



# Scotchcast™ Electrical Resin 3

Two-Part, Oven-Curing, Class B, Rigid, Unfilled, Epoxy Liquid Resin

## Data Sheet

### Product Description

3M™ Scotchcast™ Electrical Resin 3 is characterized by outstanding physical and electrical stability and superior resistance to moisture. Its low viscosity and fine wetting properties allow complete impregnation of fine wires in coils. Resin 3 is well suited to impregnating, potting and encapsulating applications such as coils, transformers, modules and other electrical and electronic components.

- Temperature rated (130°C)
- Low viscosity, general purpose
- Physically and electrically stable

### Handling Properties

Mix Ratio (A:B)	Wt 2:3 Vol (%) 37:63
Viscosity @ 23°C (73°F)	A = 12,500 cps B = 400 cps Mixed = 1,600 cps
Density	A = 1.16 kg/l (9.71 lbs/gal) B = 1.00 kg/l (8.35 lbs/gal)
Flash Point	A = 205°C (400°F) B = 174°C (345°F)
Gel Time	21 min. @ 121°C (250°F)
Curing Guide	120°C (248°F) 1-2 hrs. 95°C (203°F) 6-8 hrs. 77°C (170°F) 12-16 hrs.

### Test Methods

<sup>1</sup> MIL-I-16923E	<sup>5</sup> Fed. Std. No. 406, Method 4031
<sup>2</sup> Fed. Std. No. 406, Method 1021	<sup>6</sup> 3M Test Method
<sup>3</sup> Fed. Std. No. 406, Method 1011	<sup>7</sup> Fed. Std. No. 406, Method 4021
<sup>4</sup> Fed. Std. No. 406, Method 1031	<sup>8</sup> Fed. Std. No. 406, Method 4041

### Typical Properties

\*Not recommended for specification purposes.  
Product specifications will be provided upon request.

Property	Value*
Color	Clear Amber
Specific Gravity (Cured)	1.10
Compressive Strength <sup>2</sup> 10% Compression	9500 psi (670 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )
Tensile Strength <sup>3</sup>	4400 psi (310 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )
Elongation <sup>3</sup> (% @ break)	2
Flexural Strength <sup>4</sup>	7900 psi (557 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> )
Electric Strength <sup>5</sup> 1/8" (3.175 mm) sample	300 V/mil (12 kV/mm)
Hardness (Shore D)	80
Thermal Conductivity <sup>1</sup> (cal · cm/cm <sup>2</sup> · sec · °C)	4.0 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>
Coefficient of Linear Thermal Expansion <sup>1</sup> (23° C to 113°C) (length/unit length/°C)	20 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>
Thermal Shock <sup>6</sup> 10 cycles - 55C to 130°C 1/4" (6.35 mm) Olyphant Insert	Fails
Thermal Shock <sup>1</sup>	Fails
Moisture Absorption <sup>1</sup> %Weight Gain (240 hrs. @96 % R.H.)	0.5
Water Immersion <sup>6</sup> (Sample cured 3 hrs. @ 120°C) %Weight Gain (1000 hrs. @ 23°C)	0.8
Thermal Aging 1000 hrs. @130°C % Weight Loss	1.5
Hardness Change, Shore D	+3
Dielectric Constant <sup>7</sup> (100 Hz @ 23°C)	3.37
Dissipation Factor <sup>7</sup> (100 HZ @ 23 °C)	.0085
Volume Resistivity <sup>8</sup> (ohm-cm @ 23°C)	1.3 x 10 <sup>15</sup>
Thermal Aging 1000 hrs. @155°C % Weight Loss	.93
Hardness Change, Shore D	+7
Dielectric Constant <sup>7</sup> (100 Hz @ 23°C)	3.64
Dissipation Factor <sup>7</sup> (100 HZ @ 23 °C)	.02
Volume Resistivity <sup>8</sup> (ohm-cm @ 23°C)	1.9 x 10 <sup>15</sup>

**Note:** These are typical values and should not be used for specification purposes.

## Usage Information

### **Mixing**

Mix the separate parts before removing them from their containers. They may be warmed to 60°C (140°F) to aid mixing. Weigh the correct proportions of the separate parts to within 2% accuracy and combine them. Thoroughly blend the mixture until the color is absolutely uniform or a homogeneous mixture is achieved.

### **Deaerating**

Entrapped air can be removed by evacuating for 5 to 15 minutes at 5 to 10 mm of mercury absolute pressure. Warming the 3M™ Scotchcast™ Electrical Resin to 60C (140°F) facilitates this process. Container side walls should be four times the height of the liquid resin to contain foaming that takes place under vacuum.

### **Casting and Impregnating**

Pour the warm resin into the preheated 100°C mold. If no mold is used, dip the preheated part into the resin. Heating the resin and mold aids impregnation. For maximum impregnation, evacuate for 5 to 15 minutes at 5 mm of mercury absolute pressure, or pour under vacuum and hold for several minutes before releasing.

### **Curing**

Where minimum stress and maximum thermal shock resistance are required, the lower temperature cure cycle is recommended. (See “Curing Guide” of **Handling Properties** section). Time should be added to cure cycle to allow the resin to reach curing temperature.

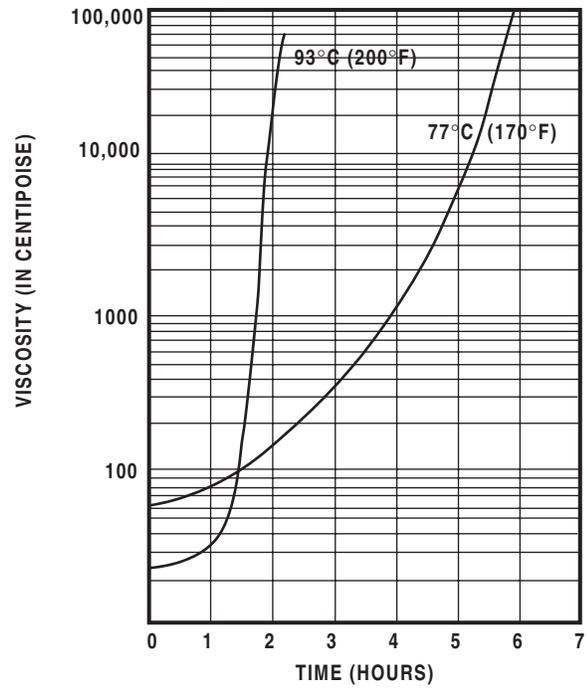
### **Storage**

Both parts of this resin system should be stored at temperatures between 20 to 30 degrees Celsius, and 30% to 60% relative humidity. When not in use, containers should be kept tightly closed. Storage at conditions outside those suggested may compromise the performance of the resin.

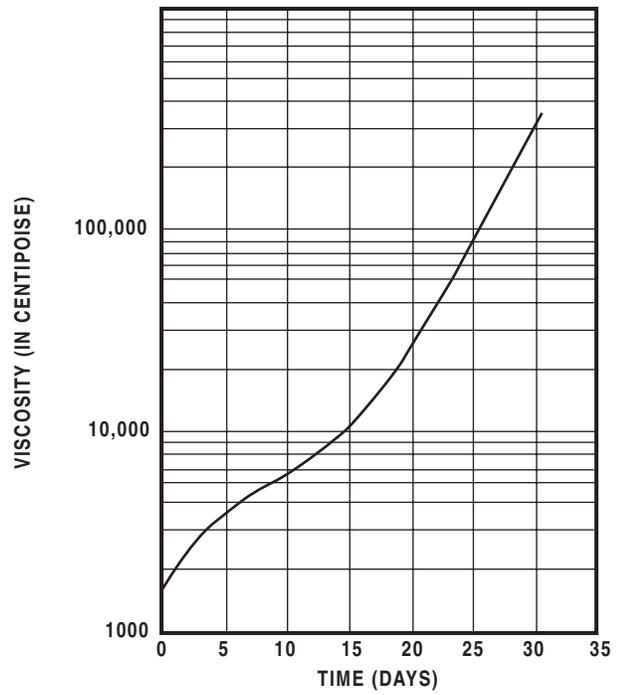
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Read all Health Hazard, Precautionary and First Aid Statements found in the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS and/or product label of chemicals prior to handling or use.

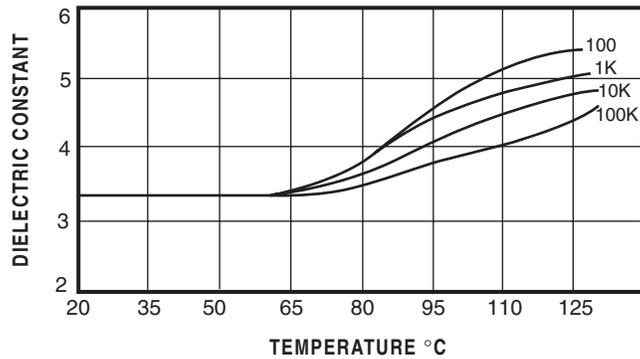
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@77°C (170°F) & 93°C (200°F)



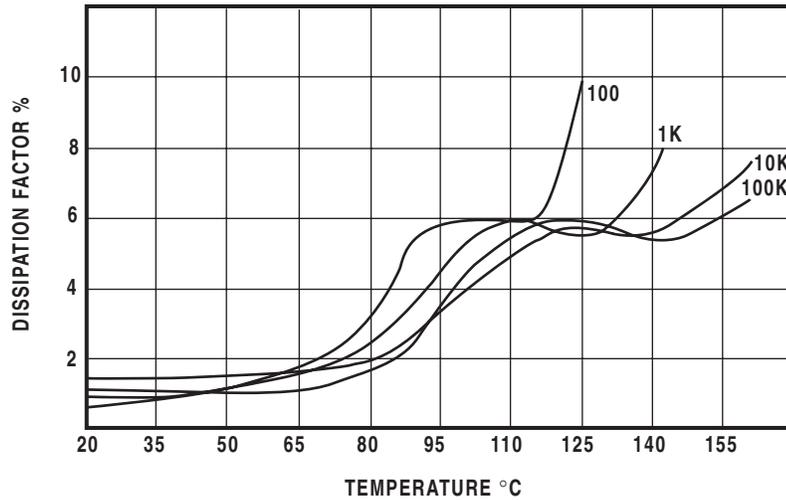
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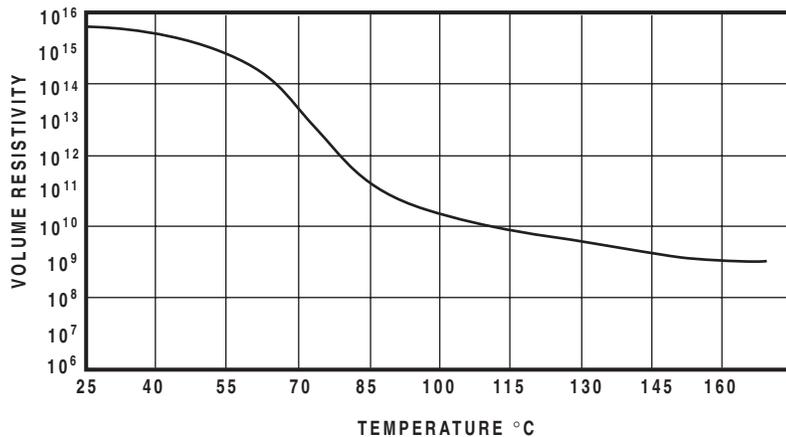
**DIELECTRIC CONSTANT**  
 Fed. Std. 406, Method 4021  
 (Test Frequencies in Hertz)



**DISSIPATION FACTOR**  
 Fed. Std. 406, Method 4021  
 (Test Frequencies in Hertz)



**VOLUME RESISTIVITY**  
 (OHM-CM)  
 Fed. Std. 406, Method 4041



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