

# DOW CORNING® Firestop 400 Acrylic Sealant

## FEATURES

- A fire rating of up to 2 hours can be achieved
- Class 2 surface spread of flame classification
- Mean toxicity index 2.0
- Good unprimed adhesion to most common construction substrates
- Remains flexible
- Easy to use, one-component sealant
- Resistant to ozone, ultra-violet radiation and temperature extremes

## One-part intumescent acrylic rubber

### APPLICATIONS

- For internal perimeter pointing around door and window frames, where the integrity of fire walls need to be maintained, and in the small joints formed where fire rated partition sections meet.

### TYPICAL PROPERTIES

Specification writers: These values are not intended for use in preparing specifications. Please contact your local Dow Corning sales representative prior to writing specifications on this product.

Property	Unit	Value
<b>As supplied</b>		
Physical form		Non-slumping paste
Slump		Nil
Tack-free time	minutes	30-45
Water resistance		Good when fully cured
UV resistance		Good
Joint movement capability	%	±7.5

### DESCRIPTION

DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Acrylic Sealant is a one-part, fire rated intumescent acrylic sealant designed for internal perimeter pointing of fire rated door and window frames, where the integrity of fire walls or partitions need to be maintained. It has good adhesion to a wide variety of substrates without the use of primer. It has intumescent qualities which enable the material to swell under heat conditions producing a fire and smoke resistant seal. DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant does not emit halogenated by-products under fire conditions.

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DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant meets Class 2 of BS 476 Part 7/1987 for surface spread of flame, SGS (UK) Ltd. Test report No. J90327/2.

DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant has a mean toxicity index of 2.0 when tested according to NES713, SGS (UK) Ltd. Test report No. J90726/2.

### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS

DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant has been tested to BS 476 Part 22/1987 in joint configurations, SGS (UK) Ltd. Test report No.

### FIRE RATINGS

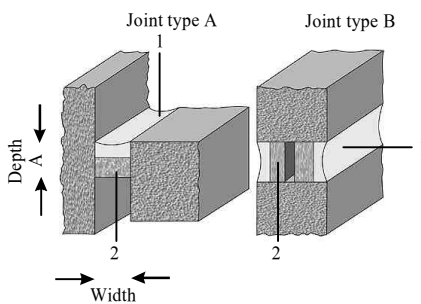
Fire test data is available showing that DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant can achieve up to a 2 hour fire rating at specified joint configurations. The fire ratings achieved have been tested according to BS 476 Part 22/1987 and are specific to the conditions of testing. They do, however, provide a good indication of the expected

performance of the sealant in fire situations. DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant has been tested to BS 476 Part 7/1987 in accordance with the flame spread classification given in this standard. Results show the material has a Class 2 surface.

Users should satisfy themselves that DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant is suitable for their specific application. Testing of a particular system may be required. To achieve a specific fire rating, all substrates being used in the system must have an equivalent fire rating.

## JOINT DESIGN

**Figure 1: Test joint configurations.**



### Legend

- 1 DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant
- 2 Backing material

When designing joints using DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant, the minimum width should be 6mm. Attainment of specific fire ratings is dependent on the joint configuration. Detailed information is given in Table 1.

Joint types that have been tested are shown in Figure 1. The type of joint selected will depend on fire requirements for the project and aesthetics of the building.

For additional information or assistance, please contact Dow Corning's Technical Services Department.

## JOINT PREPARATION

### Cleaning

Ensure that all surfaces are clean, dry, sound and free from frost. Clean all joints of loose dust, dirt, laitance, old sealants and other contaminants which could impair adhesion. Surfaces should be cleaned and degreased by wiping with a solvent, such as DOW CORNING® Silcon Cleaner or DOW CORNING® R40 Reiniger, using a lint- and oil-free cloth.

Note: When using any cleaning solvent, always provide adequate ventilation. Avoid heat, sparks and open flames. Observe and follow all precautions listed on solvent container label or Product Safety Data Sheet.

It is recommended that DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant is not applied to surfaces that are below 5°C (41°F) as it is impossible to guarantee a frost-free surface at these temperatures.

### Adhesion

DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant has excellent adhesion to most common construction substrates. If in doubt, or if unusual substrates are involved, please contact Dow Corning's Technical Services Department.

### Back-up materials

Closed-cell polyethylene foam backer rod or mineral wool should be used as specified in the fire test data.

### Masking

Areas adjacent to the joints should be masked with tape to prevent contamination of the substrates and to ensure a neat sealant line. Masking tape should be removed immediately after tooling.

### Finishing

The joint should be tooled within 5 minutes of application to ensure good contact between the sealant and the substrate. Tooling of the sealant also gives a smooth, professional finish.

## Clean-up

Uncured material can be removed by wiping with a dampened cloth. Cured material can be carefully removed by abrasion or other mechanical means.

## TECHNICAL SERVICES

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## USABLE LIFE AND STORAGE

When stored between 5°C (41°F) and 23°C (73.4°F) in the original unopened containers, DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant has a usable life of 12 months from the date of production.

## PACKAGING

United Kingdom:  
DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant is available in 380ml cartridge, (packed in boxes of 20) in

white and grey.

Europe:

DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant is available in 310ml cartridge, (packed in boxes of 12) in white and grey.

## **LIMITATIONS**

DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant is not recommended for external applications and has not been tested for use as a penetration seal.

It should not be applied to building materials that bleed oils, plasticisers or solvents. It is recommended to consult Dow Corning's Technical Services Department for further advice in specific applications.

All acrylic based sealants are susceptible to a degree of shrinkage. This should be taken into account when applying the material.

This product is neither tested nor represented as suitable for medical or pharmaceutical uses.

## **HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION**

To support customers in their product safety needs, Dow Corning has an extensive Product Stewardship organization and a team of Health, Environment and Regulatory Affairs specialists available in each area.

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**Table 1: Fire rating**

All tests were carried out with sealant on fire side of furnace.

<i>Width</i>		<i>Depth</i>	<i>Backing material</i>	<i>Joint type</i>	<i>Integrity rating</i>
Joint size					
6mm	x	6mm	PE Foam	A	1 hour
10mm	x	6mm	PE Foam	A	1 hour
10mm	x	10mm	PE Foam	A	2 hours
15mm	x	15mm	PE Foam	A	2 hours
20mm	x	15mm	PE Foam	A	1 hour
20mm	x	10mm	25mm Mineral wool	A	2 hours
10mm	x	6mm	25mm Mineral wool	A	2 hours
10mm	x	10mm	25mm Mineral wool	A	2 hours
6mm	x	6mm	PE Foam	B	2 hours
10mm	x	10mm	PE Foam	B	2 hours
20mm	x	10mm	PE Foam	B	2 hours

PE Foam = Closed-cell polyethylene backer rod (Nominal density 35kg/m<sup>3</sup>)

Mineral wool = Nominal density 100kg/m<sup>3</sup>

When specifying DOW CORNING Firestop 400 Sealant in situations where wooden door or window frames require sealing, note should be taken of the burn rates of the timber used.

Depending on the fire rating required and the wood used, a double joint (joint type B) may be required.

**Table 2: Estimating sealant requirements****Linear meters per 380ml cartridge**

<i>Width</i>		<i>6mm</i>	<i>10mm</i>	<i>15mm</i>	<i>20mm</i>
Depth	6mm	10.5	6.3	-	-
	10mm	-	3.8	2.0	1.9
	15mm	-	2.5	1.6	1.2

**Linear meters per 310ml cartridge**

<i>Width</i>		<i>6mm</i>	<i>10mm</i>	<i>15mm</i>	<i>20mm</i>
Depth	6mm	8.6	5.1	-	-
	10mm	-	3.1	2.5	1.5
	15mm	-	2.0	1.3	1.0