Window profile wrapping

- PUR hot melt adhesive for extreme weather conditions
- Certified adhesive-primer system for PVC profiles
- VOC-reduced primers specially for PVC window profiles

Jowatherm-Reaktant® 604.17/20/25
Jowatherm-Reaktant® MR 604.90
Jowat® 406.78/84/89
Products with a high degree of individuality have become an integral part of our lives. This also includes building elements such as windows, doors, or facades. One established method to meet that demand is to laminate PVC or aluminium profiles with decor foils. And due to the growing diversity in materials and designs, the customisation possibilities are virtually unlimited.

In addition to the appearance, however, functionality also plays a crucial role. Extreme weather conditions and service lives from 25 to 40 years place increased demands on all the processed materials. With a product portfolio consisting of primers and adhesives, Jowat is supplying a response to the specified requirements, in order to prevent decor foil delamination on the wrapped profiles. Apart from a wide range of adhesion, fast crosslinking and therefore fast downline processing, reliable processes are a key characteristic of the adhesive systems which can be processed on all established profile wrapping units.

The combination of high-performance adhesives coupled with Jowat primers impresses with excellent processing characteristics and outstanding process stability. The crosslinking speed is increased only during the lamination process when the PUR adhesive comes into contact with the reactive components in the NEP-free primers. Therefore, the laminated window profiles can are ready for downline processing after a very short storage time.

The Jowat portfolio allows processors to choose an optimum adhesive for the requirements in their specific process.
The powerful bonding system consisting of Jowat primers and adhesives represents the optimum product mix with regard to processing characteristics as well as to process reliability and efficiency. By choosing NEP-free, VOC-reduced primers and monomer-reduced PUR hot melt adhesive, processors additionally have the possibility to achieve a maximum of environmental protection and occupational safety. This system is not subject to hazardous material labelling requirements and provides a high initial strength as well as many other benefits.

Therefore, Jowat meets the demands for the protection of employees and the environment while factoring sustainability into the equation. The combination of primers and adhesives also impresses with superior bonding results, and of course fulfils the requirements for a minimum peel strength of 3.0 N/mm under RAL-GZ 716. The standard adhesive application amount is 50 – 70 g/m², depending on the application technology used, the other process parameters, and the profile and foil type.

Structure of the adhesives portfolio
604.17: basic “all-rounder” of the profile wrapping adhesives
604.20*: very fast crosslinking
604.25*: universal product with high initial strength
604.90*: Monomer-reduced PUR hot melt adhesive

Structure of the primer portfolio
406.78*: wash primer based on MEK
406.84*: wash primer with reduced VOC content, not subject to labelling requirements
406.89*: wash primer based on MC

* approved according to RAL-GZ 716

Testing procedure of the technical annexe according to RAL-GZ 716, dated July 2018

1. Adhesion of the foil to the carrier profile at 23 °C
   ■ Peel resistance ≥ 3.0 N/mm
   (or foil stretching or foil tearing ≥ 3.0 N/mm)
2. Adhesion of the foil after exposure to hydrolysis / thermolysis
   ■ Storage at 70 ± 2°C, 95 ± 3 % relative humidity for 42 days
   ■ Peel resistance at 23 °C ≥ 1.5 N/ mm
   (or foil stretching or foil tearing ≥ 1.5 N/mm)
3. Proof of identity (IR spectrum)
   ■ Adhesive and the solids content in the primers
One-component, reactive polyurethane hot melt adhesives (PUR-HM) are characterised by an additional crosslinking reaction with moisture after the physical setting process through cooling and solidification. This crosslinking reaction, which may continue for several days, leads to a considerable increase in cohesion. In addition, the hot melt develops its elastomeric character due to the multidimensional crosslinking of the adhesive. Among other benefits, this type of adhesive therefore has a superior thermal and hydrolysis stability. The degree of chemical crosslinking depends on the ambient humidity. To prevent a premature reaction, PUR hot melt adhesives must be protected from humidity in manufacturing, storage and processing. After complete chemical crosslinking, PUR hot melts cannot be molten again and provide superior resistance to water, solvents and cleaners.
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*Preliminary trials are recommended because the surface properties of aluminium can vary depending on the manufacturer.

### Process and ambient conditions for an efficient lamination process

**Storage**

- 20 – 25 °C
- 24 h

**Primer application**

- 110 – 150 °C

**Adhesive application**

- 40 – 50 °C

**Storage**

- 20 – 25 °C / 40 % RH
In general, there are two types of primers. Classic solvent primers based on MEK or methylene chloride with a VOC content of approx. 98 %, and the so-called VOC-reduced primers (with a VOC content of 30 – 50 %) which are applied in considerably lower grammages.

The primer has two major purposes:
1. Cleaning the profile surface by dissolving of usually non-polar foreign matter on the surface, resulting from the PVC formulation or developed during extrusion.
2. Improving the physical adhesion on the profile surface by swelling/slight dissolving and / or by modifying the surface polarity to enhance adhesion.
Established primers in the market generally have a VOC content of > 50 % and therefore Primer 2 with 51.0 % VOC have a more restricted grammage and application with regard to the limit of 5 g VOC/m² of laminated profile. The effect of the primer Jowat 406.84 with 29 % VOC is comparable with if not better than products with 50 % or more VOC. At the same time, it provides a wider process window while maintaining superior quality.

Maximum allowed VOC value of 5 g/m² according to European VOC guideline 1999/13/EG, Annex 2, Item 12
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