

# **MOLYKOTE® 55 O-Ring Grease**

# Silicone-based grease for O-rings

#### **Features**

- Excellent oxidation resistance
- Good corrosion protection
- Wide service-temperature range: -65 to 175°C (-85 to 347°F)
- · Compatible with many plastics and elastomers
- No intentional polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) or per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)

### Composition

- Silicone oil
- Ester
- · Lithium soap

# **Applications**

Lubrication between rubber and metal parts in pneumatic systems in aircraft, automotive and general industrial applications.

#### **DESCRIPTION**

MOLYKOTE® 55 O-Ring Grease is a silicone-based material that helps ensure positive lubrication and sealing by slightly swelling rubber O-rings and seals. This product is heat-stable and oxidation-resistant and is serviceable from approximately -65 to 175°C (-85 to 347°F).

#### How to use

MOLYKOTE® 55 O-Ring Grease should be applied using brush, grease gun, or automatic lubrication system. MOLYKOTE® 55 O-Ring Grease can be used in centralized lubrication systems. Do not mix with other greases.

MOLYKOTE® 55 O-Ring Grease has been shown to swell natural rubber. However, compatibility of the lubricant may vary with the plasticizer content of specific materials (especially elastomers). Small-scale compatibility testing should be conducted prior to the use of this product in any application.

# **Typical properties**

Specification writers: These values are not intended for use in preparing specifications. Please contact your local MOLYKOTE® sales representative prior to writing specifications on this product.

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Standard <sup>(1)</sup>	Test	Unit	Result
	Color		Off-white
	NLGI consistency class		approx. 2
ASTM D217	Worked penetration	mm/10	290
ISO 2811	Density at 20°C (68°F)	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	0.98
DIN 51 562	Base oil viscosity at 25°C (77°F)	mm²/s	100
	Service temperature	°C	-65 to 175
		°F	-85 to 347
ASTM D566	Drop point	°C	220
		°F	428
ASTM D147880	Low temperature torque test at -65°C (-85°F)		
	Initial break-away torque	Nm	325 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>
	Torque after 20 minutes running time	Nm	35 x 10 <sup>-3</sup>
Coefficient of	friction		
	Steel ball against plastic surface (POM) Ø ball = 12.7 mm, load = 6.3 N, v =10 mm/s, 24 hr	μ =	0.03
Resistance			
DIN 51 808	Oxidation resistance, pressure drop 100 hr, 99°C (210°F)	bar	0.1
Corrosion pro	tection		
DIN 51 802	SKF-Emcor method – degree of corrosion		0
FED Std 791	Bleed, 24 hr at 150°C (302°F)	%	3.0
	Evaporation, 24 hr at 150°C (302°F)	%	1.4
ASTM D1264	Water washout resistance	%	4.2

<sup>(1)</sup>ASTM: American Society for Testing and Materials. ISO: International Standardization Organization. DIN: Deutsche Industrie Norm. FED: Federal Standard: Testing Method of Lubricants, Liquid Fuels and Related Products.

MOLYKOTE® 55 O-Ring Grease should not be used with the following materials unless thoroughly tested for your specific application:

- Silicone rubber (SR)
- Polycarbonate (PC)
- Acrylonitrile-butadiene- styrene (ABS)
- Liquid oxygen (or other strong oxidizers)

# **Handling precautions**

PRODUCT SAFETY INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR SAFE USE IS NOT INCLUDED IN THIS DOCUMENT. BEFORE HANDLING, READ SAFETY DATA SHEETS AND CONTAINER LABELS FOR SAFE USE, PHYSICAL AND HEALTH HAZARD INFORMATION.

# Usable life and storage

When stored at or below 32°C (90°F), MOLYKOTE® 55 O-Ring Grease has a shelf life of 60 months from date of manufacture. Refer to product packaging for "Use By" date.

## **Packaging**

This product is available in different standard container sizes as shown on **molykote.com**. Detailed container size information should be obtained from your nearest MOLYKOTE® sales office or MOLYKOTE® distributor.

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