

# BASF Technical Data Sheet

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## SPRAYTITE® 178 Series BUILDING ENVELOPE INSULATION ICC-ES ESR-2642, Intertek CCRR-1031

### DESCRIPTION:

**SPRAYTITE 178** is a two-component closed-cell spray polyurethane foam system utilizing an EPA-approved, zero ozone-depleting blowing agent. It is designed for use in residential construction and common commercial insulation applications. **SPRAYTITE 178** is compatible with most common construction materials, but can only be processed with ELASTOSPRAY® 8000A Isocyanate. The benefits of **SPRAYTITE 178** include:

- Superior insulation
- Controls moisture infiltration
- Controls air infiltration
- FEMA Class 5 flood-damage resistant rated material
- Non-fibrous
- Structural enhancement
- Speed of installation

REACTIVITIES AVAILABLE	AMBIENT TEMPERATURE RANGE
SPRAYTITE 178 XF	20°F to 65°F
SPRAYTITE 178 F	60°F to 120°F

### TYPICAL PROPERTIES<sup>(1)</sup>

PROPERTY	METHOD	SPRAYTITE 178
<b>Resin:</b>		
Specific Gravity @ 70°F	ASTM D 1638	1.175
Viscosity @ 70°F (cps)	Brookfield	500
<b>Cured Foam:</b>		
Density, core (pcf @ 2" lifts)	ASTM D 1622	2.0 – 2.3
Thermal Resistance (aged)		
k-factor (Btu in/ft <sup>2</sup> hr °F)	ASTM C 518	0.149 @ 1-in thick 0.145 @ 4-in thick
R-value (ft <sup>2</sup> hr °F/Btu in) <sup>(2)</sup>	Calculated	6.7 / in @ < 4-in thick 6.9 / in @ ≥ 4-in thick
Compressive Strength (psi)	ASTM D 1621	26 +/- 5% <sup>A</sup>
Water Vapor Transmission – Permeability (perm-inch)	ASTM E 96	1.39
Water Vapor Transmission – Permeance (perms)	ASTM E 96	<1.0 @ 1.50" thickness (Class II vapor retarder)
Air Leakage (L/s*m <sup>2</sup> @ 75 Pa ΔP)	ASTM E 283	<0.005 @ 1.0 inch (Air impermeable)
Water Absorption (vol %)	ASTM D 2842	0.60
Tensile Strength (psi)	ASTM D 1623	62.4 (Type C)
Response to Thermal and Humid Aging (% linear change)		
158°F / 97% RH / 168 hrs	ASTM D 2126	4.9
Closed Cell Content (%)	ASTM D 6226	98
Surface Burning Characteristics		
Flame Spread Index <sup>(3)</sup>	ASTM E 84	≤ 25
Smoke Developed Index	ASTM E 84	≤ 450

<sup>A</sup>The coefficient of thermal expansion varies between  $3 \times 10^{-5}$  and  $4 \times 10^{-4} 1/K$  or  $1.5 \times 10^{-5}$  and  $2 \times 10^{-4} 1/°F$ . The lower end of the range relates to closed-cell SPF while the higher values were reported for open-cell foams.

### ADDITIONAL TESTING, APPROVALS & CERTIFICATIONS:

- ASTM E 84 (Class I) with Product Listing <sup>(3)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup>
- NFPA 285 complying assemblies available
- Fire Resistant assemblies available
- ICC-ES Evaluation Report ESR-2642; including Seal & Insulate with ENERGY STAR® Supplement
- INTERTEK Code Compliance Research Report CCRR-1031
- ASTM C 1029 – Type II Compliant
- Thickness is not limited when installed behind a code-prescribed thermal barrier (per ICC-ES AC377)
- Approved for Attics & Crawl Spaces Installations with and without prescriptive ignition barriers per ICC-ES AC377, Appendix A1.2.2 and Appendix X
- Florida Building Code Approval *FL 13001 – Spray Polyurethane Foam Adhesive System; Fillet Application (Outside HVHZ)*
  - *Fillet and Full Insulating Layer applications*
  - *Plywood and OSB decks*
  - *Design Pressure range = -160 psf to -293 psf*
- Miami-Dade NOA 17-0725-04
  - *Subcategory; Wood Connectors – Design Pressure +/- 125 psf*
- California Bureau of Electronic and Appliance Repair, Home Furnishings and Thermal Insulation
- GREENGUARD and GREENGUARD Gold Certification for VOC emissions
- Meets the requirements of CDPH Section 01350 for VOC emissions and formaldehyde
- Mold resistant per ASTM C1338 – “Pass” rating (no growth)

Odor level of spray polyurethane foam is dependent on proper application using the recommended processing parameters and proper ventilation.

Please contact your local Sales or Technical Representative for specific questions regarding **SPRAYTITE 178** properties, approvals, or certifications.

(1) These physical property values are typical for this material as applied at our development facility under controlled conditions. SPF performance and actual physical properties will vary with differences in application (i.e. ambient conditions, process equipment and settings, material throughput, etc). As a result, these published properties should be used as guidelines solely for the purpose of evaluation. Physical property specifications should be determined from actual production material.

The above data was collected from samples prepared using equipment configurations pertinent to lab conditions. Parameters can be obtained upon request by calling 800-706-1712. (2) The data chart shows the R-value of this insulation. “R” means resistance to heat flow. The higher the R-value, the greater the insulating power. Compare insulation R-values before you buy. There are other factors to consider. The amount of insulation will depend upon the climate, the type and size of your house, and the fuel use patterns and family size. If you buy too much insulation it will cost you more than what you will save on fuel. To achieve proper R-values, it is essential that this insulation be installed properly.

(3) This numerical flame spread rating does not reflect hazards presented by this or any other material under actual fire conditions. Polyurethane foam systems should not be left exposed and must be protected by a minimum 15-minute thermal barrier or other code-compliant material as allowed by applicable building code(s) and Code Officials. Building Codes provide guidelines representing minimum requirements. Further information is available at [www.iccsafe.org](http://www.iccsafe.org). Consult all Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) over an area for additional or specific requirements prior to beginning any project.

(4) ASTM E 84 is a test designed for sample thickness up to four (4) inches. NFPA 286 is a building code recognized alternative test conducted on large-scale assemblies to evaluate foam thickness in excess of four (4) inches as permitted in 2012 IBC Section 2603.10; 2006 & 2009 IBC Section 2603.9; 2009 & 2012 IRC Section R316.6; 2006 IRC Section R314.6.



Closed-Cell Spray Polyurethane Foam Insulation



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## GENERAL INFORMATION:

SPRAYTITE 178 is a spray polyurethane foam (SPF) system intended for installation by qualified contractors trained in the processing and application of SPF systems, as well as the plural-component polyurethane dispensing equipment required to do so. Contractors and applicators must comply with all applicable and appropriate storage, handling, processing and safety guidelines. BASF technical service personnel should be consulted in all cases where application conditions are questionable.

SPRAYTITE 178 has an estimated theoretical yield range of 4,200-4,800 board feet per set. Actual yield performance can be in excess of or below the referenced estimated theoretical range based on factors affecting density including, however, not limited to: multiple lifts, substrate texture, substrate temperature, overspray loss, windy conditions, altitude, container residue, equipment characteristics & temperatures, applicator technique, etc. For help estimating yield for this and other spray foams, please consult Spray Polyurethane Foam Alliance's SPFA-121 SPF Estimating Reference Guide.

## CAUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

SPRAYTITE 178 is designed for an application rate of ½ inch minimum to 2 inches maximum per pass. Proper cooling or dwell time is required between passes (minimum 15 minutes per pass applied). Once installed and material has cooled it is possible to add additional applications in order to increase the overall installed thickness of SPF. Thicker installations are allowed based on large scale testing. Please see ESR-2642 for additional information. This application procedure is in compliance with the Spray Polyurethane Foam Alliance (SPFA).

SPRAYTITE 178 is NOT designed for use as an EXTERIOR roofing system. BASF offers a separate line of products for exterior roofing applications. For more information, please contact your sales representative. Cold-storage structures such as coolers and freezers demand special design considerations with regard to thermal insulation and moisture-vapor drive. SPRAYTITE 178 should NOT be installed in these types of constructions unless the structure was designed by a design professional for specific use as cold storage.

SPRAYTITE 178 is designed for installation to most standard construction materials such as wood, wood based products, plastics, metal and concrete. SPRAYTITE 178 has performed successfully when sprayed onto wood substrates down to 20°F using special cold weather application techniques. For heat sink-materials such as metal or concrete, SPRAYTITE 178 can be sprayed onto substrates down to 30°F, using a flash pass method. BASF recommends the use of mock ups or sample spray before starting the full-scale project. This will provide an opportunity to see how all materials are installed and evaluate their properties prior to proceeding. Please consult a BASF Representative for further information about applications using our liquid compounds.

Foam plastic materials installed in walls or ceilings may present a fire hazard unless protected by an approved, fire-resistant thermal barrier with a finish rating of not less than 15 minutes as required by building codes. Rim joists/header areas, in accordance with the IRC and IBC, may not require additional protection. Foam plastic must also be protected against ignition by code prescribed or properly tested materials in attics and crawl spaces. See relevant Building Codes and [www.iccsafe.org](http://www.iccsafe.org) for more information.

**Important Material Preparation Note:** Product should be stored at 50-80°F. Materials should be prepared for processing by being warmed to 70°F minimum at least 24 hours prior to installation and maintained at 70°F during the install process.

EQUIPMENT SETTING GUIDELINES		
Climate	A side, B side, Hose Temp (Adjust in +/- 5° increments)	Proportioner set pressure (Spraying pressure)
Colder	120°F – 130°F	1150 – 1450 psi (900 – 1200 psi)
Warmer	110°F – 125°F	1150 – 1450 psi (900 – 1200 psi)

In addition to reading and understanding the SDS, all contractors and applicators must use appropriate respiratory, skin and eye Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) when handling and processing polyurethane chemical systems. Personnel should review related industry and best practice documents published by organizations such as Spray Polyurethane Foam Alliance (SPFA), OSHA, Spray Foam Coalition (SFC) and American Chemistry Council / Center for the Polyurethanes Industry (CPI)

As with all SPF systems, improper application techniques should be avoided. Examples of improper application techniques include, but are not limited to excessive thickness of SPF, off-ratio material and spraying into or under rising SPF. Potential results of improperly installed SPF include: dangerously high reaction temperatures that may result in fire and offensive odors that may or may not dissipate. Improperly installed SPF must be removed and replaced with properly installed materials.

LARGE MASSES of SPF should be removed to an outside safe area, cut into smaller pieces and allowed to cool before discarding into an appropriate trash receptacle.

SPF insulation is combustible. High-intensity heat sources such as welding or cutting torches must not be used in contact with or in close proximity to SPRAYTITE 178 or any polyurethane foam. The insulation must not be used in areas that have a maximum service temperature greater than 180°F(82°C).

## SHELF LIFE AND STORAGE CONDITIONS:

SPRAYTITE 178 Series has a shelf life of approximately six (6) months from the date of manufacture when stored in original, unopened containers at 50-80°F. As with all industrial chemicals this material should be stored in a covered, secure location and never in direct sunlight. Storage temperatures above the recommended range will shorten shelf life. Storage temperatures above the recommended range may also result in elevated headspace pressure within packages.

## LIMITED WARRANTY INFORMATION – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:

The information herein is to assist customers in determining whether our products are suitable for their applications. Our products are only intended for sale to industrial and commercial customers. Customer assumes full responsibility for quality control, testing and determination of suitability of products for its intended application or use. We warrant that our products will meet our written liquid component specifications. We make no other warranty of any kind, either express or implied, by fact or law, including any warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. Our total liability and customers' exclusive remedy for all proven claims is replacement of nonconforming product and in no event shall we be liable for any other damages.

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Warning: These products can be used to prepare a variety of polyurethane products. Polyurethanes are organic materials and must be considered combustible.