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TECHNICAL BULLETIN

Siltech® Film Formers

DESCRIPTION

Siltech Film Formers are designed to coalesce and react on hard surfaces such as concrete, porcelain, countertops, or rubber; flexible surfaces such as fabric, paper or leather; or biologic surfaces such as skin or hair creating a thin coating. This film provides protective properties such as release, slip, anti-squeak, or anti-stain; feel properties such as softness or conditioning; and optical properties such as gloss or light scattering.

Silicone-based film formers are highly flexible providing durability in real life situations. They can be particularly good at repelling water or water-based stains, retaining a wet look or shine and what is perceived as an ultimate softness.

Comparison of Siltech Film Formers

Product	Actives	Degree of film forming	Unique Properties	Individual Differentiation
Siltech E-2150	30%	High	Amine groups for anchoring to surfaces and providing durability	Most durable
Siltech E-2157	30%	High		More stable
Siltech E-2155	30%	Lower		Most flexible
Siltech E-2655	50%	High		Best combined properties
Siltech E-2178	40%	High	More water repellence, rubbery feel, neutral, non-yellowing	Some paintability and water repellence
Siltech E-2478	50%	Medium		Faster cure
Siltech E-2154	50%	Medium	High gloss and paintable	
Siltech E-2156	45%	Medium	Anchored and durable with gloss and paintable	
Siltech E-2770	60%	High	Stronger films give good adhesion and a soft, non-tacky rubbery feel.	Soft and repellent
Siltech E-8010	50%	Highest		Water and stain repellent
Siltech E-8050	50%	Highest		Softer and best repellency

Siltech E-2150, E-2155 and E-2655 Film Formers are aminoalkyl functional which provides anchoring for durability, increased softness and lubrication, and enhanced deposition onto negatively charged or reactive surfaces. These products are available in different degrees of cross-linking which provides the film formation.

Siltech E-2178, and E-2478 use non-reactive cross-linkers and so leave films which tend to provide a more organic feel, better water repellence and a neutral surface. These also do not yellow with time as the amino functional products sometimes do.

Siltech E-2154 uses an aromatic cross-linker providing higher gloss and increased organic nature. This is often overcoatable or paintable due to the aryl moieties present in the film.

Siltech E-2156 combines the anchored, durable films of the aminoalkyl products with the higher gloss and overcoatable nature of **Siltech E-2154**.

Siltech E-2770, E-8010 and E-8050 have a unique proprietary component which gives maximum film formation and improved properties as well as a soft feel.

TYPICAL PROPERTIES

Emulsifier Package	APEO free nonionic emulsifiers
Appearance	Milky Liquid
Viscosity, cSt	10-50
Active Content %	30-60%
Water solubility	Dispersible, dilutable

USES AND APPLICATION

Typically, these materials are diluted with water and used at low use levels.

Applications include roofing, concrete treatments, mold release, fabric care, protective coatings, car care, kitchen and bath cleaners, polishes,

The higher cross-linked materials tend to be more rigid and more durable, they give more protection and more release. Gloss is sometimes, but not always compromised with higher cross link densities. Lubrication and softness are generally better with less cross linking.

Siltech® E-2150 is very effective when used with PUDs for hydrophobization of weather stripping.

Siltech E-2178 and newer product **Siltech E-2478** have been shown to be very effective as concrete or stucco water-proofing agents. **Siltech E-2178** is preferred where freeze-thaw stability is needed. **Siltech E-2178** can be used as a non-wovens hydrophobic treatment.

Counter intuitively, too much material on the surface can negatively impact performance. Your screening experimental design is best done at two use levels, one high and the other low with several silicone materials.

SAFETY

Before handling, read the specific Material Safety Data Sheet and container label for safe use, physical and health hazard information.

STORAGE AND SHELF LIFE

Check the individual data sheets and MSDSs for specific products, but generally when stored in the original, unopened containers between 10 and 40°C, **Siltech Film Formers** have a shelf life of 12 months from date of manufacture.

PACKAGING

Siltech Film Formers are available in 20kg and 200kg containers.

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