



# Heavy Drip-Chek™ Sealer

## 08531

Technical Data Sheet

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08531	3M™ Heavy Drip-Chek™ Sealer

**Product Description** A light-gray colored sealer, specially designed to seal exterior auto body definition seams (such as roof drip rails) typically found on older model vehicles. This product will shrink during the curing process to provide a visual definition seam. The product applies easily and adheres well to properly prepared primer and paint.

**Features**

- Non-sagging
- Controlled shrinkage

**Typical Physical Properties**

**Note: The following technical information and data should be considered representative or typical only and should not be used for specification purposes.**

Container	5 oz. tube
Base	Nitrile Rubber
Density lbs/Gallon (Appx.)	8.1
Color	Light Gray
Flash Point - °F	40°F (Closed Cup)
Viscosity (CPS) Brookfield Viscometer	~10,000 cp
Solids Content (Appx.)	33.18% by weight or volume
Consistency	Thick Paste
Solvent	Toluene
Service Temperature - °F	-20°F to 180°F

**Product Uses**

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**For professional use only. Not intended for retail sale.**

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## Typical Performance Properties

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Primed Metal Adhesion	Very Good
Cold Temperature Flexibility @ -20°F	No Crack
Heat Resistance @ 180°F	Does Not Soften

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## Directions for Use

NOTE: 3M Best Practice is that all sealers, unless designated specifically for use on bare metal, be applied to properly prepared automotive paint or primer. Applying over bare metal may not provide adequate corrosion protection.

**Acid etch primer is not recommended to be used in direct contact with any 3M seam sealer. Residual acid can weaken the bond.**

1. Lightly scuff the area where the sealer is to be applied.
2. Wash surface with soap and water to remove water soluble contaminants. Follow the soap and water wash with an appropriate VOC compliant product for removal of surface contaminants.
3. Open tube and apply sealer. Tool to desired appearance, but remember that this sealer is designed to shrink to a definition seam during the curing process.
4. Allow to dry before applying primer and/or paint over the sealer. Because of the high solvent content of this product, it is best to allow 24 - 48 hours of dry time before painting.

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## Applications

3M™ Heavy Drip-Chek™ Sealer is designed for applications to drip rails, coach joints and narrow automotive seams (all definition seams).

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## Storage and Handling

Store at room temperature. Rotate stock on a “first-in-first-out” basis. When stored at the recommended conditions in original, unopened containers, this product has a shelf life of 24 months. Use in a well-ventilated area.

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### Precautionary Information

Before using this product, please reference Product Label and/or Safety Data Sheet for Health and Safety Information. Note: Laws controlling the acceptable amounts of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC's) vary by state, and in some cases by locality. For surface preparation and clean-up activities, consult federal, state and local regulations regarding use of products containing VOCs in your area.

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### Technical Information

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