TECHNICAL DATA Wilsonart® Chemsurf® Chemical-Resistant Laminate



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2. Product Description

Recommended Uses

Wilsonart® Chemsurf® Chemical-Resistant Laminate is produced for work tops and cabinet surfacing in intermediate-type laboratories where weight or cost constraints rule out slate, epoxy or stainless steel; the possibility of chemical spills rules out conventional high-pressure decorative laminate; or where a trend-aware colored or patterned surface is desired. Chemsurf® is also recommended in areas where indiscriminate use of a variety of cleaning agents may be used.

Specific applications include laboratory cabinets, casework, counters and tabletops in hospitals, photographers' darkrooms, beauty salons and product testing facilities. Chemsurf® is ideal for nurses' stations, physicians' and dentists' examining and treatment rooms and pathologists' work rooms. It is also practical and attractive surfacing for wainscoting in any of these areas.

Type 390 is intended for horizontal, vertical and postforming surfaces and applications, including those where it is necessary or desirable to roll the laminate on a simple radius over the edge of a substrate. This eliminates seams, which are otherwise vulnerable to chemical attack. This type also may be applied to horizontal and vertical surfaces where a functional, durable, decorative material should also be chemical-resistant.

Note: If a high-wear surface is needed, Wilsonart® High Wear Laminate is recommended.

Product Composition

A special resin formulation is applied over the decorative surface paper to achieve chemical resistance. The decorative paper is treated with melamine resin; and the core is composed of kraft papers impregnated with phenolic resin. These sheets are then bonded at pressures greater than 1000 pounds per square inch at temperatures approaching 300°F (149°C). Finished sheets are trimmed and the backs sanded to facilitate bonding.

Basic Limitations

Wilsonart® Chemsurf® Laminates are intended for interior surfacing only, and not as structural materials. They must be bonded to suitable substrates.

Do not subject these laminates to extremes in humidity or to temperatures over 275°F (135°C) for sustained periods of time.

You should not expose these laminates to flame, molten metal, metallic sparks or intense, direct sunlight. They should not be used as cutting surfaces.

Note: Chemsurf® Laminate should be protected from damage caused by high heat, such as heat created by Bunsen burners. The burners should be placed on a trivet to protect the laminate surface.

Due to resin composition, a slight color-shift can occur in Chemsurf®. Please request a 'lab' sample for color confirmation.

Pattern and Color Availability

Wilsonart® Chemsurf® Chemical-Resistant Laminate is available in most patterns. Check Pattern Availability at www.wilsonart.com.

Please note the patterns that are not available in Chemsurf®:

WxY – Wilsonart By You & VDL – Virtual Design Library
Non-Promoted Line (DG2) patterns are NOT available

Finishes

#60 Matte

Textured finish with a moderate reflective quality. Recommended for horizontal and vertical applications.

Nominal Glossometer Reading = 10

NOTE: Nominal Glossometer Readings are made at a 60° angle of incidence.

Standard Sheet Widths

48"	60"
1219mm	1524mm

Standard Sheet Lengths

ſ	96"	120"	144"
ſ	2438mm	3048mm	3658mm

Note: An 8-sheet minimum order applies to 4'x10', 4'x12', 5'x8' and 5'x10' sizes.

Sheet Thicknesses

Туре	Typical Wilsonart Thickness	Weight Per Square Foot
Postforming Type 390 (HGP)	$0.034" \pm 0.005"$ (0.86 mm ± 0.13 mm)	0.257#

3. Technical Data

Physical Properties of Wilsonart® Chemsurf® Chemical-Resistant Laminate

ISO 4586 Test	Type 390-60	ISO 4586-3
Scratch Resistance (N*)	2.5	3
Wear Resistance		
Cycles 1573 Frosty White		
& 1595 Black ONLY	≥1,500	350
All other Wilsonart colors	≥700	
Boiling Water	No effect	No effect
Resistance	No chect	140 cheet
High Temperature	Slight effect	Slight effect
Resistance	Slight effect	Slight effect
Radiant Heat	200	>200
Resistance (seconds)	200	<u>></u> 200
Stain Resistance†		
Reagents 1-10	No effect	No effect
11-15	No effect	Slight effect
Dimensional Change	_	
Machine Direction	0.50%	1.1% (max.)
Cross Direction	0.80%	1.4% (max.)
Ball Impact Resistance	60" (1524mm)	31.5" (800mm)

Cleanability (cycles)	10	20 (max.)
Blister Resistance (seconds)	70	≥ 40 seconds
Formability‡ (Type 390 only)	5/8" (15mm) face 3/16" (5mm) back	*9/16" face (14.27mm) *3/4" back (19.05mm)
Appearance	No ABC defects	N/A

^{*(}N) Newtons - measure of force

Codes and Certifications

Wilsonart® Chemsurf® conforms to typical standards of ANSI/ISO 4586 HGP postforming laminate. At present, there is no general industry standard for a high-pressure, chemical-resistant laminate.

The UL GREENGUARD Environmental Institute™ has awarded its UL GREENGUARD® Indoor Air Quality Certification to Wilsonart® Laminate. All Wilsonart Laminate product types were tested under the stringent UL GREENGUARD Standards for low-emitting products. All UL GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified products ensure minimal impact on the indoor environment. For a copy of the certificate, visit www.greenguard.org.

Scientific Equipment & Furniture Association SEFA No. 8.1 approved.

New York City Material Equipment Acceptance (MEA) number for Wilsonart® Chemsurf® Chemical-Resistant Laminate, Product Type 390, is 262-95-M.

ISO 4586 Standards

Various grades of Wilsonart Basic Type Laminates and Wilsonart Chemsurf® meet or exceed the International Standards Organization Specifications as found in ISO 4586 titled, "High-Pressure Decorative Laminate (HPDL) - Sheets Based on Thermosetting Resins - Part I: Specifications."

Chemical and Stain Resistance for Wilsonart Chemsurf®
No effect was exhibited except as noted (* or **) on the following:

Acids

- 1. Nitric Acid (all concentrations)**
- 2. Glacial Acetic Acid 99% (concentrated)
- 3. Sulfuric Acid (all concentrations)**
- 4. Hydrochloric Acid (all concentrations)
- 5. Phosphoric Acid (all concentrations)
- 6. Formic Acid (all concentrations)
- 7. Acetic Acid (all concentrations)

- 8. Hydrofluoric Acid 48% (concentrated)*
- 9. Aqua Regia
- 10. Chromic Trioxide (Chromic Acid Cleaning Solution)*
- 11. Perchloric Acid (concentrated)
- 12. Picric Acid 1.2% (0.05M)
- 13. Tannic Acid (sat.)
- 14. Uric Acid (sat.)

[†] For a complete list of acids, bases, solvents, reagents, indicators and other lab materials safe for use on Chemsurf®, please see pages 4 and 5.

[‡] Radius listed for face is actually the radius of the form around which the plastic is postformed. The radius listed for back is actually the radius to which the decorative face is postformed.

Solvents

Carbon Tetrachloride
Carbon Disulfide
Acetone
Formaldehyde
Methanol
Ethyl Acetate
Toluene
n-Hexane
Ethyl Alcohol
Chloroform

Phenol (all concentrations)*

EDTA Xylene

Bases

Sodium Hydroxide (all concentrations)**

Sodium Sulfide 15%

Ammonium Hydroxide (all concentrations)

General Reagents

- 1. Sodium Hypochlorite 5%
- 2. Calcium Hypochlorite (concentrated)
- 3. Hydrogen Peroxide 3%
- 4. Trisodium Phosphate 30%
- 5. Sodium Thiocyanate
- 6. Zinc Chloride
- 7. Lactated Ringers
- 8. Sucrose 50%
- 9. Gasoline
- 10. Kerosene
- 11. Mineral Oil
- 12. Vegetable Oils
- 13. Water
- 14. Sodium Chromate
- 15. Potassium Permanganate
- 16. Silver Nitrate
- 17. Formalin
- 18. Benedicts Solution
- 19. Phosphate Buffered Saline (PBS)
- 20. Copper Sulfate
- 21. Petroleum Jelly
- 22. Aluminon
- 23. Ethylene Glycol
- 24. Pine Oil

Stains and Indicators

Bromothymol Blue Phenolphthalein Methyl Red Methyl Orange

Ag Eosin Bluish 5% in Alcohol

Gentian Violet 1% Wright's Blood Stain Methylene Blue Butyl Alcohol Amyl Alcohol Amyl Acetate Cresol Dioxane Trichloroethane Chlorobenzene Dimethylformamide Methylene Chloride Methyl Ethyl Ketone Naphthalene Tetrahydrofuran

- 25. Methyl Methacrylate
- 26. Alconox (Lab. Detergent)
- 27. Karl Fisher Reagent
- 28. Urea
- 29. Naphtha
- 30. Cellosolve
- 31. Ammonium Phosphate
- 32. Iodine
- 33. Povidone Iodine
- 34. Tincture of Mercurochrome
- 35. Tincture of Iodine
- 36. Tincture of Merthiolate
- 37. Eucalyptol
- 38. Procaine
- 39. Zephiran Chloride
- 40. Zinc Oxide Ointment
- 41. Lysol
- 42. Aromatic Ammonia
- 43. Thymol & Alcohol
- 44. Camphorated para-chlorophenol*
- 45. Quaternary Ammonia Compounds
- 46. Monsel's Solution (Ferric Subsulfate)
- 47. Sodium Azide

Sudan III Nigrosine Crystal Violet Malachite Green Cresol Red Gram Stains Safranin O Thymol Blue Branded Cleaner and Sanitizer Resistance for Wilsonart® Chemsurf® per ISO 4586-2 Method 31 (B) No effect was exhibited except as noted (* or **) on the following:

- 1. Beckart Environmental (Stabilized Chlorine Dioxide Mixed with Water at 3000ppm)
- 2. Benefect®
- 3. Claire® Germicidal Cleaner (Country Fresh Scent)
- 4. Claire® Disinfectant Spray Q (Country Fresh Scent)
- 5. Clean Republic All Purpose Everyday Cleaner (Hypochlorous Acid 0.003% Solution)
- 6. Clorox® Anywhere® Hard Surface Sanitizing Spray
- 7. Clorox® Clean-Up (Cleaner & Bleach)
- 8. Clorox® Disinfecting Bleach w/6% Sodium Hypochlorite (24:1/Water:Bleach)
- 9. Clorox® Disinfecting Spray
- 10. Clorox® Disinfecting Wipes
- 11. Clorox Healthcare® Bleach Germicidal Cleaner
- 12. Clorox Healthcare® Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaner Disinfectant
- 13. Clorox Healthcare® Fuzion® Cleaner Disinfectant
- 14. Clorox Healthcare® VersaSure® Cleaner Disinfectant Wipes
- 15. Clorox® Total 360 Disinfectant Cleaner
- 16. Diversey™ Expose® II 256
- 17. Diversey™ Oxivir 1
- 18. Diversey™ Oxivir Tb Wipes
- 19. Diversey™ Stride® Floral Neutral Cleaner
- 20. Diversey™ Virex® II 256
- 21. Fabuloso® Complete (Multi-Purpose Cleaner)
- 22. Lysol® Professional Disinfectant Spray
- 23. Microban® 24 Hour (Multi-Purpose Cleaner)
- 24. PDI Sani-Prime® Germicidal Spray
- 25. PDI Super Sani-Cloth® Germicidal Disposable Wipes
- 26. PURELL® Advanced Hand Sanitizer Gel
- 27. Purell® Food Service Surface Sanitizer
- 28. Purell® Professional Surface Disinfectant
- 29. Purell® Healthcare Surface Disinfectant
- 30. Simple Green® Concentrated (All-Purpose Cleaner)
- 31. Spic and Span® Everyday (Antibacterial Cleaner)

Test procedure: Listed materials were placed in contact with Wilsonart® Chemsurf® surface under 1" (25.4mm) diameter watch cover glass for 16 hours duration prior to evaluation for effect. The branded cleaners and sanitizers listed above were cleaned with water only.

- * Causes slight change of gloss or color.
- ** Causes slight damage, with degree of damage proportionate to length of exposure and concentration.

Branded Cleaner and Sanitizer Resistance for Wilsonart® Chemsurf® per BIFMA HCF 8.1-2014 (Section 6 / Modified)

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- 5. Clean Republic All Purpose Everyday Cleaner (Hypochlorous Acid 0.003% Solution)
- 6. Clorox® Anywhere® Hard Surface Sanitizing Spray
- 7. Clorox® Clean-Up (Cleaner & Bleach)
- 8. Clorox® Disinfecting Bleach w/6% Sodium Hypochlorite (24:1/Water:Bleach)
- 9. Clorox® Disinfecting Spray
- 10. Clorox® Disinfecting Wipes
- 11. Clorox Healthcare® Bleach Germicidal Cleaner
- 12. Clorox Healthcare® Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaner Disinfectant

- 13. Clorox Healthcare® Fuzion® Cleaner Disinfectant
- 14. Clorox Healthcare® VersaSure® Cleaner Disinfectant Wipes
- 15. Clorox® Total 360 Disinfectant Cleaner
- 16. Diversey™ Expose II 256
- 17. Diversey™ Oxivir 1
- 18. Diversey™ Stride® Floral Neutral Cleaner
- 19. Diversey[™] Tb Wipes
- 20. Diversey™ Virex II 256
- 21. Fabuloso® Complete (Multi-Purpose Cleaner)
- 22. Lysol® Professional Disinfectant Spray
- 23. Microban® 24 Hour (Multi-Purpose Cleaner)
- 24. PDI Sani-Prime® Germicidal Spray
- 25. PDI Super Sani-Cloth® Germicidal Disposable Wipes
- 26. PURELL® Advanced Hand Sanitizer Gel
- 27. Purell® Food Service Surface Sanitizer
- 28. Purell® Professional Surface Disinfectant
- 29. Purell® Healthcare Surface Disinfectant
- 30. Simple Green® Concentrated (All-Purpose Cleaner)
- 31. Spic and Span® Everyday (Antibacterial Cleaner)

Test procedure: Listed reagent materials were placed in contact with Wilsonart® Chemsurf® surface with a one-inch square 100% cotton cloth completely saturated and covered with a 2" (50.8mm) diameter watch cover glass for 15 minute duration. The reagents listed above were removed with clean cloth and the area was then cleaned with clean cloth and distilled water only. The surface area was allowed to dry for 1-hour prior to evaluation for effect.

- * Causes slight change of gloss or color.
- ** Causes slight damage, with degree of damage proportionate to length of exposure and concentration.

4. Installation: Fabrication and Assembly Recommendations

Wilsonart® Chemsurf® Chemical-Resistant Laminate must be bonded to a substrate of reliable quality such as particleboard, medium density fiberboard, or plywood with one A-face. Incombustible cement board may be used for appropriate fire rating requirements. Bond with adhesives, and follow the techniques recommended by the adhesive manufacturer. Permanent adhesives are recommended. Specialized PVAs epoxy or contact cement, such as Wilsonart® Adhesives, also may be used.

The substrate of a performance laminate, such as Chemsurf®, should be balanced with a high-pressure phenolic laminate sheet as a backer, to reduce warping and to provide additional protection to the substrate against chemical attack from condensing fumes and runoff.

Take care to ensure an appropriate acclimation balance between the laminate and the substrate prior to fabrication. The face and backing laminates and the substrate should be conditioned in the same environment for 48 hours before fabrication.

Recommended conditioning temperature is about $75^{\circ}F$ (24° C). Laminates should be conditioned at 50% relative humidity.

To avoid stress cracking, do not use square-cut inside corners. All inside corners should have a minimum of 1/8" (3.18mm) radius, and all edges should be routed smooth.

Methods

Assembled pieces should meet KCMA (Kitchen Cabinetmakers Manufacturers Association), ANSI-161.2-1998 specifications. Drill oversized holes for screws or bolts. Screws or bolts should be slightly countersunk into the face side of a laminate-clad substrate.

Wilsonart® Chemsurf® sheets should be cut oversize prior to layup, using a carbide-tipped saw as described in American National Standards Institute & Architectural Woodwork Standards. After bonding, laminate should be machined flush on all edges.

Postforming

Postforming is the preferred edge treatment for counters vulnerable to repeated chemical attack. Wilsonart® Chemsurf® provides excellent chemical and stain resistance as stated herein and postformed edges protect the surface from chemicals accumulating in the seam. Chemsurf® sheets may be formed successfully with conventional postforming machinery. Optimum bending temperature for outside radius bends is 275°F (135°C). For inside radius or cove bends, maximum recommended temperature is 325°F (163°C).

- 5. Warranty
- 6. Maintenance

7. <u>Technical Services</u>

For samples, literature, questions or technical assistance, please contact our toll-free Hotline at (800) 433-3222, Monday through Friday, 8 am –5 pm, CST.

Specification Form

Surface shall be Wilsonart® Chemsurf® Chemical-Resistant Laminate, produced by Wilsonart LLC, Temple, Texas 76503-6110.		
Type: 390 Postforming Grade		
Surface Color Number:	Color Name:	
Finish Number	Name:	
Edge Trim Color Number:	Color Name:	
Adhesive Name: Brand: Wilsonart® Adhesive	Grade/Type:	
Material shall equal or exceed performance standards set by the American National Standards Institute/National Electrical Manufacturers Association (ANSI/NEMA) LD3-2005 for high-pressure laminate. Fabrication shall comply with "Architectural Woodwork Quality Standards, Guide Specifications and Quality Certification Program" guidelines of the Architectural Woodwork Institute.		

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