Polygood® Adhesives Matrix

| Applications | Adhesive Type | Working / Pot Life | Handling / Fixture Time | Full Cure Time | Example (Brand) | Usage Notes | Precautions |
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| Panel-to-panel, mitered or rebate joints | Acrylic Adhesive | 10–15 min | 20–30 min | 24 h | SignFix 20, Acrifix 116 | Industry standard for seam joining; light abrade, clean with IMS, apply adhesive; Some acrylic adhesives cure to a rigid, brittle seam; therefore, additional structural support is recommended for load-bearing or flexing assemblies. | Thorough joint/seam preparation is key to a strong, clean bond and prevents unnecessary oversanding later. |
| Full-face lamination (panel -on-panel; panel → substrates (MDF, ply, gypsum, walls) | Polyurethane (PU) | 20-40 min | 1–2 h | 24 h | Generic PU laminating adhesive | Long open time, easy to spread, gap-filling (slight foaming compensates unevenness); performs well outdoors | Watch for foaming on edges; needs good clamping; edge lines can show yellow-brown |
| Bedding countertops & panels | MS-Polymer | 20–40 min skin | 6–12 h | 24–48 h | Ultrabond, Sikaflex®- 552 AT | Elastic, durable bonding; UV- and weather- resistant; gap-filling without foaming; absorbs vibration; | Needs surface abrasion & cleaning; humidity curing (slower in thick beads); Not polishable; unsuitable for rigid panel-to-panel seams; lower tensile strength vs. acrylic/PU; |
| Bedding countertops & panels (flexible bond to substrate, ideal in areas with movement) | Silicone | 5–15 min skin | 6–12 h | 24-48 h | General constructio n silicone | Flexible bedding adhesive for countertops, panels, splashbacks, and vanities. Accommodates thermal expansion and substrate movement. Easy to apply, stays elastic after cure. | Not polishable; always leaves a visible bead. Low mechanical strength; unsuitable for structural or load-bearing seams. |
| Decorative translucent non- structural applications where seam transparency is important | UV-curable methacrylate adhesive | Unlimited (until UV) 1– 5 min under UV 10–30 min | 1–5 min under UV | 10–30 min | ACRIFIX® 1R 0192 (UV-curing adhesive) | Apply to clean, dry, well-fitted edges .Cure under UV lamp or strong UV light (320–400 nm) until fully hardened. Produces a crystalclear, rigid seam suitable for decorative, nonload joints. | Not suitable for structural or flexing joints (risk of cracking). Avoid skin/eye contact; handle with gloves and use in ventilated area (reactive acrylates can irritate). Store in dark, cool place as product is light-sensitive. |