# PRODUCT DATA SHEET <br> 3590-TX No-Residue Wave Solder Flux 

## Introduction

3590-TX No-Residue Wave Solder Flux is a low solids, nonhalide rosin/resin-free flux designed to eliminate post-cleaning operations. Very effective flux activators provide superior solderability, reduced defects, and shiny solder joint formation.

3590-TX has a wide process window with excellent wetting capabilities, leaving no residue and high surface insulation resistance.

## Features

- Eliminates the need for cleaning
- Good solderability
- Low defects
- Compatible with conformal coatings without cleaning
- Meets Bellcore specification TR-NWT-000078


## Process Recommendations

3590-TX is best applied by ultrasonic spray. For best results, the following guidelines should be adhered to:

- In spray applications, a thin uniform flux deposition of 500-1,000 micrograms of flux solids per square inch should be applied as a starting point.
- Flux application variables, including flux deposition and uniformity, are integral factors when soldering with a no-clean chemistry. Topside board temperature should be approximately $93-104^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(200-220^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\right)$. Preheat temperatures can differ based on wave soldering equipment, fluxes, board thickness, components, and conveyor speed.


## Packaging

- 5-gallon containers
- 55-gallon drums


## Safety

All fluxes with low flash points should be handled with caution. Store in a dry, well ventilated area away from sparks, flames, and direct heat. Please refer to the Safety Data Sheet within the product shipment, or contact our local team to receive a copy.

## Bellcore Surface Insulation Resistance Test

| Pattern | Boards | Initial Reading* | Final Reading* |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Standard <br> Bellcore | Control | $7.06 \times 10^{13}$ | $8.11 \times 10^{13}$ |
|  | Pattern Up | $4.19 \times 10^{10}$ | $4.88 \times 10^{11}$ |
|  | Pattern Down | $3.43 \times 10^{12}$ | $8.55 \times 10^{13}$ |

*All readings expressed in Ohms.

## Bellcore Electromigration Resistance Test

| Pattern | Boards | Initial Reading* | Final Reading* |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| IPC-B25A | Control | $1.33 \times 10^{10}$ | $1.42 \times 10^{10}$ |
|  | Pattern Up | $5.38 \times 10^{9}$ | $8.79 \times 10^{9}$ |
|  | Pattern Down | $1.69 \times 10^{9}$ | $3.94 \times 10^{8}$ |

## *All readings expressed in Ohms.

## Physical Properties

| Test | Result |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 3590-TX | 16-3000 |
| Color | Clear | Clear |
| Specific Gravity <br> @ $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(77^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\right)$ <br> @ $15.5^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(60^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\right)$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.806 \\ & 0.813 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|l} 0.783 \\ 0.799 \end{array}$ |
| Acid Value | 22.0 | 0 |
| Solids Content | 2.5 | 0 |
| Flash Point ( ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{FTCC}$ ) | 54 | 54 |
| J-STD-004 Flux Type | ORLO | N/A |

All information is for reference only.
Not to be used as incoming product specifications.

## Shelf Life

The shelf life for this product is 2 years in an unopened container stored at less than $32.2^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(90^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\right)$. Shelf life for an opened container will vary depending on storage conditions, including open time, temperature, and humidity. For longest shelf life of an opened container, replace cap to reduce alcohol evaporation and store in a cool, dry environment.

## Technical Support

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