



# RTV103

## Description

RTV102, RTV103, RTV106, RTV108, RTV109, RTV112, RTV116 and RTV118 one-component, ready-to-use adhesive sealants are extremely versatile. They cure to a tough, durable, resilient silicone rubber on exposure to atmospheric moisture at room temperature. Acetic acid vapors are released from the sealant surface as a by-product of cure.

RTV102, RTV103, RTV108 and RTV109 sealants are standard strength paste consistency products which can be applied to vertical and overhead surfaces where pourable/self-leveling sealants are not practical.

RTV112 and RTV118 sealants are self-leveling products which are preferable to paste-consistency sealants when flow into small crevices and hard-to-reach places is desired.

RTV106 sealant is paste-consistency sealant. RTV116 sealant is a self-leveling sealant. Both RTV106 and RTV116 sealants are standard strength high-temperature sealants.

Since all these sealants utilize a moisture cure system, they must not be used in thicknesses of greater than 6mm (1/4 in.).

Where section depths exceed 6mm (1/4 in.), Momentive Performance Materials one component, addition cure or two-component silicone rubber compounds are recommended.

## Key Features and Benefits

- One-component products
- Capability to cure at room temperature and ambient humidity
- Self adhesion properties
- Low temperature flexibility
- High temperature performance
- Excellent weatherability and ozone and chemical resistance
- Excellent electrical insulation properties

## Typical Physical Properties

Uncured Properties	RTV102, RTV103, RTV108, RTV109	RTV106	RTV116	RTV112, RTV118
Consistency	Paste	Paste	Selfleveling	Self leveling
Color	RTV102: White, RTV103: Black, RTV108: Translucent RTV109: Aluminum	Red	Red	RTV112: White, RTV118: Translucent
Viscosity, poises	–	–	250	200
Application Rate,(g/min)	400	400	–	–
Specific Gravity	1.05	1.07	1.09	1.05
Tack-Free Time, min.	20	20	30	20
Cured Properties <sup>(1)</sup>	RTV102, RTV103, RTV108, RTV109	RTV106	RTV116	RTV112, RTV118

<b>Mechanical:</b>				
Tensile Strength,kg/cm <sup>2</sup> (lb/in <sup>2</sup> )	28 (400)	26 (375)	25 (350)	23 (325)
Elongation, %	450	400	350	325
Hardness, Shore A	30	30	20	25
Tear Strength,kg/cm (lb/in)	8 (45)	7 (40)	-	-
Shear Strength, kg/cm <sup>2</sup> (lb/in <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>(2)</sup>	14 (200)	14 (200)	7 (125)	7 (100)
Peel Strength, kg/cm (lb/in) <sup>(3)</sup>	7 (40)	7 (40)	3 (25)	3 (15)

<b>Electrical:</b>				
DielectricStrength,kv/mm (v/mil)	20 (500)	20 (500)	16 (400)	16 (400)
Dielectric Constant@ 60 Hz	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Dissipation Factor@ 60 Hz	.001	.001	.001	.001
VolumeResistivity, ohm-cm	3x10 <sup>15</sup>	3x10 <sup>14</sup>	2x10 <sup>14</sup>	6x10 <sup>14</sup>
<b>Thermal:<sup>(4)</sup></b>				
Brittle Point, °C (°F)	-60 (-75)	-60 (-75)	-60 (-75)	-60 (-75)
Maximum continuous operating temperature, °C (°F)	204 (400)	260 (500)	260 (500)	204 (400)
Maximum intermittent operating temperature, °C (°F)	260 (500)	315 (600)	315 (600)	260 (500)
<b>Additional Information:<sup>(4)</sup></b>				
Linear Shrinkage, %	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Thermal Conductivity, cal/sec/cm <sup>2</sup> , °C/cm	.0005	.0005	.0005	.0005
(Btu/hr/ft <sup>2</sup> , °F/ft)	(.12)	(.12)	(.12)	(.12)
Coefficient of Expansion cm/cm, °C	27x10 <sup>-5</sup>	27x10 <sup>-5</sup>	27x10 <sup>-5</sup>	27x10 <sup>-5</sup>
(in/in, °F)	(15x10 <sup>-5</sup> )	(15x <sup>-5</sup> )	(15x <sup>-5</sup> )	(15x <sup>-5</sup> )

(1) Cure time 3 days/25°C (77°F)/50% relative humidity.(2) At 100% cohesive failure.(3) At 100% cohesive failure using 1 in. x 8 in. stainless steel screen at 180° pull angle.(4) Information is provided for customer convenience only. These properties are not tested on a routine basis.

**Potential Applications**

Product	Features	PotentialApplications	UL	Food Contact
RTV102 (White), RTV103 (Black),  RTV108 (Translucent), RTV109 (Aluminum)	General purpose pastes	General purpose bonding, sealing, electrical insulation, formed-in-place gaskets. Can be applied to vertical or overhead surfaces.	File36952	FDA 21 CFR 177.2600, USDA,NSF International Std. No. 51
RTV106 (Red)	High temperature paste	Sealing heatingelements, gasketing, electrical insulation, and other critical bonding and sealing applications where parts must perform at high temperatures. Can be applied to vertical or overhead surfaces.	File36952	FDA 21 CFR177.2600,USDA, NSF International Std. No. 51
RTV116 (Red)	High temperature	Thin section potting, filling small surface voids, self leveling protective coating, electrical insulation where high temperature performance is required.	File36952	FDA 21 CFR 177.2600, USDA, NSF InternationalStd. No. 51

RTV112 (White), RTV118 (Translucent)	General purpose	Electrical insulation, thin section potting, self leveling protective coatings. Will flow into small crevices and hard to reach places.	File 36952	FDA 21 CFR 177.2600, USDA, NSF International Std. No. 51
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These sealants were not designed for and should not be used for applications intended for permanent implantation into the human body.

These sealants are not for use in delicate electrical and electronic applications in which corrosion of copper, brass or other sensitive metals is undesirable.

## Patent Status

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## Product Safety, Handling and Storage

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## Processing Recommendations

### Surface Preparation

RTV102, RTV103, RTV106, RTV108, RTV109, RTV112, RTV116 and RTV118 sealants will bond to many clean surfaces without the aid of primers. These surfaces typically include many metals, glass, ceramic, silicone rubber and some rigid plastics. These adhesive sealant products will also produce fair bonds to organic rubber and to some flexible plastics not containing fugitive plasticizers (which migrate to the surface, impairing adhesion). An evaluation should be made to determine bond strength for each specific application. For difficult-to-bond substrates, use of a primer is suggested. Primers SS4004, SS4044 and SS4179 are recommended for use with these sealants. Complete information and usage instructions for these primer products are contained in a separate product data sheet.

Where adhesion is required, surfaces should be thoroughly cleaned with a suitable solvent such as naphtha or methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) to remove dirt, oil and grease. The surface should be wiped dry before applying the adhesive sealant.

When solvents are used, proper safety precautions must be observed.

### Application and Cure Time Cycle

Paste-consistency products may be applied directly to clean or primed substrates. Where broad surfaces are to be mated, the sealant should be applied in a thin, less than 6mm (1/4 in.) diameter, bead or ribbon around the edge of the surface to be bonded.

Flowable products may be applied to clean or primed substrates by pouring directly from the original container or dipping. These products will self-level on a surface, filling small crevices and surface voids. Depth of potted sections should not exceed 6mm (1/4 in.).

The cure process begins with the formation of a skin on the exposed surface of the sealant and progresses inward through the material. At 25°C (77°F) and 50% relative humidity, RTV102, RTV103, RTV106, RTV108, RTV109, RTV112 and RTV116 sealants will form a surface skin which is tack-free to the touch in 15 to 30 minutes. Once the tack-free skin has begun to form, further tooling of the adhesive sealant is not advisable.

Higher temperatures and humidity will accelerate the cure process low temperatures and low humidity will slow the cure rate.

As the adhesive sealant cures, acetic acid vapors are released from the sealant surface. The odor of acetic acid will completely disappear when curing is completed.

A 3mm (1/8 in.) section of adhesive sealant will cure through in approximately 24 hours at 25°C (77°F) and 50% R.H. Since cure time increases with thickness, use of these adhesive sealants should be limited to section thicknesses of 6mm (1/4 in.) or less.

### **Bond Strength Development**

In addition to the effects of temperature and relative humidity, development of maximum bond strength will depend on joint configuration, degree of confinement, sealant thickness and substrate porosity. Normally, sufficient bond strength will develop in 12 to 24 hours to permit handling of parts. Minimum stress should be applied to the bonded joint until full adhesive strength is developed. Eventually the adhesive strength of the bond will exceed the cohesive strength of the silicone rubber sealant itself. Always allow maximum cure time available for best results.

### **PACKAGING AND DISPENSING**

RTV adhesive sealants from Momentive Performance Materials are supplied ready-to-use in collapsible aluminum squeeze tubes, caulking cartridges and in bulk containers.

Collapsible aluminum tubes may be squeezed by hand or with the aid of mechanical wringers which allow more complete removal of material from the tube. Air-operated dispensing guns may also be used with aluminum tubes and offer the advantages of improved control and faster application for production line use. The sealant may be dispensed from caulking cartridges by using simple mechanical caulking guns or air-operated guns. Air-operated guns will allow greater control and application speed. Both tubes and cartridges are easy to use, can be put into production quickly and require minimal capital investment.

**Note:** Do not exceed 45 psig when used in air-powered caulking guns.

Bulk containers require a larger initial investment in dispensing equipment, but offer the most economical packaging for volume production. Bulk dispensing systems are air-operated extrusion pumps coupled to hand or automated dispensing units. Pumps which are specifically designed for pumping one-component RTV silicone rubber have TEFLON® seals, packings and lined hoses to prevent moisture permeation and pump cure problems.

### **CLEAN UP AND REMOVAL**

Before curing, solvent systems such as naphtha or methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) are most effective. Refer to solvent use warnings in the section on surface preparation.

After cure, selected chemical strippers which will remove the silicone rubber are available from other manufacturers. Specific product information may be obtained on request.

### **Limitations**

Customers must evaluate Momentive Performance Materials products and make their own determination as to fitness of use in their particular applications.

### **Specifications**

#### **FDA STATUS**

RTV102, RTV103, RTV106, RTV108, RTV109, RTV112, RTV116 and RTV118 sealants can be used in food contact applications where FDA regulations apply.

#### **USDA STATUS**

RTV102, RTV103, RTV106, RTV108, RTV109, RTV112, RTV116 and RTV118 sealants may be used on equipment which may contact edible products in official establishments operating under the Federal meat and poultry products inspection program. See USDA letter of Authorization.

#### **NSF INTERNATIONAL STATUS**

NSF International lists RTV102, RTV103, RTV106, RTV108, RTV109, RTV112, RTV116 and RTV118 sealants under NSF International Standard No. 51 (Plastic Materials and Components for Use in Food Equipment), as satisfactory for use on food contact surfaces.

#### **UL STATUS**

RTV102, RTV103, RTV106, RTV108, RTV109, RTV112, RTV116 and RTV118 silicone rubber adhesive sealants are recognized by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., under their Component Recognition Program (UL File No. E-36952).

**MILITARY SPECIFICATION**

MIL-A-46106

Group I	Type I	General Purpose Paste: RTV102, RTV103, RTV108, RTV109
	Type II	General Purpose Flowable: RTV112, RTV118
Group III	Type I	High Temperature Paste: RTV106
	Type II	High Temperature Flowable: RTV116

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