



# POLASTOSIL® M-56

Two-component silicone rubber for making moulds and reproduction.

#### **CHARACTERISTICS**

Polastosil® M-56 is a two-component silicone rubber which cure under the influence of Katalizator OL-1 (catalyst) at room temperature and relative air humidity of min. 35%.

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

PARAMETERS	Polastosil® M-56	Katalizator OL-1
Appearance	viscous liquid	liquid
Colour	red	transparent
Density at 20°C	1,15 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	0,94g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Viscosity at 25°C	45 000 cP	-
100 parts by weight of Polastosil <sup>®</sup> M-5	6 and 5 parts by weight of Kat	talizator OL-1 ( catalyst )
Colour	red	
Pot life at 23°C and humidity of min. 35%	min. 30 minutes	
Curing time at 23°C and humidity min. 35%	max 24 h	
•	arameters after seasoning east 72 hours from the momen	nt of hardening
Thermal resistance	180 °C	
Hardness	65 °ShA	
Elongation at break	100 %	
Linear shrinkage (after 7 days of seasoning)	max.2 %	
Tensile strenght	2,0 MPa	

#### **APPLICATION**

The main areas of application of this type of rubber

- · decoration, stucco: casts, ceiling rosettes, statuettes, decorative candles, figurines,
- · renovation of monuments: making forms of monuments, archaeological fossils, etc.,
- · patterns and forms for the artistic, home and industrial production of ceramics and porcelain,
- artistic elements: sculptures, masks, special decorative elements, statuettes, bas-reliefs,
- making molds for technical and industrial applications (eg. automotive, electronics, household appliances).

#### MATERIALS FOR REPRODUCTION

In the silicon moulds, many synthetic and natural materials can be cast and these include naturals or synthetic wax, concrete with fillers, plaster, decorative plasters works, and resins: filled polyester or epoxy.

#### PROCESSING/CATALYSIS

Mix rubber with a catalyst Katalizator OL-1 in adequate proportions in a mechanical or manual manner. The catalyst must be evenly distributed throughout the mass, since this depends on the quality of the moulds. It is recommended to vent the

composition prior to pouring in order to remove the air bubbles closed during the operation of mixing the ingredients. To do this, place the composition in a container with a capacity of approx. 5 times greater than the volume of aerated mixture and vent in the vacuum chamber under pressure of approx. 0.06 bars until all air has been removed, i.e. approx. 3-5 minutes. The venting process affects the increase of the mechanical resistance of elastomers.

#### **VISCOSITY AND HARDNESS REGULATIONS**

The rubber paste can be diluted by adding up to 10% solvent: Polastosil® M-200 or Polastosil® which will lower the viscosity of the rubber, but will not change the hardness after cross-linking.

CURING (CROSSLINKING)
Polastosil® M-56 cures under the influence of OL-1 catalyst at room temperature and at a relative air humidity of min. 35%. Curing takes place within 24 hours, when using 5 parts by weight of Katalizator OL-1 for 100 parts by weight of Polastosil®.

#### **CAUTION!**

Contact with certain materials can increase the time or even retard the curing of the rubber (inhibition effect), therefore, if in doubt, make an attempt to

pour the mixture into a small section of the surface. Typical inhibitors:

- natural vulcanized rubber with Sulphur,
- stabilizing agents PVC,
- polycondensation silicones RTV cured with metal salts,
- epoxy resins crosslinked with amine curing agent,
- plasticine containing sulphur additives.

#### PREPARATION OF THE MODEL

Silicone rubber moulds recreate from the original model everything very precisely, even fine dust particles, therefore, the model should be absolutely clean and free from dust and foreign objects. Rubbers recommended for forms production show the non-stick properties for most of the materials. In order to avoid "adhesion" of the rubber to the model's surface, it is recommended to cover the model's surface with the anti-adhesive agent using such as Vaseline, wax, paraffin etc. However, check if the separating agent does not damage the original model. To prevent adhesion of the poured composition to the form, it is recommended to protect the moulds with the separating agent Polsilform® from our company. The use of Polsilform® enables easier stripping and also extends the life of the moulds. (Note! Do not use where casting is intended to be painted).

## CONNECTING THE COMPONENTS MADE OF RUBBER

Rubber parts can be joined or repaired with the same kind of rubber (e.g. cavities) or with silicone adhesive (e.g. tears) Polastosil® AC-4A . To connect parts of forms made of different types of rubber only Polastosil®AC-4A adhesive should be used.

#### **STORAGE**

Store in closed original packaging, in dry warehouses, at a temperature not higher than 30  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

### WARRANTY PERIOD

12 months from the production date.

#### **PACKAGING**

1, 5, 15, 50 kg

#### Producer's notes:

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