

## LOCTITE® AA 3953™

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### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

LOCTITE® AA 3953™ provides the following product characteristics:

<b>Technology</b>	Acrylic
<b>Chemical Type</b>	Acrylated urethane
<b>Appearance (uncured)</b>	Transparent, colorless to straw colored liquid <sup>LMS</sup>
<b>Fluorescence</b>	Positive under UV light <sup>LMS</sup>
<b>Cure</b>	Ultraviolet (UV) / Visible light
<b>Cure Benefit</b>	Production - high speed curing
<b>Application</b>	Flexible
<b>Specific Benefits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High elongation strength</li> <li>• High adhesion</li> <li>• High humidity resistance</li> <li>• Fast LED Curing</li> </ul>

LOCTITE® AA 3953™ is a medium viscosity light cure adhesive designed for applications where a fast curing, highly flexible adhesive is required. It is an optimal choice when bonding plasticized PVC, TPEs, and thermoset rubbers. It also maintains high adhesion to rigid substrates such as polycarbonate, ABS, Acrylic, HDPE (when treated), PP (when treated) and more. Suitable for use in the assembly of disposable medical devices .

### ISO-10993

LOCTITE® AA 3953™ has been tested to Henkel's test protocols based on ISO 10993 biocompatibility standards, as a means to assist in the selection of products for use in the medical device industry.

### TYPICAL PROPERTIES OF UNCURED MATERIAL

Specific Gravity @ 25 °C ~1.07  
 Viscosity, Cone & Plate, 25 °C, mPa·s (cP):  
 @ 180 s<sup>-1</sup> 300 to 800<sup>LMS</sup>  
 Flash Point - See SDS

### TYPICAL CURING PERFORMANCE

#### Stress Cracking

Liquid adhesive is applied to a medical grade polycarbonate bar 2.54 cm by 10.16 mm by 3.18 mm which is then flexed to induce a known stress level. The time until stress cracking is observed.

Stress Cracking, ASTM D 3929, minutes:

6.9 N/mm <sup>2</sup> stress on bar	>3,600
13.8 N/mm <sup>2</sup> stress on bar	≤5
20.7 N/mm <sup>2</sup> stress on bar	≤1

#### Fixture Time

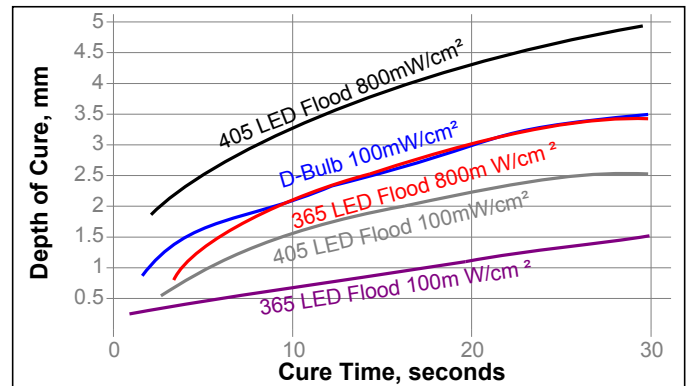
Fixture time is defined as the time to develop a shear strength of 0.1 N/mm<sup>2</sup> .

UV Fixture Time, Glass microscope slides, seconds:

10 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> , measured @ 405 nm ≤5<sup>LMS</sup>

#### Depth of Cure

The graph below shows the increase in depth of cure with time at various light intensities as measured from the thickness of the cured product formed



**TYPICAL PROPERTIES OF CURED MATERIAL**Cured @ 1 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, measured @ 405 nm for 10 seconds.**Physical Properties:**

Linear Shrinkage, ASTM D 792, %	2.7
Specific Gravity @ 25 °C	~1.15
Shore Hardness, ISO 868, Durometer D	56
Elongation at break, ISO 527-3	233
Tensile Modulus	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 193 (psi) (28,000)
Tensile Strength, ISO 527-3	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 22.1 (psi) (3,206)
Water Absorption, ISO 62, %:	
2 hours in water @ 100 °C	8.4%
Re-Dry Weight, Soluble Matter Lost	4.6%
Glass Transition Temperature ISO 11359-2, °C	13.5
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion, K <sup>-1</sup> ISO 11359-2:	
Pre Tg	70×10 <sup>-06</sup>
Post Tg	430×10 <sup>-06</sup>
Refractive Index	1.5

**Electrical Properties:**

Dielectric strength, ASTM D149-97a, kV/mm ~28.2

**TYPICAL PERFORMANCE OF CURED MATERIAL****Adhesive Properties**Cured @ 1 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, measured @ 405 nm for 10 seconds.

Block Shear Strength, ISO 13445:

Acrylic	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 4.9 (psi) (716)
Polycarbonate to PVC	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 5.0 (psi) (728)
Polypropylene (plasma treated)	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 1.1 (psi) (158)
LDPE (plasma treated)	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 3.3 (psi) (473)
HDPE (plasma treated)	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 5.7 (psi) (832)
PC (grit blasted) to PC	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 22.5 (psi) (3,245)

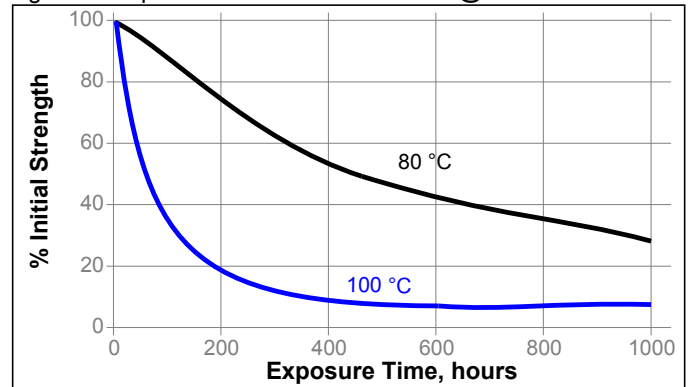
Lap Shear Strength, ISO 4587:

PC to Plasticized PVC	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 1.6 (psi) (236)
PC to Plasticized PVC (Heat Aged 12 days)	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 1.7 (psi) (246)
PC to TPU	* N/mm <sup>2</sup> 2.5 * (psi) (356)
PC to Stainless Steel	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 3 (psi) (438)
PC to Steel	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 3.6 (psi) (528)
PC to Aluminum	N/mm <sup>2</sup> 3.4 (psi) (494)
Glass	* N/mm <sup>2</sup> 5 * (psi) (727)

\*substrate failure

**TYPICAL ENVIRONMENTAL RESISTANCE**Cured @ 1 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, measured @ 405 nm for 10 seconds  
PC to PC Block Shear Strength, ISO13445:.**Heat Aging**

Aged at temperature indicated and tested @ 22 °C

**Chemical/Solvent Resistance**Cured @ 1 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, measured @ 405 nm for 10 seconds  
PC to PVC Block Shear Strength, ISO13445:

Environment	°C	% of initial strength			
		2 h	24 h	168 h	480 h
Water	100	197	-	-	-
Air	60	-	-	-	112
Isopropanol	22	-	86	-	-
Heat/humidity 98% RH	40	-	-	81	-

**Sterilization Resistance**Cured @ 1 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, measured @ 405 nm for 10 seconds  
PC to PC Block Shear Strength, ISO13445:.

Treatment time	% of Initial Strength
Ethylene Oxide, 1 cycle	75
Ethylene Oxide, 2 cycle	69
GAMMA, >50 Kilo gray	91
Autoclave, 1 cycle	73
Autoclave, 5 cycles	46

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

This product is not recommended for use in pure oxygen and/or oxygen rich systems and should not be selected as a sealant for chlorine or other strong oxidizing materials.

For safe handling information on this product, consult the Safety Data Sheet (SDS).

**Directions For Use:**

1. This product is light sensitive; exposure to daylight, UV light and artificial lighting should be kept to a minimum during storage and handling.
2. The product should be dispensed from applicators with black feedlines.
3. For best performance bond surfaces should be clean and free from grease.
4. Cure rate is dependent on lamp intensity, distance from light source, depth of cure needed or bondline gap and light transmittance of the substrate through which the radiation must pass.
5. Cooling should be provided for temperature sensitive substrates such as thermoplastics.
6. Plastic grades should be checked for risk of stress cracking when exposed to liquid adhesive.
7. Excess uncured adhesive can be wiped away with organic solvent (e.g. Acetone).
8. Bonds should be allowed to cool before subjecting to any service loads.

**Loctite Material Specification<sup>LMS</sup>**

LMS dated April 28, 2017. Test reports for each batch are available for the indicated properties. LMS test reports include selected QC test parameters considered appropriate to specifications for customer use. Additionally, comprehensive controls are in place to assure product quality and consistency. Special customer specification requirements may be coordinated through Henkel Quality.

**Storage**

Store product in the unopened container in a dry location. Storage information may be indicated on the product container labeling.

**Optimal Storage: 8 °C to 21 °C. Storage below 8 °C or greater than 28 °C can adversely affect product properties.**

Material removed from containers may be contaminated during use. Do not return product to the original container. Henkel Corporation cannot assume responsibility for product which has been contaminated or stored under conditions other than those previously indicated. If additional information is required, please contact your local Henkel Representative.

**Conversions**

$(^{\circ}\text{C} \times 1.8) + 32 = ^{\circ}\text{F}$   
 $\text{kV/mm} \times 25.4 = \text{V/mil}$   
 $\text{mm} / 25.4 = \text{inches}$   
 $\mu\text{m} / 25.4 = \text{mil}$   
 $\text{N} \times 0.225 = \text{lb}$   
 $\text{N/mm} \times 5.71 = \text{lb/in}$   
 $\text{N/mm}^2 \times 145 = \text{psi}$   
 $\text{MPa} \times 145 = \text{psi}$   
 $\text{N}\cdot\text{m} \times 8.851 = \text{lb}\cdot\text{in}$   
 $\text{N}\cdot\text{m} \times 0.738 = \text{lb}\cdot\text{ft}$   
 $\text{N}\cdot\text{mm} \times 0.142 = \text{oz}\cdot\text{in}$   
 $\text{mPa}\cdot\text{s} = \text{cP}$

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