistance
- Very Low shrinkage behavior (Sika MonoTop®-412 series)
SIKA CONCRETE PROTECTION SYSTEMS

To prevent further damage to concrete structures due to water ingress, carbonation, chloride or other aggressive chemical influences, concrete surfaces have to be protected. Sika produces a full range of surface-applied corrosion inhibitors, impregnations, hydrophobic impregnations and specialist rigid or flexible crack-bridging, colored protective coatings, which are designed to provide the necessary protection for reinforced concrete surfaces. This includes all of the structural elements, facades, walls and soffits of parking structures.

**Hydrophobic impregnation/corrosion inhibitor**

- Sikagard®-700 S
- Sikagard®-706 Thixo
- Sika® FerroGard®-903 Plus

**Surface applied corrosion requirements:**
- Sika® FerroGard®-903 Plus

**Hydrophobic impregnations for high protection requirements:**
- Sikagard®-706 Thixo
- Sikagard®-705 L

**Hydrophobic impregnations for moderate protection requirements:**
- Sikagard®-700 S

**CHARACTERISTICS**
- Unique, invisible protection system for steel bars and concrete surfaces
- High cost efficiency
- Easy to apply

**Rigid protective coating systems**

- Solution for standard requirements:
  - Sikagard®-550 W Elastic
- Solution for high performance requirements:
  - Sikagard®-580 S
  - BetonColor

**CHARACTERISTICS**
- Approved for low temperatures down to -20°C
- Water based system
- Good crack-bridging behavior
- Durable
- Long-term experience
- Easy cleaning
- Color options
- Low VOC

**Elastic protective coating systems**

- System for moderate crack bridging requirements:
  - Sikagard®-550 W Elastic
- System for high crack bridging requirements:
  - Sikagard®-550 W Elastic
- Waterborne Epoxy based, low emissions, high performance wall coating solution
  - Sikagard® WallCoat N

**CHARACTERISTICS**
- Complies with EN 1504-2
- Water based epoxy coating
- Low particle emissions
- Medium wear resistance
- Medium chemical resistance
- Smooth surface
- Easy cleaning
- Color options
- Low VOC

**Reactive resin protective coating system**

- Solution for high performance wall coating solution:
  - Sikagard®-WallCoat WS-11

**CHARACTERISTICS**
- Waterborne Epoxy based, low emissions, high performance wall coating solution
- Sikagard® WallCoat N

**Solution for standard requirements:**
- Sikagard®-550 W Elastic
SIKA STRUCTURAL STRENGTHENING SYSTEMS

Sika pioneered the development and use of composite systems for structural strengthening, especially with carbon fibre (CFRP) and other fibres with structural epoxy and other resin adhesives. These are now widely used in parking structures for:

- Flexural strengthening of beams and slabs
- Shear strengthening of beams
- Increasing the axial, shear and flexural capacity of columns
- Seismic strengthening

Some of these innovative system characteristics and advantages include:

- Lightweight, easy to handle and quick to install with minimal downtime or closure
- More strength and capacity than traditional steel solutions
- Minimal additional volume or weight is added to the structure
- Ideal for difficult access areas and overhead application

The Sika range provides the full range of carbon fibre reinforced polymer (CFRP) systems, including plates, fabrics, strings, anchors and pre-stressed/post-tensioned systems.

### Sika strengthening solutions

**Flexural strengthening**

- Carbon plate system Sikadur®-30 epoxy adhesive plus, Sika® CarboDur® carbon fiber reinforced plates (CFRP)
- Post-tensioning system Sikadur®-30 epoxy adhesives plus, Sika® CarboStress® (post-tensioning system)

**Shear strengthening**

- L-shape elements for beams Sikadur®-30 epoxy adhesive plus Sika® CarboShear prefabricated L-shape carbon fiber reinforced plates
- Fabric system Sikadur®-300/-330 epoxy adhesives plus SikaWrap® fabrics (carbon, glass)

**Confinement strengthening**

- High performance confinement system Sikadur®-300/-330 epoxy adhesives plus SikaWrap® fabrics (carbon, glass)

### CHARACTERISTICS

**Flexural strengthening**

- High tensile strength
- No corroding
- Low weight
- Easy handling
- Limit deflection and cracks, increased fatigue resistance (post-tensioning system)

**Shear strengthening**

- High tensile strength
- Unique L-shape system for reduced on-site labour
- Low weight
- No corroding

**Confinement strengthening**

- Adjustable shape
- Easy application
- Increase axial capacity of columns
- Seismic strengthening

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MEMBRANE WATERPROOFING SYSTEMS FOR PARKING STRUCTURES

SIKA PRODUCES SINGLE-PLY AND LIQUID APPLIED MEMBRANES designed for built-up parking deck and flat roofing systems, as well as thermal insulation and all of the required ancillary materials and accessories. More than 50 years of success in this field all around the world has now clearly documented that Sika parking deck and roof waterproofing solutions provide outstanding performance, with reliable, sustainable, and long-lasting results.

Current demand in the flat roofing segment is driven by the need for eco-friendly, energy-saving solutions such as green roof systems, cool roofs, and solar roofs, which can all simultaneously help to reduce CO2 emissions. Whilst refurbishment projects continue to gain in significance for mature markets such as Europe, emerging markets elsewhere are still moving towards higher quality roofing solutions with complete Sika membrane system solutions. For parking structures, the Sika membrane systems are primarily used to meet the demand for ballasted or green roofs and utility roof decks where the top layer of the system build-up is also designed as a hard-wearing surface for pedestrian and / or vehicular traffic.

The Sika membrane systems are typically installed under concrete slabs, asphalt and Sikafloor® coating systems that are used to provide a secure and very long-lasting solution for useable roof decks. This type of utility roof deck is important on many projects because they can help to:
- Create more useable living space and bring additional value to the structure
- Generate an increased return on investment by using the roof for a car park, restaurant area or any other commercially viable purpose or facility

Utility roof decks share many features with gravel and green roof ballasted roof deck systems:
- The membrane is protected against any aggressive environmental exposure and mechanical damage
- The natural non-combustible properties of the paved wearing surface contribute significantly to the fire resistance of the roof and the building as a whole roof

LOOSE LAID MEMBRANE SYSTEMS WITH Sikaplan® / Sarnafil®
- The Sikaplan® / Sarnafil® single ply membranes are loose laid on the substrate, welded together and then ballasted with the required utility deck build-up and wearing surface
- These Sikaplan® / Sarnafil® systems have a proven track record of over 30 years

Sikaplan® / Sarnafil® membranes for utility roof decks easily resist biological influences and microorganisms attacks
- These flexible membranes can be installed in most weather conditions, even at minus temperatures
- No additional fastening is required and no invasive penetration of the roof deck is needed

All of the main advantages of liquid applied roofing membranes are also valid for utility roof decks:
- Cold applied waterproofing – no flames and no heating or welding required
- Seamless waterproofing, fully bonded to the substrate – preventing lateral water underflow
- The SikaRoof® MTC waterproofing layer is moisture and rain resistant just 10 minutes after application
- Most systems comprise 1-C products with a viscosity that is ideal for roofing applications (no need for any additional thinners or hardeners etc.)
- Easy installation with brushes and rollers even for complex surface shapes and detailing
- High tensile strength and crack bridging elasticity
- Long shelf life products

LIQUID APPLIED ROOF DECK MEMBRANE SYSTEMS WITH Sikalastic® Utility roof decks can also be waterproofed easily and securely with Sikalastic® liquid applied membrane systems that provides another unique range of solutions for utility roof decks:
- Sikalastic® top deck wearing surface layers can be used with added quartz sand and / or colored chips to give almost unlimited design possibilities for pedestrian terraces.
- Specific 2-C Sikalastic® products can be overlaid directly with hot poured asphalt, which can be a very cost effective solution to allow vehicular traffic access or provide additionally car parking areas

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As covered elsewhere in this brochure, the deck waterproofing coatings for multi-storey car parks are exposed to many different thermal, mechanical and chemical stresses. The coating system must protect the concrete surface not only from potentially aggressive and damaging media such as water, chlorides, fuels, oils and battery acids, but also against the heavy mechanical loads and abrasive wear through being repeatedly driven over.

Also as mentioned previously there are increasingly high requirements for the parking decks appearance and aesthetics as well as their durability, which all have to be fulfilled. The regular care and maintenance of the coated deck surface is therefore also important to help preserve value and also to ensure the required long service-life. Additionally, and especially in the cold and wet winter season, the adequate slip and skid resistance of the floor of the car park becomes a very important criteria, so the normal build-up of dust, dirt and pollutants must be frequently removed.

The intensity and the frequency of the cleaning regime and its intervals depends very much on the specific car park, its function, level of external exposure and weather conditions, the frequency of use, and the condition of the deck coating surfaces themselves. The decision of whether each individual multi-storey car park must be cleaned daily, weekly, monthly or annually, can only be specified by the owners and their requirements, but it is recommended that these must all be made very clear to the operator to ensure compliance. Generally the optimal cleaning regime can only be set up after a certain trial period for a full evaluation of the frequency required, the most appropriate cleaning machines, the right cleaning chemicals and procedures.

The selection of the right machines depends on the extent of the surfaces which have to be maintained and the spatial conditions (e.g. access and equipment storage heights, floor and slope/ramp gradients etc.). Therefore it is always best to seek advice from your local specialist floor cleaning companies or manufacturers of cleaning agents or/and equipment. Your local Sika office will be able to assist you with advice in this respect also as part of our comprehensive customer service.
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Sika is a specialty chemicals company with a leading position in the development and production of systems and products for bonding, sealing, damping, reinforcing and protecting in the building sector and the motor vehicle industry. Sika’s product lines feature concrete admixtures, mortars, sealants and adhesives, structural strengthening systems, flooring as well as roofing and waterproofing systems.