



## BOSS<sup>®</sup> 385 Tub & Tile Silicone

### TYPICAL PROPERTIES

Type ..... One part, ready-to-use silicone rubber  
 Special Properties ..... Mildew and moisture resistant  
 Benefits ..... Long-life reliability;  
 permanently flexible; good appearance  
 Primary Use ..... Sealing nonporous surfaces around  
 ceramic tile, showers, tubs, sinks and plumbing fixtures

#### As Supplied

Color ..... Clear, white, translucent white, almond  
 Flow, sag or slump ..... NIL  
 Tack-Free Time ..... 15-20 minutes  
 Cure Time (1/8" thickness) ..... 24 hours

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 and should not be used for writing specifications.  
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### DESCRIPTION

**BOSS<sup>®</sup> 385 Tub & Tile Silicone** is a one-part, fungicidal, silicone rubber sealant designed to seal nonporous surfaces around ceramic tile, showers, tubs, sinks and plumbing fixtures where conditions of high humidity and temperature extremes exist.

**BOSS<sup>®</sup> 385 RTV Tub & Tile Silicone:**

- Resists mildew even in prolonged hot and humid environments
- Resists staining, spotting and color change
- Remains flexible – will not shrink, crack, crumble or dry out
- Stays bright and clean
- Is ready-to-use as supplied
- Resists moisture, hot cooking oils and free steam
- Adheres to many nonporous surfaces such as porcelain, painted areas and glass without the use of a primer

### USES

**BOSS<sup>®</sup> 385 Tub & Tile Silicone** is mildew resistant. It is used for such nonporous surface applications as:

- Sealing around shower-tub enclosures, tubs, sinks and around urinals
- Sealing around bathroom fixtures
- Waterproofing rimless sinks
- Ceramic tile grouting

## HOW TO USE

**BOSS® 385** Tub & Tile Silicone must always be applied to sound, clean, dry, frost-free surfaces.

Tooling is recommended and if possible, should be completed in one continuous stroke. Tool joints within 10 minutes of application. Remove masking tape before a surface skin has formed.

### **Cleaning the joint surface on both new and old jobs**

Bonding surfaces on both new and remedial jobs must be clean, dry and free of dirt, dust and soap film.

### **Use masking tape where bead lines of exact shapes are required**

Use masking tape before applying sealant and remove immediately after a bead is completed and before a skin forms (7 to 15 minutes).

### **Applying the sealant**

**BOSS® 385** Tub & Tile Silicone can be applied directly from the caulking cartridge with either an air operated or hand operated cartridge gun. Do not break the cartridge seal until just before using.

After applying the sealant and after a skin has formed, do not disturb the joint for 48 hours. A previously opened cartridge may be reused by removing the cured plug of sealant from the tip.

### **Clean-up**

Excess sealant should be cleaned off tools and nonporous surfaces while it is in the uncured state, using a commercial solvent such as xylol, toluol or methyl ethyl ketone.

### **Limitations**

**BOSS® 385** is not recommended for continuous water immersion, nor for floor joints where abrasion and physical abuse are encountered. It should not be applied to:

- Porous surfaces such as masonry
- Building materials that bleed oils or solvents, such as impregnated wood and certain partially vulcanized rubber gaskets, tapes or adhesives
- Totally confined spaces, because the sealant needs atmospheric moisture to cure

## COLORS

**BOSS® 385** is available in clear, white, translucent white and almond.

## SPECIFICATIONS

**BOSS® 385** meets Federal Specifications TT-S-001543A, TT-S-00230C and ASTM C920-86.

## PACKAGING

**BOSS® 385** Tub & Tile Silicone is available in standard caulking cartridges and 4.5 gallon pails. Other sizes available upon request.

## STORAGE AND SHELF LIFE

When stored in the original unopened containers at or below 90°F (32°C), **BOSS® 385** Tub & Tile Silicone has a shelf life of 12 months from date of shipment. In Countries where high heat and humidity are a factor, special precautions must be taken. Store product in a covered, well-ventilated warehouse and avoid excessive heat conditions. Storage in high heat, high humidity conditions may reduce shelf life by up to 30%. Rotation of stock is an absolute necessity. Cartons should always be stacked upright with the nozzle tip pointed upwards. **DO NOT** stack cartons on their side. **NEVER** stack cartons more than 8 high. **DO NOT** store within 1 meter (4 feet) of roofline of the warehouse or storage building.

## CAUTION

**DIRECT CONTACT OF UNCURED SEALANT IRRITATES EYES AND MAY IRRITATE SKIN. OVEREXPOSURE TO VAPOR MAY IRRITATE EYES, NOSE AND THROAT.** Avoid eye and skin contact. Use with adequate ventilation. Do not handle contact lenses with sealant on hands. **IN CASE OF EYE CONTACT**, flush eyes with water for 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention. **IN CASE OF SKIN CONTACT**, remove from skin and flush with water. Sealant releases acetic acid (vinegar-like odor) during cure. Use with adequate ventilation. **KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.** For safe handling information on this product, consult the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).

## SHIPPING LIMITATIONS

None.

Reactive VOC 29 g/l (<3% wt)

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