

DuPont™ Kalrez® Spectrum™ 7275 Perfluoroelastomer Parts

O-rings for mechanical seals in silicon chemicals

Silicon chemicals are used to manufacture a wide range of industrial materials including coatings, adhesives or elastomers. Chlorosilanes, a very reactive group of chemical compounds, are used as the main base material for the manufacturing of microelectronics. After trying different FFKMs, a major manufacturer of silicon chemicals has selected Kalrez[®] Spectrum™ 7275 as the preferred elastomer for mechanical seals of pumps handling aggressive silanes and chlorosilanes.

• Chemicals and cleaning: Silanes and chlorosilanes

Process conditions: Above 110 °C

• Incumbent solution: Various competitive FFKM

• Performance challenge: Insufficient lifetime vs. customer expectations (swelling and blistering)

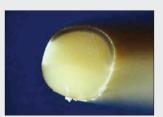
Kalrez® Spectrum™ 7275 benefits:

- Kalrez® Spectrum™ 7275 O-rings extended the Mean Time Between Repair (MTBR) of this mechanical seal by at least 30%.
- While the incumbent FFKM O-ring showed signs of severe swelling and blistering, Kalrez® Spectrum™ 7275 seal had only superficial color change, with minimum swelling and unchanged flexibility (see pictures).

Weight change after 5 weeks exposure to silanes and chlorosilanes at 70 °C







Kalrez® Spectrum™ 7275 (same position in mechanical seal)

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