



## SpeedMask® 9-7004-REV-A

### Blue PCB Protective Maskant with Fluorescing Tracer

#### APPLICATIONS

- Masking for most Conformal Coating Applications
- Masking for Wave Solder or Reflow Processes
- Masking for Parylene Coatings

#### FEATURES

- UV/Visible Light Curable
- Manual or Automated Dispensing
- Non-Slumping Thixotropic Formulation
- Brilliant Blue Appearance
- Compatible with Gold and Copper Pins
- LED-Curable 385 nm or Broad Spectrum

#### OTHER FEATURES

- Fluorescing Blue Color for Easy Visual Inspection
- Halogen Free
- Pending SIR IPC-TM-650 Method 2.6.3.4

SpeedMask® 9-7004-REV-A cures upon exposure to light and is designed for rapid masking of electronic components and assemblies. This product fluoresces blue for in-line inspection under low-intensity “black” light (365 nm). SpeedMask 9-7004-REV-A is formulated to protect machine holes, keep-out areas, connectors, and other critical components. This mask is easily removable, eliminating the concern of ionic contamination or silicone left behind by other masking methods. SpeedMask resins contain no nonreactive solvents, no intentionally added PFAS, and cure upon exposure to light. Their ability to cure in seconds enables faster processing, greater output, and lower processing costs. When cured with Dymax light-curing spot lamps, focused-beam lamps, or flood lamps, they deliver optimum speed and performance for masking. Dymax lamps offer the ideal balance of UV and visible light for the fastest, deepest cures. This product is in full compliance with RoHS directives 2015/863/EU.

#### UNCURED PROPERTIES \*

Property	Value	Test Method
Solvent Content	No Nonreactive Solvents	N/A
Chemical Class	Acrylated Urethane	N/A
Appearance	Blue Translucent Gel	N/A
Soluble in	Organic Solvents	N/A
Density, g/ml	1.08 g/ml	ASTM D1875
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Viscosity, cP	117,500 (nominal)	DSTM 502‡
Shelf Life at Recommended Conditions from Date of Manufacture	9 months	N/A

#### CURED MECHANICAL PROPERTIES \*

Property	Value	Test Method
Durometer Hardness	A63	ASTM D2240
Tensile at Break, MPa [psi]	1.4 [200]	ASTM D638
Elongation at Break, %	70	ASTM D638
Modulus of Elasticity, MPa [psi]	4.1 [600]	ASTM D638
Glass Transition Tg, °C	-4	ASTM D5418

#### OTHER CURED PROPERTIES \*

Property	Value	Test Method
Boiling Water Absorption, % (2 hr)	6.5	ASTM D570
Water Absorption, % (25°C, 24 hr)	12	ASTM D570
Linear Shrinkage, %	1.8	ASTM D2566
CTEα1, μm/m/°C	70	ASTM E831
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#### CURING EQUIPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS \*

Process Method	Spot Lamp	Flood Lamp	Conveyor
LED Curing/Wavelength	BlueWave® MX-150 PrimeCure® (385 nm)	BlueWave® FX-1250	UVCS Conveyor with LED Floods
Broad Spectrum	BlueWave® 200	5000-ECE or PortaRay 400	UVCS Conveyor with Fusion F300S

#### ADHESION

Substrate	Recommendation
Lead Frame	✓
Ceramic	✓
PCB	✓
Flex	✓
Silicon	✓

✓ Recommended      ○ Limited Applications  
 † Requires Surface Treatment (e.g. plasma, corona treatment, etc.)

\* Not Specifications

N/A Not Applicable

‡ DSTM Refers to Dymax Standard Test Method

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**CURING GUIDELINES**

Cure rate is dependent upon many variables including lamp intensity, distance from the light source, and required depth of cure. The cure times below are based on lab results and are intended for reference only. Testing was performed using a 0.38 mm [0.015 in] coating thickness. Time/belt speed was determined by a complete, tack-free cure.

Dymax Curing System (Intensity)	Cure Time or Belt Speed <sup>A</sup>
5000-EC (200 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>A</sup>	1 s
BlueWave® 200 (10 W/cm <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>A</sup>	0.2 s
BlueWave® MX PrimeCure® (1.15 W/cm <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>B</sup>	0.2 s
UVCS Conveyor with one 5000-EC (200 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>C</sup>	25 fpm
UVCS Conveyor with Fusion F300S (2.5 W/cm <sup>2</sup> ) <sup>C</sup>	27 fpm

<sup>A</sup> Intensity was measured over the UVA range (320-395 nm) using a Dymax ACCU-CAL™ 50 Radiometer.

<sup>B</sup> Intensity was measured over the light range of 350-450 nm using a Dymax ACCU-CAL™ 50-LED Radiometer.

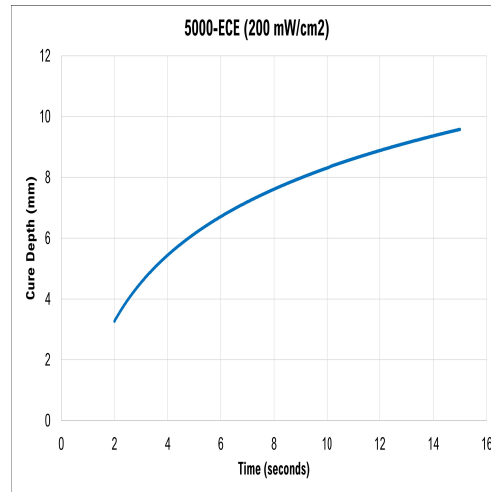
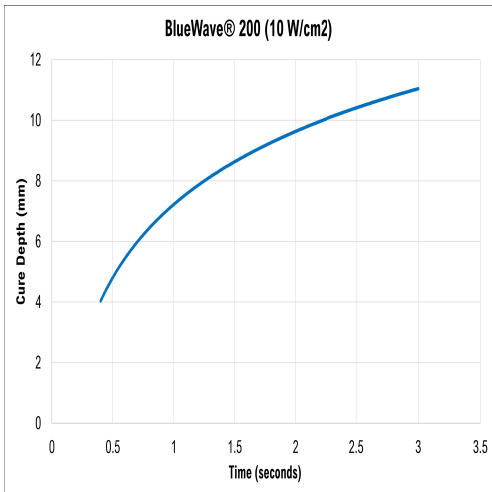
<sup>C</sup> At 53 mm [2.1 in] focal distance. Maximum speed of conveyor is 8.2 m/min [27 ft/min]. Intensity was measured over the UVA range (320-395 nm) using a Dymax ACCU-CAL™ 160 Radiometer.

Full cure is best determined empirically by curing at different times and intensities, and measuring the corresponding change in cured properties such as tackiness, adhesion, hardness, etc. Full cure is defined as the point at which more light exposure no longer improves cured properties. Higher intensities or longer cure times may degrade light-curable maskants.

Dymax recommends that customers employ a safety factor by curing longer and/or at higher intensities than required for full cure. Although Dymax Application Engineering can provide technical support and assist with process development, each customer ultimately must determine and qualify the appropriate curing parameters required for their unique application.

**DEPTH OF CURE**

The graphs below show the increase in depth of cure as a function of exposure time with two different lamps at different intensities. A 9.5 mm [0.37 in] diameter specimen was cured in a polypropylene mold and cooled to room temperature. It was then released from the mold and the cure depth was measured.





## OPTIMIZING PERFORMANCE AND HANDLING

1. This product cures with exposure to UV and visible light. Exposure to ambient and artificial light should be kept to a minimum before curing. Dispensing components including needles and fluid lines should be 100% light blocking, not just UV blocking.
2. All surfaces in contact with the material should be clean and free from flux residue, grease, mold release, or other contaminants prior to dispensing the material.
3. Cure speed is dependent upon many variables, including lamp intensity, distance from the light source, required depth of cure, thickness, and percent light transmission of components between the material and light source.
4. Oxygen in the atmosphere may inhibit surface cure. Surfaces exposed to air may require high-intensity (>100 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>) UV light to produce a dry surface cure. Flooding the curing area with an inert gas, such as nitrogen, can also reduce the effects of oxygen inhibition.
5. Parts should be allowed to cool after cure before testing and subjecting to any loads or electrical testing.
6. Light curing generally produces some heat. If necessary, cooling fans can be placed in the curing area to reduce the heating effect on components.
7. At the point of curing, an air exhaust system is recommended to dissipate any heat and vapors formed during the curing process.

## DISPENSING THE MASKANT

SpeedMask® such as Dymax 9-7004-REV-A are typically dispensed as a bead. In order to achieve a consistent coating at a thickness of 1 mm high x 2 mm width bead, preliminary dispense recommendations include but are not limited to the following:

- PVA Delta 6 Selective Coating/Dispensing System with PVA VPX 450 valve and 18-gauge tip
  - Travel Speed: 10 mm/sec
  - Fluid Pressure: 20 psi
  - Flow rate: 2 mL/min
  - Valve Height: 1 mm

The Dymax Application Engineering team is ready to discuss your application requirements to provide the most appropriate dispensing and/or spraying solution. Visit our current dispensing equipment portfolio [here](#) or consult our [global contact](#) phone numbers and online chat feature (available in North America only) during normal business hours for instant support.

## STORAGE AND SHELF LIFE

Store the material in a cool, dark place when not in use. Do not expose to light. This product may polymerize upon prolonged exposure to ambient and artificial light. Keep covered when not in use. This material shelf life is noted on page 1 of this document, when stored between 10°C (50°F) and 32°C (90°F) in the original container.

## CLEAN UP

Uncured material may be removed from dispensing components and parts with organic solvents. Cured material will be impervious to many solvents and difficult to remove. The removal of the cured maskant can be aided with the use of a hand tool (plastic, anti-static or metal), heat aided to localize area, an ultrasonic bath, dry ice blast or embrittlement, water jet blast, or automated grippers.



## GENERAL INFORMATION

This product is intended for industrial use only. Keep out of the reach of children. Avoid breathing vapors. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. Wear impervious gloves. Repeated or continuous skin contact with uncured material may cause irritation. Remove material from skin with soap and water. Never use organic solvents to remove material from skin and eyes. For more information on the safe handling of this material, please refer to the Safety Data Sheet before use.

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