



Cyanoacrylate 388 Product Data Sheet

Product Description

Vibra-TITE 388 is a black, medium viscosity, rubber-toughened ethyl cyanoacrylate adhesive. Provides superior shock and thermal resistance when bonding rubbers, metals, and plastics in harsh environments.

Physical Properties

Monomer (Liquid)

Base Compound	Ethyl Cyanoacrylate
Appearance	Black Liquid
Viscosity (cP @ 68°F)	500 cP
Specific Gravity (g/cc)	1.06
Flash Point (TCC)	185°F
Shelf Life @60°F	6 month unopened

Military Specifications

Mil-A-46050C
Type II, Class 2

Curing Properties

Ambient surface moisture will initiate the hardening process. Handling strength is reached in a short period of time and varies depending on environmental conditions and substrates being bonded. Product will continue to cure for at least 24 hours before full strength and resistances are developed.

Setting Time (68°F, 65% R.H.)

Steel	25 to 60 seconds
Aluminum	25 to 50 seconds
Neoprene	20 to 40 seconds
ABS	25 to 50 seconds
Polycarbonate	40 to 80 seconds
PVC	20 to 38 seconds

Curing Performance

The gap of the bond line will affect set speed. Smaller gaps tend to increase the speed. Activators can be applied to improve set speed but may also impair overall adhesive performance.

Polymer (Cured)

Appearance	Black Solid
Service Temperature Range	-65°F to 280°F
Softening Point	329°F
Refractive Index (ND 20)	1.49
Full Cure Time	24 Hours
Dielectric Strength (KV/mm)	11.6
Dielectric Constant (@ 1Kc)	5.4
COE (in./in./F)	.000126
Tensile Strength (steel/steel)	3700 psi
Solubility	Nitromethane, Acetone, Dimethylformamide

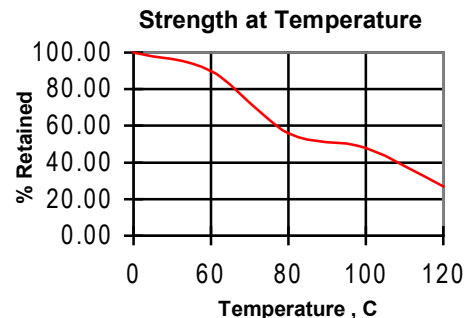
Performance of Cured Materials

Tensile Shear strength after 48 hours at 20° to 25°C

<u>Substrate</u>	<u>Range in N/mm2</u>
Blasted Steel	20 to 28
Etched Aluminum	14 to 23
Neoprene	> 10
ABS	> 6
Polycarbonate	> 5
PVC	> 6

Temperature Resistance

Sheer Strength on steel after 1 week at 22 °C





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Chemical Resistance

Shear strength on steel after 12 month soak

% Strength Retained

Solvent

Motor Oil	100
Gasoline	100
Trichloroethane	100
Freon TA	100
10% NaOH	0
10% Hcl	0
Water	0

General Instructions

Surfaces to be bonded should be clean and dry.

Dispense a drop or drops to one surface only. Apply only enough to leave a thin film layer after compression.

Press parts together and hold firmly for a few seconds. Good contact is essential. An adequate bond develops in less than one minute and maximum strength is attained in 24 hours.

Wipe off excess adhesive from the top of the container and recap. Cyanoacrylate products if left uncapped may deteriorate by contamination from moisture in the air. Because Cyanoacrylate products cure by polymerization, whitening may appear on the surface of the container or the bonded materials. Should this happen, wipe surfaces well with acetone.

For safe handling information on this product, consult the Material Safety Data Sheet, (MSDS)

General Information

Storage

Products should be stored unopened in a cool, dry place out of direct sunlight. Products should be kept at room temperature away from direct light. Protect from extreme heat or cold, do not refrigerate.

Note

Prior to use, remove all surface contaminants such as oil or grease. Products like isopropyl alcohol can be used. Test compatibility of cleaner with substrate.

Make sure surface is completely dry before bonding.

Health & Safety in use

CAUTION: SuperGlues bond skin and eyes on contact. If accidental skin bonding occurs, wash area with warm soapy water and slowly pry skin apart using a blunt object (such as a teaspoon handle.) In case of eye contact, bathe immediately with water and seek immediate medical attention.