

# ELASTOSIL<sup>®</sup> R plus 4050/55



## High Consistency Silicone Rubber (HCR)

ELASTOSIL<sup>®</sup> R plus 4050/55 is an addition cure, two-component high consistency silicone rubber for the manufacture of molded articles. The vulcanizates exhibit excellent heat stability.

## Properties

Cured articles made of ELASTOSIL<sup>®</sup> R plus 4050/55 exhibit an excellent heat stability and good mechanical properties. Thanks to addition cure, the vulcanization reaction is significantly faster compared to peroxide curing materials. No peroxide decomposition products are formed during vulcanization.

At service temperatures above approx. 180 °C the addition of heat stabilizers is recommended. Further information about an improvement of the heat stability by use of specific ELASTOSIL<sup>®</sup> AUX Heat Stabilizers can be obtained from the Technical Information Sheet "ELASTOSIL<sup>®</sup> AUX Stabilizers H" or the latest edition of our brochures.

## Specific features

- Addition Curing
- Food-contact
- Heat resistant
- High rebound resilience
- Two-component
- Ultra-low compression set

## Technical data

### Properties Cured

Cure conditions: 1.5 % ELASTOSIL AUX Batch PT 2; 15 min / 165 °C in press, post-cured 4 h / 200 °C

Property	Condition	Value	Method
Appearance	-	transparent	-
Hardness Shore A	-	58	DIN ISO 48-4
Density	-	1.13 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	DIN EN ISO 1183-1 A
Tensile strength	-	8.4 N/mm <sup>2</sup>	ISO 37 type 1
Elongation at break	-	400 %	ISO 37 type 1
Tear strength	-	23 N/mm	ASTM D 624 B
Compression Set <sup>(1)</sup>	22 h   175 °C	6 %	DIN ISO 815-1 type B method A
Rebound resilience	-	59 %	ISO 4662

<sup>1</sup>post-cured 4 h / 200 °C

These figures are only intended as a guide and should not be used in preparing specifications.

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## Applications

- Dairy & Food Applications
- Household Applications
- Molded Parts

## Application details

ELASTOSIL<sup>®</sup> R plus 4050/55 is suited for the manufacture of molded articles.

Properly cured and post-cured vulcanizates of ELASTOSIL<sup>®</sup> R plus 4050/55 can be used for food contact applications and are suitable for use under the Recommendation "XV. Silicones" of the BfR and FDA 21 CFR §177.2600 "Rubber Articles Intended for Repeated Use" considering any given limitations on extractable and volatile substances.

## Processing

ELASTOSIL® R plus 4050/55 is particularly suited for press-curing or processing on a silicone rubber injection molding machine.

ELASTOSIL® R plus 4050 series may not be cured with peroxides but only with the platinum catalyst batch ELASTOSIL® AUX Batch PT 2. ELASTOSIL® R plus 4050/55 and ELASTOSIL® AUX Batch PT 2 are mixed homogeneously on a roll mill in a ratio of 100:1.5. A higher catalyst dosage results in a faster curing but a reduced pot life. Care must be taken to keep the compound cool during mixing. A homogeneous incorporation is a must, but the temperature of the rubber should not exceed 30 °C, otherwise there is a risk of scorch.

The cross linking reaction starts as soon as ELASTOSIL® AUX Batch PT 2 has been added. The rate and degree of crosslinking is dependent on storage time and temperature. At 23 °C the pot life is approximately 24 h. This can be extended by storing the catalyzed mixture at lower temperature.

For detailed information please refer to the latest edition of our brochure "SOLID AND LIQUID SILICONE RUBBER - MATERIAL AND PROCESSING GUIDELINES".

## Packaging and storage

### Packaging

This product is available in 20 kg and 540 kg cardboard packaging.

Special delivery forms are possible but depend on several technical and commercial aspects. Please contact your local sales manager in such cases.

### Storage

Please store the cardboard boxes in a dry and cool place. Already opened boxes should be closed again to avoid any contamination. The 'Best use before end' date of each batch is shown on the product label. Storage beyond the date specified on the label does not necessarily mean that the product is no longer usable. In this case however, the properties required for the intended use must be checked for quality assurance reasons.

## Safety notes

Comprehensive instructions are given in the corresponding Material Safety Data Sheets. They are available on request from WACKER subsidiaries or may be printed via WACKER web site <http://www.wacker.com>.

## QR Code ELASTOSIL® R plus 4050/55



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