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# Product Profile

## MED-360 Silicone Fluid

### Description:

NuSil Technology MED-360 Fluid is a clear, colorless polydimethylsiloxane liquid. Available in standard viscosities of 350, 1000 and 12,500 cps. Custom blends are also available.

- Controlled Volatility
- High water repellency
- Resistance to decomposition by heat and oxidation.
- Lubrication characteristics
- Low surface tension
- Low order of toxicity and skin sensitization

### Instructions For Use:

NuSil Technology MED-360 Fluid can be applied directly to surfaces by techniques such as dipping, spraying or wiping to provide a lubricious and/or hydrophobic coating. When a very thin film of fluid is desired, NuSil Technology MED-360 Fluid can be diluted to 1 to 5 weight percent silicone solids in a non-polar solvent. This solution can then be applied to a surface using the above techniques. After NuSil Technology MED-360 Fluid has been applied, allow sufficient time to permit the solvent to evaporate.

Although NuSil Technology MED-360 Fluid possesses excellent lubricant characteristics, the fluid may not provide satisfactory lubrication when used in load-bearing situations, especially metal against metal. The fluid provides temporary lubricity when applied to silicone elastomers. This lubricity lasts 2 to 3 hours, at which time diffusion

of the fluid into the elastomer depletes the surface of fluid and reduces or eliminates all lubricating characteristics. Since the rate of diffusion of these fluids into a silicone elastomer decreases as the molecular weight of the fluid increases, the higher-viscosity fluids lubricate a silicone elastomeric surface for a slightly longer period than the lower viscosity fluids. Polydimethylsiloxane elastomers tend to swell and decrease in durometer when exposed to NuSil Technology MED-360 Fluid. Before exposing a silicone elastomer to a silicone fluid, one should evaluate the effect of the exposure on performance. Nusil Technology's MED-400, MED-420, and MED-460 (Fluorosilicone polymer and MethylFluorosilicone copolymer) may be evaluated for such applications

Thin films of MED-360 Fluid on plastics, metal and glass provide a temporary, water-repellent barrier. On temperature-resistant materials, such as glass, ceramic and metal, this fluid film can be converted to a highly durable hydrophobic, film by heating the treated surface. Heating times and temperatures of 2 hours at 250°C (482°F), 1 hour at 276°C (500°F) or 30 minutes at 300°C (572°F) are satisfactory.

### Typical Properties as Supplied:

|                            | <u>MED-360</u>       |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Chemical Classification    | MQ                   |
| Color                      | Clear                |
| Viscosity, cP              | 100 - 100,000        |
| Refractive Index           | 1.403                |
| Specific Gravity           | 0.970                |
| Volume Resistivity ohms-cm | 1 x 10 <sup>15</sup> |

|                                    |                                     |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dielectric Strength, volts/mil     | 400                                 |
| Coefficient of Expansion, cc/cc/°C | 0.00096                             |
| Operating Temperature Range        | -40°C to 200°C<br>(-104°F to 395°F) |

THE FOLLOWING TEST ARE CONDUCTED ON EVERY LOT OF THE STANDARD VISCOSITIES, 350, 1000, AND 12,500 CENTIPOISE.

|                                |      |
|--------------------------------|------|
| Collected Volatile Condensable |      |
| Material %, (CVCM)             | 0.01 |
| Total Mass Loss %, (TML)       | 0.50 |
| Pyrogenicity                   | Pass |
| Systemic Toxicity              | Pass |
| Intracutaneous Toxicity        | Pass |

TOTAL MASS LOSS AND COLLECTED VOLATILE CONDENSABLE MATERIAL ARE TESTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASTM E-595 AND NASA SP-R-0022A.

### Sterilization:

**Dry Heat** - Thin films of MED-360 Fluid can be sterilized by dry heat. The minimum sterilization program recommended is 2 hours at 160°C (320°F). (Note: The time necessary to raise the temperature of the fluid must be added.)

**Steam Autoclaving** - Sterilization of bulk fluid by steam autoclaving is not recommended. Excess water diffuses into the fluid, causing the fluid to become hazy. Thin films of fluid may be satisfactorily sterilized by this method.

**Gamma Irradiation** - The exposure of polydimethylsiloxane fluids such as MED-360 Fluid, to 2.5 megarads (25 K. Gray) of Co<sup>60</sup> radiation has the effect of introducing small levels of cross-linking into the fluid and is observed as an increase in fluid viscosity. This effect is most noticeable in the higher-viscosity fluids. As with any exposure of a product to radiation, one should evaluate product performance after exposure to determine if such treatment has detrimental effects.

**Ethylene Oxide** - The sterilization of bulk quantities of MED-360 Fluid by ethylene oxide (ETO) is not recommended. The high solubilities of ETO and the associated ETO by-products in polydimethylsiloxane fluids increase the difficulty of removing these materials from the fluids using normal outgassing procedures. Thin films of MED-

360 Fluid can be sterilized by ETO procedures because their large surface-to-volume ratios allow them to be relatively easily freed from ETO residues by normal outgassing procedures.

### Compatibility:

NuSil Technology MED-360 Fluid is soluble in all proportions in the following nonpolar solvents:

- Aliphatic Hydrocarbon (e.g., hexane, heptane, mineral spirits)
- Aromatic hydrocarbon (e.g., toluene, xylene).
- Chlorinated hydrocarbon (e.g., methylene chloride, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride, 1,1,1 trichloroethane).

Solvents selected from this list are frequently used to dilute NuSil Technology MED-360 Fluid as a means of applying the fluid to articles by dipping or spraying.

### Packaging:

NuSil Technology MED-360 Fluid is available with a viscosity range of 100 to 100,000 centipoise.

Two Ounce Container  
One Pint Container  
One Gallon Container  
Five Gallon Container  
Two ML Case (36 x 2ML)  
Two ML Case (144 x 2ML)

### FDA Master File:

A Master File for MED-360 has been filed with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The Master File contains the results of applicable chemical and mechanical equivalency tested as well as confirmatory biological testing. Customers interested in authorization to reference these files must contact NuSil Technology.

### U.S.P Monograph & European Pharmacopoeia:

MED-360 has been tested in accordance with and meets the requirements of:

- United States Pharmacopoeia (USP) [NF 18] "Dimethicone" Monograph
- European Pharmacopoeia (EP) Monograph for "Dimeticone"
- European Pharmacopoeia (EP) Monograph for "Silicone Oil Used as a Lubricant"

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