



# THIXON™ 423 Clear

**Description** THIXON™ 423 Clear is a vulcanizing adhesive which can be used as a one-coat adhesive or as a covercoat adhesive over THIXON™403/404 adhesive primer for bonding castable polyurethane to various substrates. THIXON™423 can also be used as a one-coat adhesive for bonding thermoplastic polyurethanes to metal. THIXON™423 can also be used as a protective coating for metal, polyurethane, epoxy, polyester and fiberglass compounds.

**Benefits & Features** Good one-coat system for Thermoplastic Urethane to metal bonding with better heat resistance than THIXON™ 405.

| Uncured Properties                            | Nominal Value  | Unit              | Test Method |
|---|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Color   | Blue           |                   |             |
| Solids Content                                |                |                   |             |
| -- 1  | 20             | %                 |             |
| -- 2  | 23 to 26       | %                 | ASTM D2369  |
| Density                                       | 0.923 to 0.947 | g/cm <sup>3</sup> | ASTM D1475  |
| Dry Film Density                              | 0.95           | g/cm <sup>3</sup> |             |
| VOC Content                                   | 5.10           | lb/gal            |             |
| Flash Point <sup>3</sup>                      | -4.00          | °C                |             |
| Viscosity <sup>4</sup> (25°C, Brookfield RVT) | 0.18 to 0.40   | Pa·s              | ASTM D1084  |
| Viscosity (25°C)                              | 19             | sec               | Zahn Cup 3  |
| Theoretical Coverage <sup>5</sup>             | 18.5           | m <sup>2</sup> /l |             |
| Recommended Film Thickness                    | 15             | µm                |             |
| Recommended Film Thickness Range              | 15 to 50       | µm                |             |
| Shelf Life <sup>6</sup> (25°C)                | 24             | month             |             |

**Elastomer**

Castable Urethanes with the use of THIXON™ 403/404 primers or Thermoplastic Urethane (TPU)

**Substrate**

CRS, Phosphate or grit blast pre-treated CRS, Aluminum, Stainless Steel, fiberglass, polyester, nylon, rayon fibers, etc.

**Surface Prep**

Review Dow 's rubber-to-substrate bonding agent application guide or contact your account manager.

**Mix Instructions**

Diluent - PM acetate, or THIXON™ 917 solvent blend should be mixed into THIXON™ 423 Blue to ensure consistent and uniform coating color.

**Application Technique**

Brushing: for brush applications use undiluted. Brush on a heavy wet film of THIXON™ 423 without brushing excessively. To obtain the required film thickness, brush on two coats. Dip - For dip applications, dilute 3 parts THIXON™ 423 with 1 part diluent. To obtain a film thickness of 1 mil, dip twice.

**Drying the Film**

Dry the film of THIXON™ 423 before continuing. At normal room temperature, dry for 30 to 45 minutes. At lower temperatures, dry longer. The drying time can be shortened by force drying approximately 5 to 10 minutes at 120 to 160°F. Do not dry at temperatures above 180°F.

**Molding and Curing**

Most molding and curing methods. Use a cure temperature between 190 to 350°F.

**Pre-Bake Resistance**

For the best results, prebake the coated metals for ½ to 3 hours at 200 to 300°F, depending on the weight of the metal. This product can withstand prebaking in forced air convection ovens, with proper ventilation, for up to 16 hours at 250°F.

**Dry Film Stability**

Excellent dry film stability. Inserts which have been coated can be stored for several weeks before use, if they are protected from airborne contaminants.

**Clean-up**

Equipment clean up should be done using recommended dilution solvents.

**Packaging/Sizes Available**

Drums, pails and gallon cans.

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**Storage & Stability**

The shelf life of this material is assured for 24 months (from the date of manufacture) at temperatures below 78°F in an unopened container.

**Toxicity and Safety Information**

Read the Safety Data Sheet before using this material. Toxicity and safety information is included in the SDS.

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**Notes**

These are typical properties only and are not to be construed as specifications. Users should confirm results by their own tests.

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<sup>1</sup> By volume

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<sup>2</sup> Non-volatile solids by weight

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<sup>3</sup> SetaFlash Closed Cup

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<sup>4</sup> Spindle #1, @ 20 RPM

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<sup>5</sup> Applied at a dry film thickness of 15 microns/0.6 mils

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<sup>6</sup> Unopened

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