

Composites Used with Ribbond® Fibers

"Wetting" or bonding adhesive to wet Ribbond fibers:

Use a plain unfilled-enamel bonding resin (usually the last bottle of a multi-bottle system) to wet the Ribbond fibers. <u>Do not</u> wet the Ribbond fibers with a one bottle dentin-enamel bonding system, a bonding system that contains fillers, a self-etch bonding system, or a flowable composite.

Soft-paste viscosity composite resin to attach fibers to teeth:

Use a moderately viscous "sculptable" paste-like restorative composite to attach the Ribbond closely against the teeth. <u>Do not</u> use a standard viscosity flowable composite for this layer. Standard viscosity flowable composites are too "slippery" and are not tacky enough to hold the Ribbond in position prior to curing.

Flowable composite to cover fibers:

Because it flows, it is used as a smoothing layer over the adapted Ribbond fibers. Ribbond fibers do not polish well so the smooth surface of the flowable composite minimizes polishing. Ribbond Securing Composite does not work for this layer.

	Wetting Resin	Filled Composite to attach fibers to teeth	Flowable Composites
<u>Cosmedent</u>	Complete (blue bottle) (Ref #570503)	Renamel Nano Plus	Renamel Flowable Microfill
<u>Ultradent</u>	Permaseal (Ref #805631)	<u>Mosaic</u>	Permaflow
<u>3M</u>	Scotch Bond Multi-purpose (Do not use Universal) (Ref # 3-101006)	Filtek Supreme Z-250	Filtek Flow

^{*}Note* This is not an exclusive list and there are other similar resins from other manufacturers that can also be used to wet the Ribbond.