GENIOSIL® XT 55
Silane-Modified Polymers

GENIOSIL® XT 55 is a silane terminated polymer suitable in moisture-curing formulations.

Properties

GENIOSIL® XT 55 is a silicon reinforced polyether-based silane-terminated polymer suitable as a binder in moisture curing formulations. It is a clear liquid with a slight but characteristic odor and differs to conventional silylated polymers due to its high reactivity. This is a direct consequence of the trimethoxysilyl group attached to the organic backbone. It hydrolyzes in the presence of moisture to finally form a stable siloxane network initiated by heavy metal or strong amine catalysis.

Formulations are characterized by the following advantages:
- simple compounding with conventional auxiliaries
- plasticizer free if desirable
- good mechanics
- very good elastic recovery and high elasticity
- rapid curing
- broad adhesion profile
Technical data

General Characteristics

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<th>Property</th>
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<td>Density</td>
<td>20 °C</td>
<td>1013 hPa</td>
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<td>Flash point</td>
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<td>&gt; 110 °C</td>
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<td>Ignition temperature (liquids)</td>
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<td>380 °C</td>
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<td>Viscosity, dynamic</td>
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<td>1200 mPa·s</td>
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Applications

- Building & Construction Adhesives
- Assembly Adhesives
- Industrial Adhesives
- Adhesives

Application details
GENIOSIL® XT 55 dissolves readily in standard organic solvents. It is virtually insoluble in aqueous media, and reacts slowly releasing methanol and forming a resinous deposit. Due to its reactive terminal groups GENIOSIL® XT 55 forms a skin following exposure to air after several days. However, its reactivity with water or atmospheric humidity must be taken into account during storage and processing, since the material will slowly start to condense. GENIOSIL® XT 55 can be formulated by conventional methods and mixing processes. The formulation composition depends on the required property profile. GENIOSIL® XT 55 can be formulated with a variety of fillers at high addition levels. The range starts with oxides, such as aluminum hydroxide, quartz powders or pyrogenic silicas, and extends to coated and uncoated chalks. Water scavengers can be added to stabilize the formulations against premature curing as this is moisture-curing technology. Therefore exclusion of moisture during compounding and storage is necessary. GENIOSIL® XL 10 or GENIOSIL® XL 70 are particularly suitable scavengers. Any type of plasticizer can be used to further lower the viscosity as well as to impact elongation values. It has been observed, that polypropylene glycol types give better mechanical performance whereas aromatic plasticizers like trimellitates or phthalates yield good adhesion values. Antioxidants, UV- and light-stabilizers are mandatory to ensure durable sealants and adhesives. The amount and type of stabilizer depends on application needs. Curing of GENIOSIL® XT 55 requires a catalyst that has to be organo-metallic or a strong base compound. Here diocetyl tin or titanium compounds have proven their suitability in the presence of an aminosilane such as GENIOSIL® GF 96. In particular, GENIOSIL® GF 95 can attain improved water resistance, which is further increased by the addition of epoxy silanes. Moreover GENIOSIL® XT 55 can be blended with all GENIOSIL® silane terminated polymers so as to modify performance. The table below illustrates how varying the GENIOSIL® XT 55 : GENIOSIL® STP-E10 blend can adjust the mechanical property profile. Surface Treatment Always apply the formulation to clean and dry surfaces. GENIOSIL® XT 55 is used as a reactive binder for elastic sealants & adhesives, potting compounds and coatings. Curing takes place at ambient temperature in the presence of both moisture and catalyst. Depending on the formulation, either prepared as one-part or two-part systems, it gives good adhesion to a wide variety of substrates even without pretreatment. The low glass transition temperature allows stable mechanical properties over a wide temperature range.

Packaging and storage

Packaging

Information on available container sizes is obtainable from WACKER subsidiaries.

Storage

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.
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