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### General Part

Technical Assessment Body issuing the  
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Trade name of the construction product

Kerafix® Flexlit

Product family  
to which the construction product belongs

Intumescent products for fire sealing and fire stopping  
purposes

Manufacturer

Rolf Kuhn GmbH  
Jägersgrund 10  
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DEUTSCHLAND

Manufacturing plant

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this assessment

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<sup>1</sup> Address known at DIBt

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## Specific Part

### 1 Technical description of the product

Object of this European Technical Assessment (ETA) is the intumescent construction product "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit" and its modifications.

In case of fire exposed to high temperatures, the intumescent products expand and generate dense foam. This foam seals joints and gaps, closes voids and openings. Thus, the foam restricts the passage and spread of heat, smoke, flames or any combination of these.

The construction product "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit" (un-laminated basic variant) does not generate notable expansion pressure in case of fire.

The flexible intumescent construction product "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit" essentially consist of intumescent substances and binder. It is produced in form of mats and strips of a nominal thicknesses of 1,5 mm to 6,0 mm and any width between 8 mm up to 1000 mm. It is processed by cutting e.g. into strips at the factory<sup>2</sup>.

The following modifications are covered by this ETA besides the un-laminated variant named "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit":

- laminated with PVC-foil<sup>3</sup> of different colours on one side; named "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit DF",
- laminated with PE-sellotape<sup>3</sup> on one side, named "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit ZPE",
- laminated with aluminum foil<sup>3</sup> on one side, named "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit AF",
- completely wrapped with textile tape<sup>3</sup>, named "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit GE",
- completely wrapped with Polyacryl-foil metalized with aluminum<sup>3</sup>, named "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit AE"

All modifications may be additionally finished with a self-adhesive tape<sup>3</sup> on one side.

The construction product is delivered in rolls or may be delivered as factory-made cut.

The technical characteristics relevant for fire sealing and fire stopping effects of the construction product are given in Annex 1.

### 2 Specification of the intended use in accordance with the applicable European Assessment Document (EAD)

The intumescent construction product "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit" is assessed on the basis of EAD 350005-00-1104<sup>4</sup> as an intumescent product for fire sealing and fire stopping purposes without a specific final use (IU 1).

The construction product and the described modifications are intended to be used as essential components in construction products, construction elements, kits and special assemblies which need to meet requirements concerning the safety in case of fire.

In case of fire, the products delay the heat transfer through fire resistant construction products and construction elements by expanding under the impact of high temperatures and thus restricting the spread of fire.

The performance given in Section 3 is only valid if the construction product "Kerafix<sup>®</sup> Flexlit" used in accordance with the instructions and the conditions stated in section 3.3.

<sup>2</sup> Please note for the use in Germany, that the product only shall be applied fully wrapped or encapsulated.

<sup>3</sup> Type, manufacturer and characteristics deposited at DIBt.

<sup>4</sup> Official Journal of the EU N° C 378/02 of 13/11/2015

The tests and assessment methods on which this ETA is based, lead to the assumption of working life of the intumescent construction products "Kerafix® Flexlit" and the described modifications in final use of at least 10 years<sup>5</sup>.

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### 3 Performance of the product and references to the methods used for this assessment

#### 3.1 Safety in case of fire (BWR 2)

##### 3.1.1 Reaction to fire

Characteristic	Performance
Reaction to fire	Class E in accordance with EN 13501-1 <sup>6</sup>

##### 3.1.2 Resistance to fire

The performance "resistance to fire" shall be determined separately for every final use and shall be classified, if required.

#### 3.2 General aspects

Durability testing shall be an integral part of assessing the basic works and performance requirements. The following specific provisions shall be complied with to ensure the durability of the performance for the intended use.

The testing and the assessment of the product performance were carried out for environmental conditions of type Z<sub>2</sub> – product intended for use at dry internal conditions without frost at temperatures between +5 °C ± 5°C and 35 °C ± 5°C and relative humidity below 85 % permanently - in accordance with EAD 350005-00.1104, section 2.2.2.7.

Result:

The intumescent construction product "Kerafix® Flexlit" and the described modifications can be exposed to end-use conditions of frost-protected dry rooms without additional humidity and without occasional or permanent condensation, at temperatures up to + 40 °C, without having to fear an essential change of the relevant fire sealing and fire stopping properties and the resulting performance.

### 4 Assessment and verification of constancy of performance (AVCP) system applied, with reference to its legal base

In accordance with the European Assessment Document 350005-00-1104, edition of May 2015 the Decision of the Commission N° 1999/454/EC of 22 June 1999 (OJ of the EU L 178 of 14 July 1999, p 42), amended by EC Decision 2001/596/EC of 8 January 2001 (OJ of the EU L 209 of 2 August 2001, p 33) is the legal basis for the determination of the AVCP system.

So system 1 applies for the assessment and verification of constancy of performance (AVCP)<sup>7</sup>. (See Annex V in conjunction with Article 65 (2) of the Regulation (EU) N° 305/2011) and the following table:

<sup>5</sup> Results (historical data) of long-term-aging (natural aging at defined indoor climat for 10 years) available

<sup>6</sup> EN 13501-1 Fire classification of construction products and building elements, Part 1 and A1:2009 Classification using test data from reaction to fire tests

<sup>7</sup> The declaration of performance shall contain an additional information that the product contains ceramic fibres.

Product	Intended use	Characteristic	System
"Kerafix® Flexlit" and the modifications described in cl. 1	Components effective in the view of safety in case of fire used in construction products, elements, kits and assemblies	Reaction to fire properties relevant for the fire sealing and fire stopping effect	1

**5 Technical details necessary for the implementation of the AVCP system, as provided for in the applicable EAD**

Technical details necessary for the implementation of the AVCP system are laid down in the control plan deposited at Deutsches Institut für Bautechnik.

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## ANNEX 1

### CHARACTERISTICS RELEVANT FOR THE FIRE SEALING AND FIRE STOPPING EFFECTS OF THE CONSTRUCTION PRODUCT

#### "Kerafix® Flexlit"

Characteristic	Test method <sup>7</sup>	Range of determined values and tolerances
Nominal thickness	EOTA TR 024 <sup>8</sup> , cl. 3.1.2.1	1,5 mm to 6,0 mm (tolerance $\pm 0,3$ mm for each)
Density <sup>9</sup>	EOTA TR 024 <sup>8</sup> , cl. 3.1.4	Thickness 1,5 mm: 700 kg/ m <sup>3</sup> $\pm 10$ % Thickness 5 mm: 620 kg/m <sup>3</sup> $\pm 10$ %
Expansion ratio	EOTA TR 024 <sup>8</sup> , cl. 3.1.11, method 2 at 400 °C for 30 minutes with a top load	2,0 to 5,5

The chemical reaction starts at about 350 °C.

<sup>7</sup> Details of the test method are deposited with DIBt  
<sup>8</sup> EOTA Technical Report 024 "Characterisation, Aspects of Durability and Factory Production Control for Reactive Materials, Components and Products", edition July 2009  
<sup>9</sup> Differences in density due to the processing