

# ELASTOSIL® RT 778



## Room Temperature Curing Silicone Rubber (RTV-2)

ELASTOSIL® RT 778 is a non-slump, condensation curing RTV-2 silicone adhesive. When processed with a curing agent of the WACKER® Catalyst T 77 series, a self bonding and durable silicone rubber is formed.

Cured ELASTOSIL® RT 778 shows long-term stability against weathering, moisture and UV light. The silicone elastomer may continuously be exposed to constantly changing climatic conditions, UV radiation and temperatures as high as 250 °C (482 °F) without damage.

## Properties

Uncured:

- Non-slump paste
- Fast curing at room temperature
- To be cured with WACKER® Catalyst T 77 or WACKER® Catalyst T 77 PLUS (recommended mixing ratio: 10:1)

Cured:

- Medium hardness
- Primerless adhesion to many substrates (glass, ceramics, metals, plastics and powder coatings)
- Outstanding heat stability
- Recommended service temperature range: -50 °C to +250 °C
- Suitable for FIPG applications

## Specific features

- Condensation-curing
- Electrically insulating
- Heat resistant
- Non-slump
- Self-adhesive
- Shear thinning
- Thixotropic
- Two-component
- UV & weathering-resistant

## Technical data

### Properties Uncured

Property	Condition	Value	Method
Colour	-	creamy	-
Density	23 °C	1.3 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	DIN 53217
Viscosity, dynamic	25 °C   0.5 1/S	800000 mPa·s	DIN EN ISO 3219

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

### Catalyzed

Mixed with WACKER Catalyst T 77 (mixing ratio in parts by weight)

Property	Condition	Value	Method
Viscosity of the mixture (10:1)	25 °C   0.5 1/s	approx. 400000 mPa·s	DIN EN ISO 3219
Viscosity of the mixture (10:1)	25 °C   25 1/s	approx. 55000 mPa·s	DIN EN ISO 3219
Pot Life (10:1)	23 °C	10 - 15 min	DIN EN ISO 3219
Pot Life (12:1)	23 °C	15 - 20 min	DIN EN ISO 3219
Pot Life (8:1)	23 °C	5 - 10 min	DIN EN ISO 3219
Tack-free time (10:1)	23 °C	approx. 45 min	-
Tack-free time (12:1)	23 °C	approx. 90 min	-
Tack-free time (8:1)	23 °C	approx. 35 min	-

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## Catalyzed

Mixed with WACKER Catalyst T 77 PLUS (mixing ratio in parts by weight)

Property	Condition	Value	Method
Viscosity of the mixture (10:1)	25 °C   0.5 1/s	approx. 400000 mPa-s	DIN EN ISO 3219
Viscosity of the mixture (10:1)	25 °C   25 1/s	approx. 55000 mPa-s	DIN EN ISO 3219
Pot Life (10:1)	23 °C	5 - 8 min	DIN EN ISO 3219
Pot Life (12:1)	23 °C	8 - 10 min	DIN EN ISO 3219
Pot Life (8:1)	23 °C	2 - 5 min	DIN EN ISO 3219
Tack-free time (10:1)	23 °C	approx. 30 min	-
Tack-free time (12:1)	23 °C	approx. 45 min	-
Tack-free time (8:1)	23 °C	approx. 20 min	-

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## Properties Cured

Cured with WACKER Catalyst T 77 or WACKER Catalyst T 77 PLUS, mixing ratio 10:1 (by weight). Curing Conditions: 14 days at 23 °C and 50 % rel. humidity, 2 mm sheet, no post-curing.

Property	Condition	Value	Method
Color	-	black	-
Density	23 °C	1.32 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	DIN EN ISO 1183-1 A
Tear strength	-	7.0	ASTM D 624 B
Hardness Shore A	-	42	DIN ISO 48-4
Tensile strength	-	3.5 N/mm <sup>2</sup>	ISO 37 type 1
Elongation at break	-	180 %	ISO 37 type 1

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## Applications

- Formed-In-Place-Gaskets (Wet Type)
- Machine Building
- White Goods

## Application details

- FIPG grade for applications with high thermal stress
- Typical fields of application: household appliances, mechanical engineering.

## Processing

Mixing and curing:

ELASTOSIL® RT 778 is processed in combination with a curing agent, such as WACKER® Catalyst T 77 or WACKER® Catalyst T 77 PLUS. Prior to application the two compounds should be thoroughly mixed, either manually or by automatic metering lines equipped with static or dynamic mixing devices. The recommended mixing ratio is 10:1 by weight.

Potlife and curing speed can be modified within limits by adjusting the ratio of base compound (ELASTOSIL® RT 778) to curing agent (WACKER® Catalyst T 77 or WACKER® Catalyst T 77 PLUS). Varying the mixing ratio between 8:1 and 12:1 usually has a small effect on the properties of the cured rubber. However, if the mixing ratio differs substantially from the recommended scope, preliminary tests should be carried out to check the cured material's suitability. General information about pot life and resulting curing times are given in the respective tables "Catalyzed".

Moreover curing speed can be slightly accelerated by raising the temperature. Heating, however, must not exceed 60 °C before curing is completed.

After completion of the vulcanization process the product may continuously be exposed to constantly changing climatic conditions, UV radiation and very high temperature without damage. Cured ELASTOSIL® RT 778 usually shows good primerless adhesion to many substrates, e.g. glass, ceramics, metals, plastics and powder coatings.

Detailed information about processing and modifying curing speed is given in our brochure "ROOM TEMPERATURE VULCANIZING (RTV) SILICONES - MATERIAL AND PROCESSING GUIDELINES". We recommend running preliminary tests to optimize conditions for the particular application.

Removal:

If removal of the silicone from machines or dispensing equipment is necessary, white spirit or similar nonpolar solvents are recommended. However, cleaning ideally should take place before the silicone is fully vulcanized. Cured silicone needs to be removed mechanically, if necessary in combination with a swelling agent (solvent).

## Packaging and storage

### Storage

Store in a dry and cool place.

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

While curing ELASTOSIL® RT 778 releases a total of approx. 1.5 - 2 wt.% alcohol. These vapors should not be inhaled for long periods or in high concentrations. Hence ventilation of the work place is recommended.

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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