

NaturForm Mask Making Latex Rubber

Technical Bulletin

DESCRIPTION: NaturForm Mask Making Latex Rubber is a one-part, pourable liquid that, when poured into a dry, unsealed plaster mold, cures to a high-strength, flexible casting rubber. These casting rubbers produce flexible, hollow parts for uses such as novelty/Halloween masks, props, flexible sculpture and animatronic skins.

BEFORE USE: Thoroughly read Safety Data Sheets, product labels and the "SAFETY" section in this Technical Bulletin.

MIXING AND CURING: Stir before use. Pour into a dry, unsealed gypsum mold. Tilting or lightly vibrating the mold may help to eliminate bubbles if the mold contains complex undercuts or deep details. For a very thin skin, pour the excess latex back into the container immediately or within a couple of minutes. For a thicker skin, allow the product to stay in the mold longer before pouring off excess. As an example, a standing time (or dwell time) of 30 minutes yields a \sim 1/16-inch thickness. Dense plasters are not as absorbent and, therefore, cause thicknesses to build more slowly. Humidity and ambient temperature will also affect the drying time of latex. Allow NaturForm 30 to dry in the mold for 24 hours at room temperature.

USING THE CASTING: Lightly dust the inside of the casting with talc in order to prevent the dry rubber from sticking to itself. Avoid exposing the casting to oils, greases or solvents. Castings should be stored out of direct sunlight.

SHELF LIFE & STORAGE OF LIQUID LATEX: Use liquid latex within three months. For best results, store products in unopened containers at room temperature (60-90°F). Exposure to temperatures <45°F and >80°F may damage latex, causing irreversible coagulation. DO NOT ALLOW TO FREEZE. Do not store latex in unlined, metal containers.

CLEAN UP: Clean up wet and dry latex with soap and water.

SAFETY: Before use, thoroughly read Safety Data Sheets and product labels. Do not eat, drink, or smoke when using this product. Use only outdoors or with adequate general or local exhaust ventilation to minimize exposure levels. If needed, a NIOSH-approved respirator with organic vapor cartridge may be used. Wear impervious gloves, such as butyl rubber or nitrile rubber. Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water after handling. If skin irritation or rash occurs, get medical help. Wear eye protection, such as chemical safety glasses/googles. If in eyes, rinse cautiously with water for several minutes, removing contact lenses if present and easy to do. If swallowed, rinse mouth and get medical help.

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PRODUCT LINE FEATURES

- One part material no mixing or weighing
- Tough rubber with high elongation properties
- Forms hollow castings without roto-molding