

Silicon-based Photovoltaic Solutions

A Portfolio of PV Materials from Dow Corning



Welcome to the Photovoltaic Material Selection Guide

Dow Corning delivers silicones, siliconbased technology and high-performance products that help create more reliable solar systems to increase kW/hour output and profitability. With material solutions tested to meet the specific requirements of the solar energy industry, we can help you lower costs, increase durability, reliability and improve performance.

As a global supplier of high-purity monosilane gas, Dow Corning offers you a reliable and cost efficient supply of an important component of crystalline PV cell coatings.

As an innovator in PV assembly and integration solutions, Dow Corning offers materials that can increase durability, efficiency and performance while reducing manufacturing costs. The inherent properties of silicones — especially its UV stability and transparency — provide you with numerous advantages over incumbent organics.

Built on more than 70 years of expertise, Dow Corning is a global partner, collaborating with leading solar companies to improve levelized cost of energy for solar power.

We invite you to review our selection guide and contact one of our solar experts. Please see the back cover for more information. And if you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at *solar.solutions@dowcorning.com*. Because at the end of the day, your success is our success.

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	Dow Corning® Brand	Description/Advantages	Cure System						
PV Cell	PV-5802 Electrically Conductive Adhesive	Electrical and mechanical bonding for back-contact module Stencil printing for automatic module assembling process Curing profile matches typical lamination • Low CTM (cell-to-module) power loss • Superior stability and durability Low material consumption	Addition cure						
PV Cell	Monosilane	Anti-reflective coating for crystalline solar cell Feedstock for amorphous and micromorph thin film PV Sold via gas distributors	N/A						
PV Cell Encapsulant	PV-6150 Cell Encapsulant	• Back side encapsulant • Inherently UV stable • Excellent humidity resistance • Self-priming adhesion • Fast heat cure (100°C)	Addition cure						
	PV-6212 Cell Encapsulant	High optical transmission • UV transparent to 250 nm Adhesion to glass, PET-based PV back-sheet and solar cells Inherently UV stable • Excellent humidity resistance • Superior electrical insulation • Fast heat cure (100°C) • PID resistant	System D Addition cure						
PV Junction Box Potting Agent	PV-7010 Potting Agent	Proven solution in PV industry • Fast room temperature or heat cure • Thick section cure • No solvents or cure byproducts • Translucent material • Minimal shrinkage	Addition cure						
	PV-7030R Potting Agent	Adhesion to typical PV substrates Fast room temperature or heat cure • Thick section cure No solvents or cure byproducts • Minimal shrinkage	Addition cure						
	PV-7321 Potting Agent	• Proven solution in PV industry • Adhesion to typical PV substrates • Good thermal conductivity	Condensation cure						
	PV-7326 Potting Agent	Good adhesion performance to junction box substrate Compatible with frame sealant and adhesive sealant Flame resistance VO = 3mm • Neutral alkoxy sealant • Fast room temperature cure • Tailor made product for PV junction box potting	System B						
	Solar PV InstantSeal	Adhesion to typical PV substrates • Safe to handle – nonhazardous composition and byproducts • Clear product improves module aesthetics	Moisture cure						
PV Junction Box Adhesive	PV-8101F Sealant	Adhesion to typical PV substrates • Fast tack-free time Flexible rubber • Fast, deep section cure	Moisture cure						
	PV-8007 Neutral Sealant	High-performance silicone adhesive/sealant with fast green strength • High elasticity after cure allows flexibility in harsh conditions • Adhesion to typical PV substrates • Protects against mechanical shock and thermal cycling stress	Moisture cure						
	PV-8080 Neutral Sealant	Adhesion to typical PV substrates • Protects against mechanical shock and thermal cycling stress • High-performance with high elasticity after cure	Moisture cure						
	PV-804 Neutral Sealant	Proven solution in PV industry • Adhesion to typical PV substrates Protects against mechanical shock and thermal cycling stress at components	Moisture cure						
	PV-8303 Ultra Fast Cure Sealant	• Adhesion to typical PV substrates • Ultra-fast cure for fully automated processes • Two-part product providing customized cure rate using <i>Dow Coming®</i> PV-8300 Base	Condensation cure						
	PV-8301 Fast Cure Sealant	Adhesion to typical PV substrates • Fast cure allowing increased production rates • Two-part product providing customized cure rate using <i>Dow Corning</i> ® PV-8300 Base	Condensation cure						
	PV-8030 Adhesive	Adhesion to typical PV substrates • Protects against mechanical shock and thermal cycling stress at components	Moisture cure						
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Mix Ratio/		Viscosity cPs	Specific	Working	Cure Time/	Thermal			
By Weight	Color	Extrusion Rate g/min	Gravity Mixed Parts	Time @ 25°C	Temperature	Conductivity	Shelf Life	UL Ratings	Packaging
1-part	Gray	95 Pa.s @ 10 s ⁻¹	3.95 g/cm ³	72 hours	5 minutes @ 145°C	N/A	6 months	N/A	1.5 kg in dental cups
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
1:1; 2-part	Transparent	Part A 440 cPs Part B 280 cPs	0.97	1 hour	1 minute @ 100°C	N/A	12 months	UL registered; RTI 105°C	Drums
1:1; 2-part	Transparent/ translucent	Part A 53,200 cPs Part B 51,600 cPs	0.97	1 hour	T90 @ 110°C 22.5 seconds	0.171 W/(m K)	6 months	N/A	180 kg drum per part
1:1; 2-part	Translucent blue and green	Part A 425 cPs Part B 400 cPs	0.98	5–10 minutes	90–100 minutes @ 25°C 10–15 minutes @ 50°C 2–5 minutes @ 75°C	0.20 W/(m K)	12 months	UL 94 V1; HAI/HWI/CTI=0; RTI 105°C; (f2)-UV/H ₂ O exposure	Cartridges, pails and drums
1:1; 2-part	Black	Part A 2,835 cPs Part B 2,733 cPs	1.2	8–10 minutes	3.25 hours @ 25°C 18.5 minutes @ 50°C 4.3 minutes @ 75°C	0.28 W/(m K)	12 months	UL 94 V1; HAI/CTI=0; HWI=2; CTI/inclined plane tracking 600 V and greater; RTI 105°C; (f2)-UV/H ₂ O exposure	Cartridges, pails and drums
10:1; 2-part	White	Mixed: 8,000 cPs	1.25	22 minutes	72 hours @ 25°C and 50% RH*	0.31 W/(m K)	12 months	UL 94 HB; HAI=0; HWI=3; CTI=0; RTI 105°C	1.1 kg-KIT, pails and drums
6:1	White and black	3,300 cPs	1.42	72 hours	7.6 minutes	0.54 W/(m K)	12 months	Testing in progress	12 kg pail, 2 kg can
1-part	Clear	200,000 cPs at application temperature	1.06	15 minutes with a green strength of 15 psi	48 hours @ 25°C - 2 mm	N/A	12 months	UL 94 HB; RTI 105°C	Pails
1-part	White and black	210 g/minute	1.41	4 minutes and 50% RH*	24 hours @ 25°C and 50% RH* - 2 mm	N/A	12 months	UL 94 HB; HWI=2; HAI=0; CTI=0; RTI 105°C	White: sausages and drums Black: cartridges, sausages and drums
1-part	White and black	170 g/minute	1.56	10 minutes and 50% RH*	24 hours @ 25°C and 50% RH* - 2 mm	N/A	12 months	UL 94 V1 (6mm) HB (3mm); UL RTI 105°C; UL HAI=1; HWI=1; CTI=0	Cartridges, sausages, pails and drums
1-part	White and bright white	197 g/minute	1.51	10–15 minutes and 50% RH*	24 hours @ 25°C and 50% RH* - 2.5 mm	N/A	12 months	UL 94 HB; HWI=2; HAI=0; CTI=0; RTI 105°C	Cartridges, sausages, pails and drums
1-part	White and black	190 g/minute	1.4	30 minutes	24 hours @ 25°C and 50% RH* - 2 mm	N/A	12 months	UL 94 V1 (5mm) HB (3mm); HWI=2; HAI=0); CTI=1; RTI 105°C; (f2)-UV/H ₂ O exposure	Cartridges, pails and drums
2-part base; catalyst 7:1	Black	190 g/minute	1.31	5–10 minutes	2.5 hours @ 25°C	N/A	Catalyst: 12 months Base: 12 months	UL 94 HB; HWI=2; HAI=3; CTI=0; RTI 105°C	Base: pails and drums Catalyst: pail
2-part base; catalyst 10:1	Black	190 g/minute	1.31	20–25 minutes	8 hours @ 25°C	N/A	Catalyst black: 14 months; Catalyst clear: 12 months; Base: 14 months	UL 94 HB; HWI=3; HAI=0; CTI=0; RTI 105°C	Base: pails and drums Catalyst: pails
1-part	White and black	110 g/minute	1.34	20–30 minutes	24 hours @ 25°C and 50% RH* - 3 mm	N/A	18 months	UL 94 HB; HWI=2; HAI=2; CTI=0; RTI 105°C	Cartridges, pails and drums
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