



Hi-Sil® 255C-D, 255CG-D

Highly Reinforcing Silica for Rubber

Hi-Sil® 255C-D is a synthetic, white, amorphous silicon dioxide. It is available in powder or granular form and used in black and non-black rubber compounds as a highly reinforcing filler.

Typical Properties and Characteristics

Hi-Sil®	Surface Area, BET-5	pH	Na ₂ SO ₄ , wt. %	Physical Form
255C-D	180 m ² /g	6.3	2 Max	Easy dispersing powder
255CG-D	180 m ² /g	6.3	2 Max	Fast incorporating granule

Registration Number

231-545-4	European EINECS
CAS No. 112926-00-8	synthetic precipitated amorphous silica
CAS No. 7631-86-9	TSCA Chemical Substance Inventory (SiO ₂)

Mechanical Rubber Goods

Hi-Sil® 255C-D and 255CG-D provide similar rubber properties to those obtained with commercial precipitated silica in the nitrogen BET-5 surface area range of 180m²/g.

Either form of Hi-Sil® 255C-D are used to improve compound adhesion to the reinforcing fabric in power transmission belts and hose compounds and to improve tear resistance while maximizing abrasion resistance in black hose covers.

In footwear, Hi-Sil® 255C-D allows good transparency and color for translucent soling and is used to reinforce a wide range of heel and sole compounds.

Colored flooring applications using either form of Hi-Sil® 255C-D exhibit high hardness and abrasion resistance.

Other reinforced rubber applications where both forms of Hi-Sil® 255C-D are used in are mats, wire and cable coverings, specialty gloves, and sporting equipment grips.

Hi-Sil® 255CG-D is also used in automotive tire applications.

Rubber Processing Recommendations

For all product forms, it is recommended that the silica be added as early as possible in the mixing schedule ideally with the polymer addition and before the process oil. This allows time for silica incorporation into the polymer.

For high powder loading split additions are recommended, first addition with the polymer/s, and the second with the process oil.

For high density, low dust granules at high loading, a single silica addition can be made with the polymer/s and before process oil.

Split oil additions are recommended to keep viscosity high. Viscosity aids in silica dispersion.

Granules and pellets tend to need slightly more mixing time to disperse than milled powders.

Note: Silica incorporation time and degree of dispersion in rubber will vary based on internal mixer type and rotor design.

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Packaging

Hi-Sil® 255C-D powder is packaged in 20 Kg (44 pounds) paper bags. The bags are palletized in a 10X3 pattern with 30 bags per pallet (600 Kg or 1,322 pounds).

Hi-Sil® 255CG-D granule is packaged in 25 Kg (55 pounds) paper bags. The bags are palletized in a 10X3 pattern with 30 bags per pallet (750 Kg or 1,653 pounds). Hi-Sil® 255CG-D granule is also available in 20 Kg (44 pounds) polyethylene bags, the bags are palletized in a 11X3 pattern with 33 bags per pallet. Hi-Sil® 255CG-D granule is available in FIBC's (650 Kg or 1,433 pounds) and (600 Kg or 1,322 pounds).

Pallets containing paper and polyethylene bags are stretch wrapped in plastic film to protect against moisture pick up and shifting during transporting and storage.

Storage

To ensure product integrity PPG recommends that our silica products be stored under dry, clean conditions and protected against exposure to other substances.

Since silica may pick up moisture we also recommend that products that are stored more than one year, from date of manufacture, be re-tested for moisture content.

There is no shelf life limit when stretch-wrapped palletized units or bags are kept under the above stated conditions.

Safety and Health Effects



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Samples and Service

PPG's Technical Service Specialists are available for consulting on the use, handling and storage of Hi-Sil® 255C-D and 255CG-D.

Four Liter containers and bag-size samples are available upon request from Technical Service or Customer Service Europe.



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