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Properties	Test	NuSil Test Method	ASTM Test Method	Units Reported	Description / Comments
Cured Physical Properties	Durometer	NT-TM-006	ASTM D-2240	Type A Type 00 Type D As Specified	A measure of indentation hardness.
	Tensile Strength	NT-TM-007	ASTM D-412; ASTM D-882	psi	A measure of tensile strength for elastomeric and plastic materials.
	Tear Strength	NT-TM-009	ASTM D-624	ppi	A determination of tear strength for elastomeric and plastic materials.
	Elongation	NT-TM-007	ASTM D-412; ASTM D-882	%	The percent elongation at the point of material failure.
	Tensile Modulus	NT-TM-007	ASTM D-412; ASTM D-882	psi	The determination of tensile strength at specified elongation.
	Tensile Set	NT-TM-066	ASTM D-412	%	The extension remaining after a specimen has been stretched and allowed to retract in a specified manner, expressed as a percentage of the original length.
	Thermal Conductivity	NT-TM-101	ASTM E-1530	w/m·K (cal/cm·sec°C)	A measure of thermal transmission properties by means of guarded heat flow meter technique. Mean test temperatures range from 0 - 300°F (150°C).
	Resilience	NT-TM-062	ASTM D-2632	%	A measure of dynamic rebound of elastomeric materials.
	Compression Set	NT-TM-065	ASTM D-0395	Percent of original deflection	A measure of the effects of exposing cured rubber to compressive stress.
	Gel Penetration	NT-TM-011		millimeter (1/10)	A measure of penetration hardness.
	Lap Shear Strength	NT-TM-010	ASTM D-1002	psi	A measure of adhesive / cohesive strength of material, utilizing primed or unprimed lap panels.
	Specific Gravity	NT-TM-003	ASTM D-792	N/A	A measure of specific gravity utilizing a water displacement technique.
	Foam Density	NT-TM-026	ASTM D-3574; ASTM D-792	Mass / Volume	A measure of foam density.
	Refractive Index	NT-TM-018	ASTM D-1218; ASTM D-1747	Refractive Index	Index of uncrued and cured material measured by the critical angle method using monochromatic light.
	Color Measurement	NT-TM-110	ASTM D-523 / E-308	Delta E	Color measurement in transmission or reflectance against a standard.
	Shrink	NT-TM-059	-	%	Used to determine shrinkage of elastomeric materials which occurs during vulcanization and cure.
	Porosity	NT-TM-073	-	Porosity Rating 1-3	A measure of bubbles or pores within a cured elastomer. A comparison between the sample and a set of standards is reported.

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Uncured Physical Properties	Specific Gravity	NT-TM-097	ASTM D-1298	N/A	A measure of specific gravity utilizing a hydrometer.
	Specific Gravity	NT-TM-022	ASTM D-891; ASTM D-1475	N/A	A measure of specific gravity utilizing a pycnometer.
	Flow	NT-TM-019	ASTM D-2202	0.1 inch	A measure of the degree of slump in a highly viscous material.
	Extrusion Rate	NT-TM-033	ASTM C-603	Mass / Unit time	A measure of the extrusion rate of unvulcanized rubber compounds.
	Viscosity	NT-TM-001	ASTM D-1084; ASTM D-2196	Centipoise	Viscosity measurement using Brookfield RVT viscometer.
	Kinematic Viscosity	NT-TM-025	ASTM 445	Centistoke	A measure of low viscosity fluids using Cannon Fenske routine.
	Plasticity	NT-TM-058	ASTM D-926	mils	The plasticity number is related to flow properties and elastic properties.
	Rheometer (ODR)	NT-TM-069	ASTM 2084	Max Torque (in.x lb.) Scorchtime (mins.) T90 (curetime)(mins.)	A specimen is contained within the vulcanization chamber under condition of preset temperature and pressure. A disk in contact with the specimen is oscillated through a small arc which exerts a shear strain on the specimen. The force (torque) required to oscillate the disk is proportional to the stiffness (shear-modulus) of the specimen.
Chemical Properties	Infrared Spectrophotometry FTIR	NT-TM-057		A scan will be provided	A method to determine material identity.
	Non-Volatile Content (% Solids)	NT-TM-004	ASTM D-2288; ASTM D-2369	%	A measurement of non-volatile and volatile content.
	Non-Volatile Content (% Solids) Silicone Primers	NT-TM-047	ASTM D-2288; ASTM D-2369	%	A measurement of non-volatile and volatile content in silicone primers.
	Total Mass Loss (TML) & Collected Volatile Condensible Materials (CVCM) from outgassing in a vacuum environment	NT-TM-072	ASTM E-595	%	The results are effective in determining the suitability of materials for use in aerospace, clean- room, circuit board, and other ultra high vacuum equipment applications.
	Swell Test, %	NT-TM-038	-	%	A measure of the absorption of solvent material via differences in specific gravity.
	Total Extractables, %	NT-TM-056	-	% Extractables	A measure quantifying the amount of extractable material in silicone via change in mass.
	Elemental Analysis & Trace Metals	NT-TM-131	ASTM E-305	ppm	Measure of trace elements.







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