

## **FASTENERS THAT ADD VALUE**

## SCREW FASTENERS CAN LOOSEN!

Screw assemblies can loosen under the effect of vibration, impact and heat expansion.

To secure assemblies that are screwed together and avoid any unforeseen loosening of screws and nuts, a variety of techniques have been developed: elastic washers, Nylon rings or patches, size interference, etc.

# The most effective solution for stopping loosening is pre-coating to ensure thread locking :

This technique comprising pre-coating the threads with a dry thread locking compound that only becomes active during assembly.



#### COMPARING THREAD LOCKING SOLUTIONS



#### Standard screw Screws + Elastic washer Nut + Nylon ring Screw + Pre-coating

## WHY USE PRE-COATED FASTENERS ?

# Pre-coated fasteners replace conventional thread locking solutions offering incomparable technical and financial results :

- Improved performance: unparalleled vibration resistance
- Facilitated design: replaces standard nuts and bolts with no need to redesign the assembly
- Fast assembly: no need for washers or adhesive
- Technical reliability: the amount of product deposited in the assembly is always the same
- Flawless quality: the thread locking process cannot be forgotten
- · Significant assembly cost savings: high productivity in the shop or on-site
- Eliminates hygiene and safety issues linked to liquid adhesives

## INNOVATION

Thread locking using pre-coated fastener parts is achieved by factory coating parts with a thread locking compound, creating a dry patch on the screw or nut thread.

#### Two possible solutions:

#### Thread locking using a micro-encapsulated adhesive:

- This technique comprises pre-coating the threads with a microencapsulated adhesive that only becomes active during assembly.
- During assembly, the adhesive released by breaking the microcapsules polymerises and bonds the threaded parts together.
- This is the most efficient solution to stop slackening.

#### **Repositionable polyamide thread locking solution:**

- When the parts are screwed down, the polyamide deposited on the threads is compressed. The radial tension caused by the elastic product deformation causes the locking action.
- The locked parts can be repositioned as the polyamide deformation is reversible allowing parts to be screwed down and released a number of times.
- The polyamide brings two additional functions compared with a bare screw:

1. It dampens vibrations thereby avoiding unforeseen slackening.

2. It avoids the loss of the screw should it become slack.

• The thread locking function is active immediately after screwing down







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## **TYPES DE PRODUITS**

The products deposited on the threaded part of the fasteners are of different types depending on requirements :

#### Locking by bonding :

Suppliers	Product	Color	Functions
SOPRIFIX	SO21B	Dark blue	High strenght
	SO22R	Orange	High strenght
<b>3M</b>	3M2510	Orange	High strenght and sealing
	3M2353	Dark blue	High strenght
PRECOTE THREAD LOCKING & SEALING	Precote 30	Yellow	High strenght and sealing
	Precote 80	Green or pink	High strenght
	Precote 85	Turquoise	High strenght

#### Reusable locking

Supplier	Products	Color	Functions
	Precote 10-1	Green	Low strength + reusable locking

## **GENERAL PROPERTIES**

- Resistant to water and cooling liquids
- Resistant to gasoline and engine oils
- Resistant to refrigeration liquids
- Very resistant to vibration and impacts
- Ensures assembly sealing
- Protects from corrosion
- Can be disassembled using standard tools
- No deterioration of assembly parts





### SOME EXAMPLES

Uniquely in Europe, Soprima Industrie covers a wide range of needs for all professionals looking for handy and innovative fasteners.

Allen head (CHC) screw			
Hex. head (TH) screw			
Flush hex. head (FTC) screw			
Hex. button head (BHC) screw			
Hex. (H) nut			
Hex. shoulder (HE) nut			

## QUALITY

Our facilities are all ISO 9001 certified and our quality system fulfils the specific requirements of the automotive and aeronautical industries.

