**ELASTOSIL**<sup>®</sup>

## WACKER

# ELASTOSIL® M 4400

Room Temperature Curing Silicone Rubber (RTV-2)

Pourable, condensation-curing, two-component silicone rubber that vulcanizes at room temperature.

Main application: Making cost effective molds, especially suited for PE resin, wax or plaster castings.



## Properties

- Good flowability and self-deaeration
- Low Shore A hardness (approx. 23)
- Great extensibility and elasticity
- Very good resistance to casting resins, particularly polyester

#### Specific features

- Condensation-curing
- Flowable
- Two-component

## **Technical data**

#### **Properties Uncured**

| Property                          | Condition        | Value                         | Method          |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Color                             | -                | pale yellow                   | -               |
| Viscosity, dynamic after stirring | 23 °C            | 30000 mPa·s                   | DIN EN ISO 3219 |
| Density                           | 20 °C   1013 hPa | approx. 1.3 g/cm <sup>3</sup> | DIN 53217       |

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#### Catalyzed

(catalyzed with 3 wt % Catalyst T 37, after 4 days at 23 °C / 50 % rel. humidity)

| Property           | Condition | Value       | Method   |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| Viscosity, dynamic | 23 °C     | 25000 mPa·s | ISO 3219 |

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#### **Properties Cured**

#### Cure conditions: 190°C 10min

| Property              | Condition | Value                 | Method       |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Color                 | -         | pale yellow           | -            |
| Density in water      | 23 °C     | 1.3 g/cm <sup>3</sup> | ISO 2781     |
| Tear strength         | -         | > 3 N/mm              | ASTM D 624 B |
| Hardness Shore A      | -         | 23                    | ISO 868      |
| Tensile strength      | -         | 2 N/mm <sup>2</sup>   | ISO 37       |
| Elongation at break   | -         | 250 %                 | ISO 37       |
| Linear shrinkage T 37 | 3 %       | 0.7 %                 | -            |
| Linear shrinkage T40  | 2 %       | 0.4 %                 | -            |

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## Applications

- Elastomers for Pad Printing
- Reproduction Molding

## **Application details**

Due to its good flow characteristics and its low modulus, ELASTOSIL® M 4400 is particularly suitable as a mold-making material for reproducing intricate structures, even if minor undercuts are involved.

The good resistance to casting resins, especially polyester resins, enables large numbers of castings to be taken from one mold. Other materials, such as plaster or wax, may also be cast without any problems from molds made of ELASTOSIL® M 4400.

Due to the low hardness of the cured rubber and its excellent ink transfer performance, ELASTOSIL® M 4400 is also highly suitable as a starting material for the production of printing pads.

## Processing

ELASTOSIL® M 4400 is cured by adding Catalyst T37 for long pot lives and curing times, or Catalyst T40 for short pot lives and curing times.

The pot life is the period of time at 23  $^\circ\text{C}$  / 50 % rel. humidity during which the catalyzed mix to attain a viscosity of 100,000 mPas and still be just pourable

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## Packaging and storage

#### 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

Being a condensation-curing silicone rubber, ELASTOSIL® M 4400 contains only constituents that over many years have proved to be neither toxic nor aggressive. Special handling precautions are therefore not required, i.e., only the general industrial hygiene regulations apply.

Catalysts T 37 and T 40 contain a tetraorganotin compound, are flammable and may cause irritation in contact with the eyes and skin. Adequate protective measures are required.

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.

| Catalyst | Pot life,<br>approx.<br>[min] | Curing time (tack-free),<br>approx. [h] |
|----------|-------------------------------|---|
| 3 % T 37 | 90                            | 9-12                                    |
| 2 % T 40 | 40                            | 5-7                                     |

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