

## TECHNICAL DATA SHEET - MAXISIL "A" CERAMIC SILICONE SEALANT

### DESCRIPTION - MAXISIL "A" CERAMIC

Acetoxy Silicone Sealant with good tooling and smoothing properties in a large variety of colours

- Is a one-component silicone sealant.
- Is based on an acetoxy cross-linking system.
- Vulcanizes at room temperature (RTV)

### FIELDS OF APPLICATION - EXAMPLES

Maxisil A Ceramic is designed for applications in the ceramic, sanitary, bathroom, kitchen and flooring sectors. For example it can be used for:

- Sealing connection joints between ceramic tiles, bath tubs, shower cabins, sinks etc.
- Sealing expansion joints of floors and walls.
- A wide variety of further applications in the building sector, such as:
- Sealing connection joints of door and window frames
- Sealing aluminium/glass constructions and windows
- Non-structural glazing of glass
- Glass block glazing
- Sealing parapet elements
- Sealing other building components.
- Interior/ exterior use.



Please note: Use Maxisil N natural stone silicone sealant for natural stone application such as marble and natural stone. For nonferrous and galvanized metals, we recommend a neutral cure silicone .

### ADVANTAGES

- Good tooling and smoothing properties
- Excellent primerless adhesion to glazed and unglazed ceramic tiles
- Primerless adhesion to many other substrates
- Medium skin-forming time for easy handling
- Excellent weatherability, resistant to ageing, UV-radiation and chemicals and temperature resistance
- High mechanical strength ensures a good impact. Resistance (notched impact value, tensile strength and tear-propagation resistance)
- Ready-to-use
- Contains no solvents, such as formaldehyde, CFC, PCB, PCP
- Equipped with fungicides
- Meets DIN 18545, part 2,D (german industrial standard)
- Variety of colours in stock - special colours available on request.

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### 1. TECHNICAL DATA

<b>Viscosity</b>	<b>non-sag and pasty</b>
Density at 23 0C, 50 % RH	~ 1.0 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Shore-A-hardness	~ 18 to 22
Temperature resistance	- 60 to + 180 0C
Tooling temperature	+ 5 to + 35 0C
Skin-forming time at 23 0C, 50 % RH	~8 to 12 min.
Curing in 24 hours at 23 0C, 50 % RH	~2 to 3 mm
Tensile strength	~1.2 to 1.5N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Tensile elongation	~400 - 600 %
Modulus at 100 % elongation	~0.35 to 0.40 N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Movement capability	~25%
Shelf - life at 23 0C, 50 % RH	
Cartridge/sachet: 12 months	
Pail/drum: 6 months	

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### 2. INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

#### 2.1. SURFACE PREPARATION

**Compatibility:** Paints, lacquers, plastics and other coatings must be compatible to the sealant.

**Cleaning:** Clean all joints/substrates, remove all foreign matter and contaminants such as grease, oil, dust, water, frost, surface dirt, old sealants, glazing compound., protective coatings (e.g. bituminous coatings) and other substances which can affect adhesion. The joint edges must be firm.

**Cleaners for porous substrates:** They should be cleaned with stiff-bristled brush, rubbed down or sandblasted.

**Cleaners for non-porous substrates:** Cleaned with Maxisil A Ceramic Cleaner, methylated spirit or other cleaners with an acetone or isopropanol basis. Use a clean, lint free, cotton cloth.

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Back-up foam should be inserted in order to establish the correct depth of the joint and to avoid adhesion to the bottom of the joint.

**Indoor use:** PUR (polyurethane) back-up foam

**Outdoor use:** PE (polyethylene) back-up foam as cells are closed and water repellent

**Shallow joints:** PE back-up tape

### 2.3. PRIMER SCHEDULE

	SUBSTRATES	RECOMMENDED PRIMER
Concrete, Masonry, Natural stone	Concrete, porous concrete, fibre-reinforced cement	105
	Mortar	1215/105
	Brick	1215/105
	Plaster	105
	Sandstone	Maxisil N Natural Stone
	Marble, granite and all other kinds of natural stone	Maxisil N Natural Stone
	Artificial stone	Maxisil N Natural Stone
Glass, Ceramics, porcelain	Glass	+
	Glass, reflective	+
	Porcelaine coated materials	+
	Ceramic tiles, glazed	+
	Ceramic tiles unglazed	+
	Mirror glass	Mirror Adhesives
	Enameled/vitrified surfaces	+
Metals	Aluminium	+
	Aluminium, anodized	1216
	Aluminium, lacquered	T
	Aluminium, fluoro-carbon coating	T
	Chrone	1216

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	Brass	-
	Iron, red lead painted	Use neutral cure silicone
	Stainless steel	1216
	Lead	Use neutral cure silicone
	Steel, galvanized	Use neutral cure silicone
	Zinc	Use neutral cure silicone
	Copper	
Plastics	ABS	+ / T
	Acrylic glass, Perspex®, melamine-formaldehyde resin	Use Adhesive for plastics
	Epoxide	T
	Formica®, Respoal®, melamine-formaldehyde resin	1216
	PVC, unplasticized	1217
	PVC, plasticized	1217
	Polyacrylate (Rohm Plexiglass®GS, ICI Perspex®, atohaas Altuglas®CS sanitary tubs etc.)	+ / 1216
	Polycarbonate	Use Adhesive for plastics
	Polyethylene, PE	-
	Polyamide	T
	Polystyrene	T
Wood	Wood, painted (solvent - based)	+
	Wood, unpainted (water - based)	T
	Wood, untreated	1215
	Wood, varnished (solvent\ - based)	1216

### Symbols used for Recommended Primer

- Not recommended
- + Good primerless adhesion
- T Test recommended

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### 2.4 ADHESION AND PRIMING / PRIMER SCHEDULE

**Application primer:** The primer must be applied in a thin even layer on the flanks of the joint.

**High demands on adhesion:** Extreme fluctuations in temperature, tensile or shear forces, permanent water etc. cause high stress on adhesion. In such cases, it is advisable to apply primer according to the recommendations of our technical department.

### 2.5 APPLICATION SEALANT

Avoid direct contact between sealant and plasticiser emitting products: Direct contact between sealant and the following plasticiser emitting products should be avoided because these products may cause yellowing of light-coloured silicone sealants: e.g. butyl rubber, ethylenepropylendienemonomerpolymer (EPDM), neoprene, bituminous coatings and products.

**Application sealant:** Sealant must be applied after the primer has dried for at least 15 minutes.

**Avoid air entrapment:** The joint must be completely filled to avoid air entrapment and to make the joint leak-proof.

**Tooling/smoothing:** The sealant must be smoothly tooled before the skin forms in order to ensure integral contact with joint flanks. Our smoother shows an excellent tuning to our sealant and is particularly kind to the skin.

**Masking tapes:** Masking tapes must be removed immediately after tooling.

**Silicone sealant and overpainting:** The paint film will not stretch with the extension of the silicone sealant. The paint film may crack or peel and the silicone sealant may be damaged.

## 3. TECHNICAL SERVICE AND CONSULTING

Our technical department provides access to laboratory facilities and application support.

## 4. COLOUR

Please contact your local distributor for a list of available colours.

## 5. PACKAGING

Unit	310 g cartridge	400 ml sachet			Other Packaging on request
Units per carton	20	20			
Units per pallet	1200	900			
Primer	250ml	500ml	1 ltr	Aluminium Bottle	
Smoothtex	250ml	500ml	5 ltr		
Cleaner	250ml				

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### 6. SAFETY

Please refer to the products material safety data sheet.

### 7. DISPOSAL

Disposal should be made in accordance with federal, state and local regulations.

### 8. WARRANTY

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