

# SilFORT™ MHC2710 Clearcoat

## Description

SilFORT MHC2710 Clearcoat is a thermally cured, siloxane-based, primerless hardcoat system used principally to protect bare aluminum substrates. Allowing the elimination of the anodization process for certain applications, its use can lead to significant cost savings and an improved sustainability profile. SilFORT MHC2710 Clearcoat offers scratch resistance, chemical resistance, as well as excellent acid and alkali resistance in the range of pH 1.0 to 13.5, while allowing the appearance of the substrate to be maintained. Series 3000 and 5000 aluminum alloys treated with SilFORT MHC2710 Clearcoat will typically exhibit the best corrosion performance in salt spray testing.

This direct-to-metal sol-gel coating system can generally be applied by either spray, dip, or flow coating, allowing for greater design freedom. Curvatures, radii and orifices can typically be managed in the coating process without making any design compromises. The gloss level of the coating can also be adjusted to the desired optical appearance by the incorporation of Momentive's SilFORT MHC Matte additive, allowing high gloss, semi-gloss and low gloss parts.

#### **Key Features and Typical Benefits**

- Direct-to-metal / primerless adhesion
- Elimination of anodization process
- Exceptional pH resistance (pH 1.0 to >13.5)
- Good corrosion resistance
- Excellent scratch resistance
- Excellent chemical resistance
- Wide application window

## **Typical Physical Properties**

Unit	SilFORT MHC2710 Clearcoat	
-	Liquid	
-	Colorless	
%	Approx.25	
g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Approx. 0.98	
cSt	Approx. 4	
	Approx 5	
Dove	Approx. 5 90 (stored below 10°C)	
	- - % g/cm <sup>3</sup>	

<sup>1.</sup> As supplied. Typical properties are average data and are not to be used as or to develop specifications.

## **Potential Applications**

- Exterior automotive parts made from aluminum (e.g. window trim, roof rails)
- Interior automotive parts made from aluminum
- Cookware
- Industrial parts

#### **General Considerations for Use**

	SilFORT MHC2710 Clearcoat	
Application Method	Spray, flow, dip	
Reducing Solvents <sup>(3)</sup>	1-Butanol (CAS# 71-36-3)	
	2-Propanol (CAS# 67-63-0)	
Recommended Coating Thickness <sup>(4)</sup>	4.0 – 6.0 μm	

<sup>3.</sup> If necessary for application process, other suitable solvents may be considered.

SilFORT MHC2710 Clearcoat is a cross-linking product, sensitive to extended exposure to elevated temperature. Storage at lower temperatures (< 0°C) may increase typical shelf-life beyond 3 months.

Once the product has reached ambient temperature it should be used within 7 days.

Re-refrigeration to less than 10°C should be considered when product will not be used

<sup>2.</sup> From date of manufacture.

<sup>4.</sup> Other thicknesses can be considered but may affect performance.

within 24 hours.

For a particle-free surface, components should be processed in a climate-controlled cleanroom environment that complies with ISO14664-1, equal to or lower than class 6.

Before applying any coating, part surface temperature should be <35°C.

For more detailed guidance on the use of SilFORT MHC2710, please request the accompanying Processing Guide, from your local Momentive representative.

## **Packaging**

Products are currently available in:

- 5 Gallon Pail (40.0 lbs, 18.2 kg)
- Other packaging sizes available upon request

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#### 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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