Technical Data Sheet

SNAPSIL™ RTV6702 SEALANT

Description

SNAPSIL RTV6702 and RTV6708 sealants are neutral cure, one-component, ready to use silicone adhesive sealants that cure to tough resilient silicone rubber on exposure to atmospheric moisture at room temperature.

These sealants are standard curing paste consistency products which can be applied to horizontal, vertical and overhead surfaces. They have a long work life which allows for tooling of finished assemblies.

Key Features and Benefits

- Primerless adhesion to many metals and plastics
- Non-corrosive to most substrates
- Low odor cure
- One-component product - No mixing required
- Retain elastomeric properties at temperatures of -60ºC (-75ºF) to 204ºC (400ºF) for long periods and to 260ºC (500ºF) for short periods
- Room temperature cure
- Excellent electrical insulation properties
- Excellent UV, chemical and weather resistance

Typical Physical Properties

Typical Uncured Properties	RTV6702/RTV6708
Color	
RTV6702	White
RTV6708	Translucent

Consistency	Paste
Specific Gravity	1.04
Application Rate, gm/min.	175
Tack Free Time, minutes	25
Cure Through Time, hours	24
Typical Cured Properties (1)	**RTV6702/RTV6708**
Mechanical:	
Hardness, Shore A	18
Tensile Strength, kg/cm^2(lb/in^2)	15.8 (225)
Elongation, %	450
Tear Strength, kg/cm (lb/in)	5 (26)
Peel Strength, kg/cm (lb/in) • Glass • Aluminum • Lexan Polycarbonate* • PVC	 • 6.3 (35) • 6.3 (35) • 6.6 (37) • 5.9 (33)
Electrical:(2)	
Dielectric Strength, kV/mm(V/mil)	16 (409)
Dielectric Constant @ 100 Hz	2.9
Dissipation Factor @ 100 Hz	.0002
Volume Resistivity, ohm-cm	$2x10^{15}$
Thermal:(2)	
Brittle Point, °C (°F)	-60 (-75)
Thermal Conductivity, Btu ft/ft^2 h °F (W/m K)	0.11 (0.19)
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion, mm/mm/°C	3.0×10^{-4}

- (1) Cured 7 days at 25°C (77°F) and 50% relative humidity.
- (2) Information is provided for customer convenience. These properties are not tested on a routine basis.
- * Lexan is a trademark of SABIC Innovative Plastics IP BV.

Potential Applications

The cure properties of these adhesive sealants make them ideally suited for applications in confined spaces. These paste-consistency silicone sealants can be used in thickness up to 6mm (1/4 in.) for bonding and sealing, joining metals and plastics, and electrical insulation.

For applications requiring sealant thickness greater than 6mm (1/4 in.), Momentive Performance Materials one-component, addition cure or two component silicone rubber compounds are recommended.

Patent Status

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Product Safety, Handling and Storage

Customers should review the latest Safety Data Sheet (SDS) and label for product safety information, safe handling instructions, personal protective equipment if necessary, emergency service contact information, and any special storage conditions required for safety. Momentive Performance Materials (MPM) maintains an around-the-clock emergency service for its products. SDS are available at www.momentive.com or, upon request, from any MPM representative. For product storage and handling procedures to maintain the product quality within our stated specifications, please review Certificates of Analysis, which are available in the Order Center. Use of other materials in conjunction with MPM products (for example, primers) may require additional precautions. Please review and follow the safety information provided by the manufacturer of such other materials.

Processing Recommendations

Surface Preparation

SNAPSIL RTV6702 and RTV6708 sealants will bond to many clean surfaces without the aid of primers. These surfaces include many metals, glass, ceramic, silicone rubber and some rigid plastics.

Surfaces should be thoroughly cleaned with a suitable solvent to remove dirt, oil, grease and surface contaminants. The surface should be wiped dry before applying the adhesive sealant.

Due to substrate variability, an evaluation should be made to determine whether acceptable bond strength develops for each specific application. For difficult to bond substrates, use of a primer is suggested. SS4004P, SS4044P and SS4179 primers from Momentive Performance Materials are recommended for use with these sealants. Complete information and usage instructions for these primers are contained in a separate product data sheet.

APPLICATION AND CURE TIME CYCLE

These adhesive sealants may be applied directly to clean or primed substrates. Where broad surfaces are to be mated, the sealant should be applied in a thin, less than 6mm (1/4 in.) diameter bead or ribbon around the edge of the surface to be bonded.

The cure process begins with the formation of a skin on the exposed surface of the sealant and progresses inward through the material. At 25ºC (77ºF) and 50% relative humidity, RTV6702 and RTV6708 will form a surface skin that is tack free to the touch in 20-25 minutes. Once the tack free skin has begun to form, further tooling of the adhesive sealant is not recommended.

As the adhesive sealant cures, methly alcohol and residual ammonia vapors are released from the sealant surface.

Because these adhesive sealants cure by reacting with atmospheric moisture, higher temperatures and humidity will accelerate the cure process lower temperatures and humidity will slow the cure rate.

Exact cure time will depend on temperature, humidity, sample thickness and sealant configuration. Since cure time increases with thickness, use of these adhesive sealants should be limited to section thickness of 6mm (1/4 in.).

PHYSICAL PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

In addition to the effects of temperature and relative humidity, development of maximum bond strength will depend on joint configuration, degree of confinement, sealant thickness and substrate porosity. Normally, sufficient bond strength will develop in 12-24 hours for RTV6702 and RTV6708 and permit handling of parts. Stress should not be applied to the bonded joint until full adhesive strength has developed. Eventually the adhesive strength of the bond will exceed the cohesive strength of the silicone rubber adhesive sealant itself. Always allow maximum cure time available for best results.

NON-CORROSIVE PROPERTIES

SNAPSIL RTV6702 and RTV6708 adhesive sealants comply with the non-corrosive requirements of MIL-A-46146B on aluminum and steel.

When allowed to cure in enclosed conditions, these sealants will discolor sensitive metals such as copper and brass. When allowed to cure in non-enclosed conditions, these sealants may discolor sensitive metals such as copper and brass but only when in direct contact.

DISPENSING

These sealants may be dispensed from caulking cartridges by using hand operated caulking gums or air operated guns. Air operated guns will allow greater control and application speed. Cartridges are easy-to-use, can be put into production quickly and require minimal capital investment.

NOTE: Do not exceed 45 psig when using air powered caulking guns.Bulk containers require a larger initial investment in dispensing equipment, but offer economical packaging for volume production. Bulk dispensing systems are air-operated extrusion pumps coupled to hand or automated dispensing units. Pumps which are specifically designed for pumping one-component RTV silicone rubber have Teflon® seals, packages and Teflon lined hoses to prevent moisture permeation and pump cure problems.

CLEANUP AND REMOVAL

Before cure, solvent systems such as naphtha or methly ethyl ketone (MEK) are most

effective.

After cure, selected chemical strippers which will remove the silicone rubber are available from other manufacturers. Specific product information may be obtained on request.

Limitations
Customers must evaluate Momentive Performance Materials products and make their own determination as to fitness of use in their particular applications.

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