


# Casting compounds of the series Wepuran VT 3402 KK

Owing to their extremely high transparency the casting compounds of the series **Wepuran VT 3402 KK** are used in lighting electronics/LED technology and sensor technology, especially in applications where highest demands are placed on optical properties, for example for the potting/encapsulating of LEDs or optical sensors.

The casting compounds of the series **Wepuran VT 3402 KK** protect and insulate electronic components against extreme climatic influence and aggressive media as well as against mechanical attacks.

- Base: Polyurethane resin (UR)
- colourless, highly transparent and crystal-clear
- mercury-free
- very good weather resistance, outstanding UV light stability, good thermal resistance
- operating temperature range **-65 to at least +90 °C [-85 to at least 194 °F]**
- very high optical transparency with low optical damping
- very good adhesion to almost all materials
- high mechanical stability, thus very good protection against shock, impact and vibration
- resistant against water, moisture, condensate and numerous chemicals, bases, acids and oils
- mixing with dyestuff concentrates **FK 3432**, red, and **FK 3452**, blue results in coloured transparent casting compounds, e.g. for colour marking when light sources are potted (with the colour intensity being controlled through the mixing ratio. Physical and electrical properties will not change; colour stability is limited when exposed to UV light).
- with the help of the ready-to-use hazy casting compounds **VT 3402 NV-H2** to **H/4** an even light diffusion can be achieved in the potting of light sources; the haze level increases between **H/2** and **H/4**. The same applies when the hazing paste **TP 3492 LS** is used (as 3rd component), depending on the mixing ratio.

## Selection chart: Casting compounds of the series Wepuran VT 3402 KK

	VT 3402 KK-NV	VT 3402 KK-NV-LT	VT 3402 KK-NV-SV-HB	VT 3402 KK-NV-UVP
low viscosity, easy flow	●	●	●	●
easy processing	●	●	●	●
processing time	●	●	●	●
low heat development when cured	●	●	●	●
electric insulation and climatic resistance	●	●	●	●
suitable for flex strips	●	●	●	●
outdoor use	●	●	●	●
hydrolytic resistance	●	●	—	●
underwater use	●	●	●	●
adhesion	●	●	●	●
adhesion on aluminium	●	●	●	●
hardly flammable (horizontal burning – HB)	●	●	●	●
 flame class UL 94 HB	—	—	●	—
UV resistance	●	●	●	●
protection of base material against UV loads	—	—	●	●
thermal resistance / yellowing resistance under thermal load	●	●	●	●

- very well suited, very easy, high
- well suited, easy, average
- moderately suited, low
- not suited, not recommended

Please note that the information above is given as a non-binding recommendation. The suitability of a casting compound for a specific application may depend on different parameters such as the substrate condition, later exposure to loads other than those stated above etc.

Owing to excessive heat generation by power LEDs, the casting compounds of the series **Wepuran VT 3402 KK** are not suitable for coating this type of LEDs. Please follow the recommendations of your LED manufacturer with regard to the compatibility between different media / materials and verify the suitability by performing your own trials.

As with all polymers, temperature > 40 °C [104 °F] and high humidity (RH > 70 %) may cause hydrolytic degradation of polymers which may lead to discolouring, softening and stickiness or even dissolution. For this reason, the casting compounds of the series **Wepuran VT 3402 KK** are not suitable for applications in saunas and steam baths. As an alternative, one can use [Wepesil casting compounds](#) based on silicone (SR).

The casting compounds of the series **Wepuran VT 3402 NV-H** are light-diffusing versions of the casting compound **Wepuran VT 3402 KK-NV**. Compared to the hazing paste **TP 3492 LS**, they enable a more even light diffusion.

In addition, it is possible to mix **Wepuran VT 3402 NV-H** with the casting compound **Wepuran VT 3402 KK-NV**

## Characteristics

	<b>Colour/ appear- ance</b>	<b>Viscosity* at 20 °C</b> DIN EN ISO 3219 Component A Hardener (comp. B) Mixture	<b>Density at 20 °C</b> DIN EN ISO 2811-1 Component A Hardener (comp. B) Mixture	<b>Pot life of mixture</b> at 19-21 °C based on DIN EN 14022 approx. 200 mL double / tenfold viscosity
VT 3402 KK-NV	colourless, clear	1400 ± 500 mPas 400 ± 100 mPas 1100 ± 300 mPas	1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	approx. 50 / 55 min
VT 3402 KK-NV-LT	colourless, clear	1500 ± 300 mPas 400 ± 100 mPas 1000 ± 300 mPas	1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	approx. 2 h / 5 h
VT 3402 KK-NV-SV-HB	colourless, klar	1100 ± 300 mPas 1200 ± 300 mPas 1300 ± 300 mPas	1.06 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.17 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.13 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	approx. 75 / 110 min
VT 3402 KK-NV-UVP	colourless, clear	1600 ± 300 mPas 400 ± 100 mPas 900 ± 300 mPas	1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	approx. 50 / 55 min
VT 3402 NV-H/2 VT 3402 NV-H/3 VT 3402 NV-H/4	colourless, milky	1600 ± 500 mPas 400 ± 100 mPas 1100 ± 500 mPas	1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup> 1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	approx. 50 / 65 min
FK 3432	red	1700 ± 300 mPas	1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	Pot life corresponds approximately to the pot life of the casting compound used
FK 3452	blue	1700 ± 300 mPas	1.09 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	
TP 3492 LS	colourless, milky	54000 ± 6000 mPas**	1.48 ± 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	

\* measured with Haake RS 600, C 35/1°, D = 100 s<sup>-1</sup>,  
viscosity measuring unit supplied by Thermo Fisher Scientific, [www.thermofisher.com](http://www.thermofisher.com)

\*\* measured with Haake RS 600, C 20/1°, D = 50 s<sup>-1</sup>

Indices:

FK = dyestuff concentrate

H = hazing

KK = crystal-clear

LS = light diffusing

LT = long pot life

NV = low viscosity

SV-HB = self-extinguishing in horizontal burning test (UL 94 HB)

TP = hazing paste

UVP = UV-protection

VT = casting compound, transparent

## Physical and mechanical properties

These properties are reached after 14 days storage at room temperature (18–23 °C [64.4–73.4 °F]).

Property	Test-method	VT 3402 KK-NV VT 3402 KK-NV-LT VT 3402 KK-NV-UVP	VT 3402 KK-NV-SV-HB	VT 3402 NV-H/2 VT 3402 NV-H/3 VT 3402 NV-H/4
Refractive index n <sub>TM</sub>	Monochromatic light (633 nm)	≈ 1.50	—	—
Double refraction		< 4 x 10 <sup>-4</sup>	—	—
Shore-A hardness	ISO 48-4	60-80	60-80	60-75
Water absorption	DIN EN ISO 62 24 h/23 °C	≈ 1 %	≈ 0.3 %	≈ 1 %
Hydrolytic resistance	500 h, 85 °C, 85 % RH	passed	passed	passed
	500 h, 100 °C, 100 % RH	passed	—	passed
Thermal cycling test	150 cycles 15 min/-40 °C 15 min/+85 °C	passed	passed	—
Temperature shock	based on IPC-TM-650, 2.6.71. -65 to +125 °C	passed	passed	—
Glass transition temperature T <sub>g</sub>	TMA	≈ -10 °C	≈ 0 °C	≈ -10 °C
Coefficient of thermal expansion CTE	TMA < T <sub>g</sub> / > T <sub>g</sub>	≈ 120 / 210 ppm/°C	≈ 90 / 220 ppm/°C	≈ 110 / 220 ppm/°C
Thermal class**	in acc. with DIN IEC 60 085	Y = 90 °C	Y = 90 °C	Y = 90 °C
Temperature index* (TI) in acc. with DIN EN 60216 (IEC 60216), as of 2001	Mass loss after 5000 h: 5 % 10% 20 % 50 %	≥ 110 °C ≥ 120 °C ≥ 140 °C ≥ 150 °C	≥ 110 °C ≥ 120 °C ≥ 135 °C ≥ 155 °C	—
	Mass loss after 20000 h: 5 % 10% 20 % 50 %	≥ 90 °C ≥ 100 °C ≥ 115 °C ≥ 125 °C	≥ 80 °C ≥ 95 °C ≥ 110 °C ≥ 125 °C	—

\* can be used in a temperature range of -65 up to at least +90 °C [-85 up to at least 194 °F]. Both at the lower and upper ends of this range the performance and reliability of the material can be negatively affected in some applications. In these cases, additional pre-trials and tests are required.

## Electrical properties

These properties are reached after 14 days storage at room temperature (18–23 °C [64.4–73.4 °F]).

Property	Test method	VT 3402 KK-NV VT 3402 KK-NV-LT VT 3402 KK-NV-UVP	VT 3402 KK-NV-SV-HB	VT 3402 NV-H/2 VT 3402 NV-H/3 VT 3402 NV-H/4
Dielectric strength	IPC-TM-650, 2.5.6.1	≥ 50 kV/mm	≥30 kV/mm	≥ 40 kV/mm
Surface resistance	DIN EN 62631-3-2	≥ 2 x 10 <sup>14</sup> Ohm	≥ 2 x 10 <sup>14</sup> Ohm	≥ 8.4 x 10 <sup>13</sup> Ohm
Specific volume resistance	DIN EN 62631-3-1	≥ 2.0 x 10 <sup>12</sup> Ohm x cm	≥ 2.0 x 10 <sup>11</sup> Ohm x cm	≥1.5 x 10 <sup>13</sup> Ohm x cm
Comparative tracking index (CTI, tracking resist.)	DIN EN 60 112	CTI ≥ 600		

## Optical properties

Extensive data on transmission and colorimetry, as well as photos on the yellowing behaviour of various casting resins at different temperatures and over certain period of times are included in the [Technical Information sheet TI 15/19](#) “Optical properties under long-term high temperature exposure of ELPECAST® casting compounds of the series Wepuran VT 3402 KK and Wepesil VT 3602 KK”.

## Additional tests


Please note that adjustments differing from the ones tested here may give slightly different results.

Property	Test method	VT 3402 KK-NV	VT 3402 NH-H/2
Water immersion	UNI EN ISO 2812 part 1 method 1 250 h, 25 °C	≈ 0.62 %	≈ 0.47 %
Impact test	F350 NF F 19-201 direct impact (1000 g x 20 cm)	passed no cracking	passed no cracking
Stone chipping	ASTM D 3160 ASTM D 3170 ≤ 7B	passed	passed
Resistance to liquid chemicals	UNI EN ISO 2812 part 1 method 2 8.5 % HCl 240 h, 20 °C 20 % NaOH 240 h, 20 °C	passed: no adsorption, change or softening	passed: no adsorption, change or softening
Heat resistance	MS CG-12 500 h, 80 °C	passed: no deforming, colour change or softening	—
High temperature resistance	GM 6073 1 h, 93 °C	passed: no deforming, colour change or softening	passed: no deforming, colour change or softening
Solvents resistance	UNI EN ISO 2812, isopropyl alcohol 48h,20°C	change of mass ≈ 5.12 %	change of mass ≈ 5.47 %
QUV test	ISO 16474, 1000 h	passed	passed

Tests performed on LED strips (PVC and aluminium)

Property	Test method	VT 3402 KK-NV	VT 3402 NH-H/2
Neutral salt spray test	ISO 7253, 1500 h; NaCl 50 ± 5 g/l in demineralised water; electrical conductivity < 20 µs/cm	passed: no cracking, blistering or water adsorption	
Resistance to humid heat	UNI EN ISO 6270 1500 h at 50 °C/95 % RH	passed: no cracking, blistering, softening, gloss variation or water adsorption	
Resistance to liquid chemicals	UNI EN ISO 2812, part 1 method 2 8.5% HCl, 240 h, 20 °C 20% NaOH, 240 h, 20 °C	passed: no deforming, colour change or softening	
Resistance to chlorinated water (swimming pool)	swimming pool water (5 ppm NaClO), approx. pH 7	passed: no deforming, colour change or softening (only tested on PVC)	

## Processing

	Please read this technical report and the publications listed below carefully before using the product. These sheets are enclosed with the first shipment of product or sample.
<b>MSDS</b>	The corresponding material safety data sheet contains detailed information and characteristics on safety precautions, environmental protection, transport, storage, handling and waste disposal.
<b>AI</b>	<a href="#">Application information AI 3/1</a> "Processing instructions for the casting compounds of the series Wepuran VT 3402 KK"
<b>TI</b>	<a href="#">Technical information TI 15/2</a> "Selection criteria and processing instructions for casting compounds"
<b>TI</b>	<a href="#">Technical information TI 15/3</a> "Protective measures when using chemicals including lacquers, casting compounds, thinners, cleaning agents"
<b>TI</b>	<a href="#">Technical information TI 15/10</a> "Processing of 2-pack systems"

Since the many different permutations make it impossible to evaluate the whole spectrum (parameters, reactions with materials used, chemical processes and machines) of processes and subsequent processes in all their variations, the parameters we recommend are to be viewed as guidelines only that were determined in laboratory conditions. We advise you to determine the exact process limitations within your production environment, in particular as regards compatibility with your specific follow-up processes, in order to ensure a stable fabrication process and products of the highest possible quality.

The specified product data is based upon standard processing conditions/test conditions of the mentioned norms and must be verified if necessary while observing suitable test conditions on processed products.

Feel free to contact our application technology department (ATD) if you have any questions or for a consultation.

## Mixing

→ If component A has crystallised, warm up the total contents of the container to a maximum temperature of 70 °C until the crystals have melted. Stir the material thoroughly to ensure a homogeneous mixture. Prior to processing, let it cool down again to 20-25 °C [68-77° F].



Stir before use: VT 3402 NV-H, FK 3432, FK 3452 and TP 3492 LS



### Parts by weight Comp. A : hardener (comp. B)

VT 3402 KK-NV VT 3402 KK-NV-LT VT 3402 KK-NV-UVP VT 3402 NV-H/2 VT 3402 NV-H/3 VT 3402 NV-H/4	1 : 1
VT 3402 KK-NV-SV-HB	4 : 7

## Auxiliary products recommended

- [ELPESPEC® accelerator B 4402](#)  
reduces the curing time and the processing time, thus to be applied preferably with mixing and dosing units; stirred into component A prior to processing the casting compound
- [ELPESPEC® sealing mastic EH 13.271](#)  
solvent-free paste for sealing jobs in electronics and electrical engineering, self-adhesive and permelastatic
- [ELPESPEC® mould release agent EH 13.650](#)  
solvent-, silicone- and grease-free, for pre-treating the surfaces of parts to be potted; after curing, the potting can be easily removed from the mould without residue
- [ELPECAST® adhesion promoter AP 4 LED](#)  
good wetting performance even on critical base materials, e. g. silicone surfaces of LEDs; available for brushing or spraying
- [ELPESPEC® adhesion promoters EH 13.950/EH 13.951](#)  
for improving the adhesion; **EH 13.950** is appl. thinly to the parts that will come into contact with the casting comp. while **EH 13.951** is mixed thoroughly with the casting comp. prior to potting
- [ELPESPEC® cleaning agent R 13.780](#)  
for the cleaning of work place and tools; cleaning should be effected immediately after processing as cleaning becomes increasingly difficult the further the curing process progresses and is impossible after final curing

## Drying/curing

The following specifications for a quantity of 25 g serve as a guideline:

		Room temperature (18-23 °C)	80 °C [176 °F]
VT 3402 KK-NV VT 3402 KK-NV-SV-HB VT 3402 KK-NV-UVP	tack-free	24 h	1 h
	cured	14 days	2 h
VT 3402 KK-NV-LT	tack-free	24–48 h	4 h
	cured	14 days	8 h

The accelerator **B 4402** is recommended if a faster curing is required (see item “Auxiliary Products recommended”). Curing at higher temperatures may lead to yellowing of the casting compound.

## Packaging

The packing units available are indicated in our offer which we will send you upon request.

## Shelf life and storage conditions



Shelf life: In sealed original containers at least 6 months  
FK 3432 and FK 3452: 12 months



Storage conditions: +5 °C to +25 °C [+41 °F to +77 °F]



Protect against humidity



Protect against frost

For warehousing reasons, isolated cases may occur where the shelf life upon shipment is less than the shelf life indicated in this technical report. However, it is ensured that our products have **at least** two-thirds of their shelf life remaining when they leave our company. Labels on containers show shelf life and storage conditions.

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