

Digesil NC (701)

Digests cured silicone, oils, grease, elastomer, rubber

Catalytic solvent that shears the Si-O bond in the silicone molecule to break down silicone elastomer, rubber, resins as well as oils and greases so that they dissolve in the carrier. The residues can be rinsed away with water or iso-propanol to leave a silicone-free surface. Low solvency for non-silicones means it has little effect on most plastics, paint or powder coating though it will dissolve nylon and butyl. Does not corrode metals and may be used on glass. As the vapour pressure is low, it is not a VOC.

- · Quickly dissolves cured silicone, oils and greases
- · Leaves silicone-free surface
- Non VOC
- · Chlorinated and fluorinated solvent free
- Negligible aromatic solvent content
- · Environmentally responsible
- · Low odour for operator comfort
- High flash point for safety
- · Low density for ease of handling
- Rinses with water or solvent
- · Safe on glass, metal and most plastic (except nylon and butyl)
- Non corrosive to metals
- Safe on paint and powder coating (not nylon)
- Water free

Application - Needed anywhere that silicone is used

Digesil®NC dissolves cured silicone and can be used to remove silicone from components, floors, surfaces, tools, moulds process equipment in engineering, construction, glazing and electronic industries. The areas of potential usefulness are so wide it is impossible to list them all.

NB. Raising the temperature to 50 °C will dramatically speed up the process especially with high cross-linked or other difficult silicones.

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Specification

Appearance:	Clear, mobile liquid
Colour:	Brown. Can darken with age.
Odour:	Aliphatic-hydrocarbon
S.G.:	0.82
Dissolution time	20 Seconds (how quickly it starts to work on silicone rubber)
Capacity	up to140 grams per litre of silicone can be dissolved

Method of use.

Important: As little as 0.3% water stops the catalytic action so all surfaces and areas being treated must be dry. In addition the presence of water can cause Digesil® to become corrosive to metals. Most solvents and detergents and many other chemicals also deactivate the system so make sure everything is free from contamination. Do not store in an open container. Enough water can be absorbed from the atmosphere to stop the product working.

As the number of applications is so numerous it is only possible to give general guidelines as to how to use the product. Please contact us with details of your process if you would like more specific application details.

Best results will be achieved by immersion of the equipment to be cleaned in a tank of Digesil®NC. Slow movement of the liquid with a pump or impeller will increase the speed of action fourfold. It is important that the tank is fitted with a lid to keep out atmospheric moisture. Leave until all silicone is dissolved. The time required will depend on the thickness of the silicone and its degree of cross-linking but Digesil® NC will most likely loosen and debond cured silicone residues in 30 minutes to 1 hour. Repeated brush applications can be used if immersion is not possible. After treatment, rinse well with water or solvent to achieve a silicone-free surface. For best results, brush or swab with iso-propanol and rinse in flowing water otherwise rinse in water with some brushing.

NB Do not replace parts wet with water or iso-propanol into Digesil®. Both can stop Digesil® from working and water can make Digesil® corrosive to metals.

WASTE & UNUSED MATERIAL

We advise that any rinse off or unused material is collected and disposed of via a certified chemical waste disposal company.

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