

Technical Data Sheet

DOWSIL™ SD 4592 PSA

Features & Benefits

Low curing temperatures

Composition

- Polydimethyl siloxane gum and resin dispersed in xylene/toluene
- Reactive organo-platinum complex dispersed in polysiloxane

Applications

- Manufacture of adhesive tapes, labels and transfer films
- Bonding substrates such as polyolefins

Typical Properties

Specification Writers: These values are not intended for use in preparing specifications.

Property	Unit	Result
Appearance		Colorless to pale-yellow, slightly hazy liquid
Diluent		Xylene/toluene
Viscosity at 25°C	mPa • s	40,000
Non-volatile content	%	60

Description

DOWSIL™ SD 4592 PSA is a silicone pressure sensitive adhesive that, when used with DOWSIL™ BY 24-741 Crosslinker and DOWSIL™ NC-25 Catalyst or DOWSIL™ SRX-212 Catalyst, offers the ability to prepare pressure sensitive tape constructions at low curing temperatures.

How to Use

DOWSIL™ SD 4592 PSA can be coated on backing material directly as itself and normally used with DOWSIL™ BY 24-741 Crosslinker (1 parts per hundred) and DOWSIL™ NC-25 Catalyst or DOWSIL™ SRX-212 Catalyst (0.9 parts per hundred). The following procedure is recommended for the preparation of coating bath. Equipment should be clean and dry, preferably constructed from stainless steel or glass. Disperse DOWSIL™ SD 4592 PSA in the process solvent. The suggested bath solids are 40 to 60% silicone on a weight basis.

- 1. Add DOWSIL™ BY 24-741 and disperse thoroughly.
- 2. Add solvent such as toluene and disperse thoroughly.
- 3. Add Pt catalyst DOWSIL™ NC-25 Catalyst or DOWSIL™ SRX-212 Catalyst disperse again.

How to Use (Cont.)

Application to backing materials is accomplished via conventional tape coating equipment. When diluting with any solvent, refer to the solvent vendor's safety data sheet for information on physical and health hazards associated with the solvent and use of ventilation, PPE, bonding and grounding or other measures that can minimize or eliminate these risks.

Curing

When used in the manufacture of adhesive tape, catalyzed DOWSIL™ SD 4592 PSA is normally coated onto flexible substrates such as polyester or polyolefin films. In this configuration, the adhesive can be cured at 100°C (212°F) for 3 minutes in a vented, continuous coating oven. Air flow patterns, air volume and velocity will have an impact on adhesive curing speed. If the cure speed needs to be increased or process oven temperatures lowered, the DOWSIL™ NC-25 Catalyst or DOWSIL™ SRX-212 Catalyst level can be increased by up to 1.2%.

Completeness of cure can be determined by laminating a test specimen to a stainless-steel panel, similar to a 180° peel test, and pulling the tape rapidly from the panel by hand. When completely cured, the adhesive will remain on the backing. If not fully cured, an adhesive residue will remain on the steel panel.

NOTE: The catalyst in this adhesive system is required to obtain pressure sensitive adhesive properties. It is also subject to contamination by peroxides and other materials. Clean all mixing and coating equipment and use dedicated new containers for mixing when possible.

Anchorage to Backing

To obtain optimum anchorage to tape backings, such as polyester and polyolefin films, it may be necessary to use a primer.

Handling Precautions

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