

# **ACID CORE SOLDER**

#### What is this?



The image shows a spool of acid core solder wire.

Here's some information about it:

#### What It Is:

- **Solder**: A fusible metal alloy (commonly made from tin and lead, or tin with other metals in lead-free versions) used to join metal parts together.
- **Acid Core**: This type of solder has a hollow core filled with an acid-based flux. The flux helps remove oxidation from the metal surfaces during soldering, ensuring a clean, strong bond.

### **Common Uses:**

- Primarily used in plumbing and metal repairs.
- Ideal for joining copper pipes, sheet metal, and other non-electrical galvanised metalwork.
- Not recommended for electrical work because the acid flux is corrosive and can damage wires, components, or circuit boards over time.

## Features:

- Provides strong joints on metals that are harder to solder.
- Comes in various diameters depending on the job.
- Typically requires heating with a soldering iron or torch.



Acid core solder should **never** be used on electronics because the flux can corrode electrical connections. For electronics, **rosin core solder** is the safe choice.