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Technical Data Sheet



CX-502

Mold Cleaner

Product Description:

Solvent system for cleaning molds. Quick flashing, general purpose cleaner that may be used to remove excess semi-permanent release, resin residue and to prep molds before application of semi-permanent release.

Composition:

Proprietary synergistic blend of hydrocarbon solvents designed for cleaning various tools/molds surfaces.

Handling:

Wear chemically resistant protective gloves such as nitrile, neoprene, or butyl. Wash hands frequently and, if convenient, use a protective hand cream. Washing of hands is recommended since CX-502 may penetrate gloves after extended use. Use goggles and do not smoke until hands are completely clean.

When cleaning RTV or rubber molds, apply CX-502 to the outside of the mold a few times to determine if there is any harmful effect to these materials.

Uses:

Mold cleaner for use prior to applying semi-permanent release systems. May also be used for other types of cleaning. For heavy accumulation of paste wax or silicone, other cleaners or strippers may be required prior to use of CX-502. Recommended for use at ambient to warm temps.

Typical Properties:

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Color:	Clear
Specific Gravity:	0.790 @ 25ºC
Viscosity:	<15cps@25ºC
Flash Point:	<73ºF / <23ºC
Boiling Point:	176 - 286ºF / 80 - 140ºC
Shelf Life:	Minimum of one year

Application:

CX-502 flashes quickly. Work in small overlapping areas that can be scrubbed with cleaner and wiped with a clean, dry cotton cloth before the cleaner dries. For glossy mold surfaces, liberally wet a 100% cotton cloth with cleaner and rub firmly over the mold to loosen dirt, dust, waxes, build-up, contamination, etc.; then wipe with a clean cotton cloth until dry. For matte or metal molds you may choose to use nylon scrub pads or stiff bushes to work the cleaner over the surface. Again, the mold should appear wet with cleaner and be wiped dry after scrubbing and before the cleaner dries.

More than one application of cleaner, or more than one cleaning product may be required to totally clean the molds.

Testing for Cleaning:

To test for cleanliness, apply a strip of high quality masking tape to the molding surface and rub evenly across its surface. Next, pull the tape strip from the mold at a 45°-90° angle. Resistance should be felt when removing the tape – this indicates that the mold is clean. Repeat this test in several areas to ensure that cleaning is complete. Another indication of how clean the surface is can be seen by dropping some water on the mold. On glossy surfaces water will bead up, however, if you can break the beading easily and create puddles rather than tight beads, the mold should be clean. Remove the tape adhesive and the water-droplets with the CX-502.

Other Uses for CX-502:

CX-502 can also be wiped lightly across a mold surface that has been prepared with semi-permanent release. A light wipe with cleaner will remove only a small portion of release. This technique can be helpful in

the case of over-application, or where reduced slip is required in a localized area, like a tape line.

Precautions:

Wear safety goggles and protective gloves. CX-502 contains flammable solvents and should always be used in a well-ventilated area. Store in a cool, dry place.

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