

## **Dow Performance Silicones**

# Sealant Packaging for Sustainable Construction













# Make the switch to sausage pack sealants

A simple step toward sustainable construction lowers transportation costs and reduces waste

With innovative solutions for energy-smart construction – including insulation, energy-saving façades, low-VOC protective coatings, smart windows and more – Dow High Performance Building helps you meet the requirements of LEED, BREEAM and other sustainability programs. But the "simple" things count, too – like switching from plastic sealant cartridges to waste-saving sausage packs. Reduce transportation and waste disposal costs and make Dow's sausage pack sealants part of your plan for sustainable construction.

# DID YOU **? KNOW :**

### Cartridge waste adds up!

- -More than 2.5 billion cartridges end up in landfills worldwide every year.
- -Stacked end-to-end, that many 21-centimeter cartridges (without nozzles) would reach beyond the moon.
- -Taking up 1 million cubic meters of landfill space, cartridge waste occupies greater than 80 times the volume of the Titanic.

# A little change makes a big difference

The simple switch to sausage packs enables you to:

### Minimize bulk and weight to optimize transportation

- -Sausage packs deliver 20% more weight of product per volume shipped than cartridges which means 34% more product per pallet.
- -Sausage packaging's weight per volume of sealant is just 28% of that of cartridges, saving almost 110 pounds (50 kg) per pallet that's weight you don't pay to ship.
- -Optimizing sealant shipments saves transit costs, decreases carbon dioxide output and reduces traffic.

### Help with site waste management

- -Minimize waste by selecting the sausage size that meets your needs.
- -Control landfill use.
  - · Minimize disposal, taxes and related transport costs.
  - Reduce the rate at which landfill space is filling up to help avoid potential future landfill availability challenges and increased transport costs associated with longdistance disposal transport requirements.
- -Keep ahead of government regulations targeting reduced construction site waste. Prepare for potential future requirements to document site waste volume and type.

#### Improve aesthetics

-Improve the look of sealant beads by minimizing interruptions during sealant application and reducing the need for tooling.

### Contribute to sustainable construction

 Make sausage packaging part of your sustainable construction methodology and environmental credentials.





# Make the switch to easy-to-use sausage packs

The only equipment needed is a barrel applicator gun and a knife.

- 1. Push the release mechanism and pull out the metal arm.
- 2. Unscrew the top lid of the barrel. Place the sausage inside the gun.
- 3. Using a knife or snippers, slice the top off the sausage just below the metal staple.
- 4. Cut the nozzle to the desired width.
- 5. Place the nozzle in the lid and screw back on to the barrel gun. Sealant is ready to apply.





## For more information

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