



# HexPly® 996

350°F (177°C) curing cyanate siloxane matrix



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### Description

HexPly® 996 is a 350°F (177°C) curing cyanate siloxane resin with a 330°F (165°C) glass transition temperature. Standard cure is two hours at 350°F (177°C). HexPly® 996 can be autoclave and press cured. HexPly® 996 can be impregnated on all available fibers and fabrics. The recommended lay-up procedure for HexPly® 996 is HSP-L3. The recommended cure procedure is HSP-C1 or HSP-C6.

Typical applications for HexPly® 996 are primary and secondary space structures where the optimum dimensional stability and lowest moisture absorption are required.

### Features

- Lowest moisture absorbing cyanate resin system available
- Attractive electrical properties
- Good dimensional stability
- 350°F (177°C) cure
- Available in a broad range of reinforcements for both tapes and fabrics
- Good microcracking resistance
- Low outgassing

### Typical Neat Resin Properties

Properties		RT
Tensile Strength	ksi	7.4
	MPa	51
Tensile Modulus	Msi	0.43
	GPa	3.0
Strain %		1.7
Compression Strength	ksi	19.1
	MPa	132
Flexural Strength	ksi	11.0
	MPa	76
Flexural Modulus	Msi	0.47
	GPa	3.2
G1 C (in-lbs/in <sup>2</sup> )		2.36
Density (g/cc)		1.146
Tg, (RDS Torsion G1) °C		169



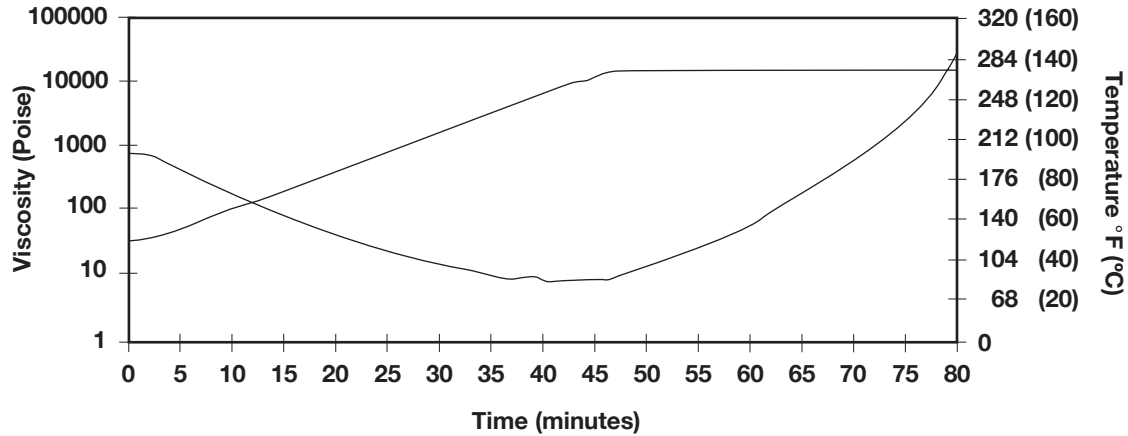
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### HexPly® 996 Viscosity Profile



### HexPly® 996 Neat Resin Outgassing

Outgassing	NASA Limits	996
TML%	1.0	0.17
CVCM%	0.1	0.01
WVR%	-	0.1

Tested per ASTM 595

### Thermal Cycle Evaluation

Materials	0 Cycles # cracks/in.	10 Cycles # cracks/in.	50 Cycles # cracks/in.	100 Cycles # cracks/in.
996/M55J, 0°	0	0.25	0.25	0.25
996/M55J, 90°	0	0	1.25	1.25
954-3/M55J, 0°	0	0	0	0
954-3/M55J, 90°	0	0	1.25	1.25

Notes: Laminate configuration is (45, -45, 0, 90)4S

Thermal cycle: -250°F (-157°C) to 250°F (121°C) @ 10°F/min., 5 min. hold

### Dimensional Stability: Neat Resin

Property	996
CTE, ppm/°F, 58°F - 78°F	31.96

### Dimensional Stability: HexPly® M55J/996

Property	Unidirectional Laminate	Quasi-isotropic Laminate-1	Quasi-isotropic Laminate-2
Fiber Volume, %	59.3	59.0	63.1
CTE, $\mu\text{in}/^\circ\text{F}$ , 58°F - 78°F	0° orient. -0.533 90° orient. +20.50	-0.118	-0.119

### Typical HexPly® 996 Outlife Data



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Property	Day 1	Day 7	Day 14	Day 21
<b>Tack</b>	IV	III	III	III
<b>Drape</b>	pass	pass	pass	pass
<b>Flow, %</b>	15.4	13.9	15.9	14.7
<b>Tg, °C</b>	169.7/169.4	171.1/170.6	170.0/169.6	170.9/170.4
<b>SBS, ksi</b>	10.4/10.1	10.9/10.6	10.5/10.4	10.6/10.4

### HexPly® 996 Neat Resin Dielectric Properties (9.375 Mhz)

Property	RT	250°F
Dielectric Constant	3.54	3.45
Loss Tangent	0.008	0.012

### HexPly® 996/M55J Mechanical Summary

Property	Method	-67°F/dry Avg	RT/dry Avg	180°F/wet Avg
<b>0° Tension Strength</b> <b>ksi</b>	ASTM 3039	289	286	270
<b>0° Tension Modulus</b> <b>Msi</b>	"	46.67	45.95	46.39
<b>90° Tension Strength</b> <b>ksi</b>	ASTM 3039	5.8	6.1	5.7
<b>0° Comp. Strength</b> <b>ksi</b>	SACMA SRM-1R94	136.3	129.1	114.5
<b>0° Comp. Modulus</b> <b>Msi</b>	"	45.88	49.46	48.00
<b>SBS Strength</b> <b>ksi</b>	ASTM 2344	12.6	10.7	7.8
<b>In-Plane Shear Strength</b> <b>ksi</b>	SMR-7R94	n/a	10.9	n/a
<b>In-Plane Shear Modulus</b> <b>Msi</b>	"	n/a	0.62	n/a
<b>Tg °C (RDS Torsion, G1)</b>	T-41	n/a	169.6	160.4

### Typical Mechanical Properties (Various Fibers)

Property	Fibers (Average Values)			
	M40J	M55J	M60J	K13C2U
<b>0 Tensile Strength</b> <b>ksi</b> <b>MPa</b>	336	292	294	241
	2316	2013	2027	1661
<b>0 Tensile Modulus</b> <b>Msi</b> <b>GPa</b>	29.6	44.9	50.0	78.4
	204	310	345	540
<b>0 Comp. Strength</b> <b>ksi</b> <b>MPa</b>	168	127	128	50.7
	1158	876	882	350
<b>0 Comp. Modulus</b> <b>Msi</b> <b>GPa</b>	26.3	41.4	48.1	77.2
	181	285	332	532
<b>0 IL Shear Strength</b> <b>ksi</b> <b>MPa</b>	11.0	9.4	11.7	7.1
	76	65	81	49

Notes: 0 degree tensile and compression values are normalized to 60% fiber volume. All testing performed at RT.



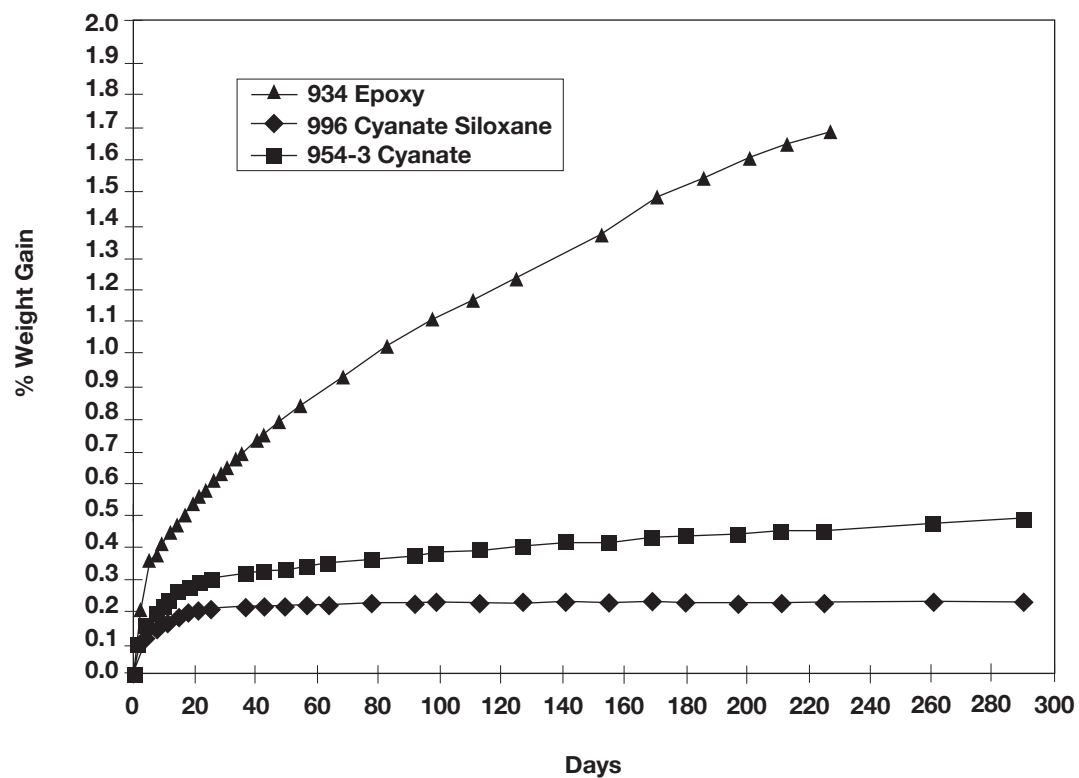
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## Neat Resin Moisture Absorption at RT/50% RH (compared to HexPly® 934 epoxy and HexPly® 954-3 cyanate)





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## Handling and Safety Precautions

Hexcel recommends that customers observe established precautions for handling resins and fine fibrous materials. Operators working with this product should wear clean, impervious gloves to reduce the possibility of skin contact and to prevent contamination of the material. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) have been prepared for all Hexcel products and are available to company safety officers on request from the nearest Hexcel Sales Office.

## Prepreg Storage Life

	Definition	Time
<b>Tack Life</b>	The time, at room temperature, during which prepreg retains enough tack for easy component lay-up.	10 days at RT (23°C/73°F)
<b>Out Life</b>	The maximum accumulated time allowed at room temperature between removal from the freezer and cure.	14 days at RT (23°C/73°F)
<b>Shelf Life</b>	The maximum storage life for HexPly prepreg, when stored continuously, in a closed moisture proof bag at -18°C/0°F.	6 months at -18°C/0°F (maximum, from date of manufacture)

To accurately establish the exact expiration date, consult the box label.

## Shipping

Prepreg is generally shipped in a sealed polyethylene bag in refrigerated transportation or in containers with dry ice.

## Disposal of Scrap

Disposal of this material should be in a secure landfill in accordance with state and federal regulations.

## For more information

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- HexPly® prepregs
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- Engineered core
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