

# Xmor<sup>®</sup> LD8 & LD9

## NON-AQUEOUS LIQUID DEVELOPERS

### 1 Description

LD8 and LD9 are liquid suspensions of an inert white powder in a quick drying solvent with low sulphur, halogen and alkali metal content.

LD8 and LD9 are used as developers in penetrant testing of forged parts, welds, cast and drop forged parts. LD8 offers best results with both color contrast and fluorescent penetrants while the thick, white layer provided by LD9 will make it especially suited for color contrast penetrant testing applications.

LD8 and LD9 are available as bulk material and as aerosol. They are typically used in a penetrant system with Checkmor<sup>®</sup> or Britemor<sup>®</sup> penetrants and their S series of removers.

#### Conformances

✓ EN ISO 3452-2	Form d & e
✓ SAE	QPL-2644
✓ ASME Boiler & Vessel Code	Section V, Article 6
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### 2 Physical and chemical properties

Property	LD8	LD9	Unit
Appearance	White solid particle in a clear liquid		-
Density	0.88	0.79	g/ml @ 20°C / 68°F
Flash point	-18 / 0	8 / 47	°C / °F

These are typical values only and do not constitute a specification.

### 3 Method of use

#### 3.1 Pre-cleaning, penetrant & excess penetrant removal

Clean part with e.g. S76, S78 or S85 before applying the Checkmor or Britemor penetrant. Apply cleaner to the part and wipe clean with cloth. Surface has to be free of grease, oil and dirt. Allow part to dry before applying penetrant.

Apply a thin even film of Checkmor or Britemor penetrant to cover test the area and allow penetration as per the required time.

Remove excess surface penetrant with clean cloths, pre-moistened with cleaner (e.g. S76, S78, or S85). Alternatively, removal can be affected by gentle water spray or by rinsing with water (for application over 5°C / 41°F). Do not flush surface with cleaner as sensitivity will be impaired. Repeat procedure until surface penetrant has been removed. Thoroughly dry the component surface before developer application.

#### 3.2 Developing

LD8 or LD9 are liquid suspensions of solid particles which settle-out on standing; and therefore, aerosols and bulk containers must be shaken thoroughly before and during use.

Spray a thin, even developer film over the area to be inspected (spraying distance 30 cm / 1 ft.). Surface temperature should be between -10 and 50°C (15-120°F). LD8 must be applied by a light even spray (immersion or brushing will cause a loss of process sensitivity). When LD8 is used as part of a Britemor fluorescent penetrant process, it should be applied by successive spraying until a translucent layer is achieved.

Allow 10 – 30 minutes developing time before evaluation.

### 3.3 Inspection

For Checkmor color contrast processes, inspection should be carried out in diffused white light of at least 500 lux (approx. 46 ft.cdl) and, in the case of Britemor fluorescent penetrant processes, under UVA of 365 nm peak wavelength and minimum 1000 µwatts/cm<sup>2</sup> on the viewing area.

Note: the procedure above is a recommendation only; where relevant, the process specifications of the approving authorities must be followed.

### 4 Effects on materials

LD8 and LD9 are used in the prescribed manner, no significant corrosion is likely to occur on commonly used constructional metals. LD8 and LD9 may cause swelling of some rubbers and plastics, the product should be tested for compatibility before application.

### 5 Storage

Please refer to the corresponding Material Safety Data Sheets for details on shelf life, storage and disposal.

### 6 Labor and environmental protection

Before operating the process described it is important that this complete document, together with any relevant Safety Data sheets, be read and understood.

All local and national regulations on the transport, storage, use and waste treatment of chemicals in concentrated or diluted form and as working solutions must be obeyed.

### 7 General Information

Chemetall supplies a wide range of chemical products and associated equipment for cleaning, descaling, paint and carbon removal, metal working and protection and non-destructive testing. Sales Executives are available to advice on specific problems and applications.

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