SpeedMask® 726-SC

Plating, Grit Blast, and Heat-Resistant Maskant with See-Cure Technology

APPLICATIONS

- Plating
- Anodizing
- Grit Blasting
- Shot Peening
- Air Plasma Spray Low
- Temperature
- Powder Coating
- Orthopedic Implant Protection

FEATURES

- Blue-to-Pink Upon Sufficient Exposure to UV/Visible Light
- Excellent Surface Protection
- Fast Curing
- Easy Peel after Exposure to Heat
- Spray or Dip
- Rolls Royce Approval as Metal Spray Maskant with the Designation of OMat 2/240
- ISO 10993-5 Cytotoxicity

RECOMMENDED SURFACES

- Nickel Alloys
- Steel
- Stainless Steel
- Aluminum
- Glass
- Cobalt
- ABS
- PC

SpeedMask® 726-SC maskant with See-Cure technology provides excellent surface protection of turbine and metal components during many plating, decorative etching and anodizing, air plasma spray, blasting, and powder-coating processes. The blue color transitions to pink upon exposure to sufficient light energy indicating full cure has been achieved. 726-SC also has the ability to remain flexible at higher temperature processes up to 204°C [400°F]. This resin cures quickly and is easily removed after processing. When properly cured, 726-SC leaves no residue on non-porous surfaces. The removal of the cured maskant can be aided with the use of a hand tool (plastic, anti-static or metal), heat aided to localize area, an ultrasonic bath, dry ice blast or embrittlement, water jet blast, or automated grippers. Please reach out to Dymax Application Engineering for details on these removal options. SpeedMask resins contain no nonreactive solvents and cure upon exposure to light. Their ability to cure in seconds enables faster processing, greater output, and lower processing costs. When cured with Dymax light-curing spot lamps, focused-beam lamps, or flood lamps, they deliver optimum speed and performance for many masking applications. Dymax lamps offer the ideal balance of UV and visible light for the fastest, deepest cures. This product is in full compliance with RoHS directives 2015/863/EU.

UNCURED PROPERTIES *

Property	Value	Test Method
Solvent Content	No Nonreactive Solvents	N/A
Chemical Class	Acrylated Urethane	N/A
Appearance	Blue Translucent Gel	N/A
Soluble in	Organic Solvents	N/A
Density, g/ml	1.13	ASTM D1875
Viscosity, cP (20 rpm)	52,000 (nominal)	ASTM D2556
Shelf Life at Recommended Conditions from Date of Manufacture	12 months	N/A

CURED MECHANICAL PROPERTIES *

Property	Value	Test Method
Durometer Hardness	D40	ASTM D2240
Tensile at Break, MPa [psi]	6.8 [980]	ASTM D638
Elongation at Break, %	160	ASTM D638
Modulus of Elasticity, MPa [psi]	3.9 [560]	ASTM D638
Glass Transition Tg, °C	39 °C	ASTM D5418

OTHER CURED PROPERTIES *

Property	Value	Test Method
Appearance After Cure	Pink Translucent Solid	N/A
Boiling Water Absorption, % (2 hr)	11	ASTM D570
Water Absorption, % (25°C, 24 hr)	20	ASTM D570
Linear Shrinkage, %	2	ASTM D2566

CURING EQUIPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS *

Process Method	Spot Lamp	Flood Lamp	Conveyor
Broad Spectrum	BlueWave® 200	5000-ECE or PortaRay 400	UVCS Conveyor with Fusion F300S

* Not Specifications

N/A Not Applicable

Technical Data Collected PRIOR TO 2008 Rev.02/10/2023

CURING GUIDELINES

The blue color of this Dymax SpeedMask® resin with See-Cure technology transitions to pink when it is fully cured. Full cure is achieved when additional light exposure does not improve the cured properties. The chart below provides information on how long it takes to complete the transition from blue to pink, using different light sources. Cure rate is dependent upon many variables, including lamp intensity, distance from the light source, and required depth of cure. The times and belt speed for the transition listed below are based on lab results and are intended for reference only. Testing was performed using a 0.38 mm [0.015 in] coating thickness. Time/belt speed was determined by a complete, tack-free cure and transition from blue to pink.

Dymax Curing System (Intensity)	Time or Belt Speed to Complete Transition from Blue to Pink
5000-EC (200 mW/cm^2)[A]	8 s
BlueWave® LED Flood PrimeCure® (575 mW/cm^2)[B]	12.5 s
BlueWave® 200 (10 W/cm^2)[A]	1 s
PortaRay 400 (400 mW/cm^2)[A]	5 s
UVCS Conveyor with Fusion F300S (2.5 W/cm^2)[C]	3.7 m/min [12 ft/min]

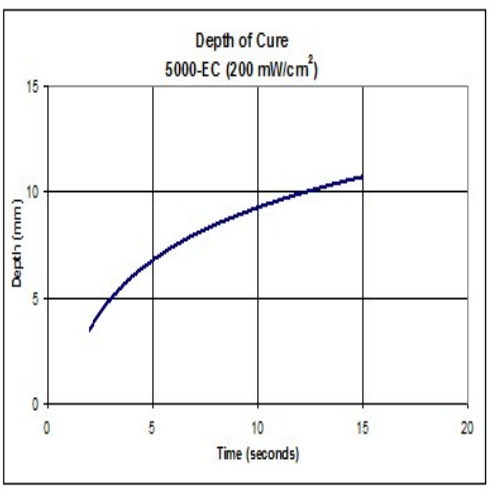
A Intensity was measured over the UVA range (320-395 nm) using a Dymax ACCU-CAL™ 50 Radiometer.
B Intensity was measured over the light range of 350-450 nm using a Dymax ACCU-CAL™ 50-LED Radiometer.
C At 53 mm [2.1 in] focal distance. Maximum speed of conveyor is 8.2 m/min [27 ft/min]. Intensity was measured over the UVA range (320-395 nm) using a Dymax ACCU-CAL™ 160 Radiometer.

Full cure is best determined empirically by curing at different times and intensities. Full cure can also be determined by measuring cured properties such as tackiness, adhesion, hardness, etc. Higher intensities or longer cures may degrade Dymax light-curable masks.

Dymax recommends that customers employ a safety factor by curing longer and/or at higher intensities and/or temperatures than required for full cure. Although Dymax Application Engineering can provide technical support and assist with process development, each customer must ultimately determine and qualify the appropriate curing parameters required for their unique application.

DEPTH OF CURE

The graph below shows the increase in depth of cure as a function of exposure time. A 9.5 mm [0.37 in] diameter specimen was cured in a polypropylene mold and cooled to room temperature. It was then released from the mold and the cure depth was measured.



OPTIMIZING PERFORMANCE AND HANDLING

1. This product cures with exposure to UV and visible light. Exposure to ambient and artificial light should be kept to a minimum before curing. Dispensing components, including needles and fluid lines, should be 100% light blocking, not just UV blocking.
2. All surfaces to be masked should be clean and free from grease, mold release, or other contaminants prior to dispensing the mask.
3. Oxygen in the atmosphere may inhibit surface cure. Surfaces exposed to air may require higher intensity UV (>100 mW/cm^2) to produce a tack-free cure. Flooding the bond area with an inert gas, such as nitrogen, can also reduce the effects of oxygen inhibition.
4. Part should be allowed to cool after cure before testing.
5. Light curing generally produces some heat. If necessary, cooling fans can be placed in the curing area to reduce the heating effect on components.
6. At the point of curing, an air exhaust system is recommended to dissipate any heat and vapors formed during the curing process.
7. Cure speed is dependent upon many variables, including lamp intensity, distance from the light source, required depth of cure, bond gap, and percent light transmission of the substrate

DISPENSING SUPPORT

The Dymax Application Engineering team is ready to discuss your application requirements to provide the most appropriate dispensing and/or spraying solution. Visit our current dispensing equipment portfolio here or consult our global contact phone numbers and online chat feature (available in North America only) during normal business hours for instant support.

STORAGE AND SHELF LIFE

Store the material in a cool, dark place when not in use. Do not expose to light. This product may polymerize upon prolonged exposure to ambient and artificial light. Keep covered when not in use. This material shelf life is noted on page 1 of this document, when stored between 10°C (50°F) and 32°C (90°F) in the original container.

CLEAN UP

Uncured material may be removed from dispensing components and parts with organic solvents. Cured material will be impervious to many solvents and difficult to remove. Cleanup of cured material may require mechanical methods such as ultrasonic bath, water jet, vacuum tweezers, air knife and/or warming to aid in the removal.

BIOCOMPATIBILITY

Polymerized Dymax SpeedMask® 726-SC is biocompatibility tested in accordance with ISO 10993. The completed tests are listed on each product data sheet. Copies of the test reports are available upon request. In all cases, it is the user's responsibility to determine and validate the suitability of these adhesives in the intended medical device. These adhesives have not been tested for prolonged or permanent implantation and are only intended for use in short-term (<29 days) or single-use disposable-device applications. Dymax does not authorize their use in long-term implant applications. Customers using these materials for such applications do so at their own risk and take full responsibility for ensuring product safety and biocompatibility.

GENERAL INFORMATION

This product is intended for industrial use only. Keep out of the reach of children. Avoid breathing vapors. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. Wear impervious gloves. Repeated or continuous skin contact with uncured material may cause irritation. Remove material from skin with soap and water. Never use organic solvents to remove material from skin and eyes. For more information on the safe handling of this material, please refer to the Safety Data Sheet before use.

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