



# Jowatherm-Reaktant® Flat lamination



**Polyurethane hot melt adhesives (PUR HM) for flat lamination**  
**Modern adhesive portfolio with solutions for all process requirements**  
**Highest moisture and heat resistance**  
**Suitable for lamination of high-gloss foils**

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## PUR hot melt adhesives for flat lamination

For many years, flat lamination applications have been a growth market in the wood and furniture industry with constantly increasing requirements for manufacturing processes as well as for the used adhesives.

In the manufacture of modern furniture, wood-based panels are surface-laminated with the most diverse materials. Frequently used materials are resinated decor foils, veneers, as well as thermoplastic foils, laminates (CPL, HPL). The finished panels have numerous different applications: from the kitchen and home furniture to door and floorings industries, as well as for exhibition displays and shopfitting. Decoratively laminated panels and profiles are the current state of the art.

Polyurethane hot melts have been established in the market for many years and are the products of choice for applications which require a superior bonding quality.

The highest strength and durability classes, for instance for kitchen and bathroom cabinets, can be achieved with moisture-resistant polyurethane hot melt adhesives. Especially for modern high-gloss foils based on thermoplastic plastics, PUR hot melts are the products of choice.

They are convincing due to their low processing temperatures, an excellent adhesion to difficult to bond substrates, and their superior long-term durability.

In flat lamination, a crucial factor for quality is a smooth and even surface appearance. Any slight or more pronounced surface swelling of the wood-based substrate is prevented when using hot melt adhesives (solids content 100 %). The most important factor for a visually appealing and smooth surface that is a thin and at the same time resistant, hard bondline. Highest surface quality and low VOC emissions are outstanding performance factors of these adhesives.

The completely revised PUR hot melt portfolio of Jowat for flat lamination provides the optimal solution for every requirement of our customers.

## INFO: PUR hot melt adhesives

One-component, reactive polyurethane hot melts (PUR HM) are characterised by a chemical crosslinking reaction with moisture after the physical setting process through cooling and solidification. During crosslinking small amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> gas are formed, most of which is released through the adhesive film. At room temperature, this minimal amount of CO<sub>2</sub> gas is generally not visible to the human eye. The chemical reaction is initiated by humidity and/or moisture in the substrates. Therefore, PUR hot melts have to be protected from humidity during production and storage to prevent premature reactions. After complete chemical crosslinking, PUR hot melts cannot be molten again and provide superior resistance to water, solvents and cleaners.





## Technical Information

### Applications

For laminating wood-based, plastic and metal substrates with thermoplastic foils (e.g. PVC, PMMA, ABS, PET), laminates (e.g. CPL, HPL), resinated decor papers (e.g. finish foils) or veneer.

### Directions for use

Polyurethane hot melts for flat lamination are applied by roller or slot nozzle. All machine parts of the melting unit and the application system coming into contact with the adhesive should have an anti-stick coating to prevent catalytic reactions due to metal contact. The anti-stick coating also facilitates a considerably easier cleaning process.

The melting and application units should be equipped with a precise temperature control to prevent local overheating and unwanted secondary reactions. Heating the adhesive to a temperature above the recommended processing temperature will usually lead to a fast increase in viscosity of the melt due to a so-called thermal crosslinking reaction in the adhesive (allophanate reaction), which is initiated without exposure to moisture, solely by heat.

### Cleaning

Flush out PUR melt remnants from roller applicator units with the **Jowat® Flushing Agent 930.34** (red). Clean applicator units (e.g. rubber or steel rollers) thoroughly with **Jowat® 930.23/24** (powder) (2 cleaning cycles). Crosslinked, solid material has to be dissolved with **Jowat® 930.60** or **930.65** (please test for suitability before use). For more information, please refer to the "PUR hot melt Manual" under the heading "Maintenance and Cleaning" (available upon request).





## Product overview

The following table provides an overview of our tried and proven PUR hot melt adhesives of the Jowatherm-Reaktant® product series for flat lamination. The product range includes several different adhesive types with

special characteristics, adapted to the standard process requirements in flat lamination applications. The main differences between the individual products relate primarily to the demands on the specific conditions in manufacturing and the used substrate and laminating material. Please contact our Sales Representatives for a more detailed advisory service and adhesive selection.

		<b>TRANSPARENT</b>	<b>UNIVERSAL</b>	<b>BEST ADHESION</b>	<b>HIGH GLOSS</b>	<b>LAMINATES</b>	<b>MONOMER-REDUCED</b>
		<b>Jowatherm-Reaktant® 603.80</b>	<b>Jowatherm-Reaktant® 609.30</b>	<b>Jowatherm-Reaktant® 609.36</b>	<b>Jowatherm-Reaktant® 609.40</b>	<b>Jowatherm-Reaktant® 609.50</b>	<b>Jowatherm-Reaktant® 609.93</b>
Technical Data	Processing temperature [°C]	110 - 130	110 - 130	110 - 130	110 - 130	120 - 140	110 - 130
	Viscosity at 120 °C [mPas]	approx. 11,000	approx. 14,000	approx. 15,000	approx. 8,000	approx. 24,000	approx. 14,000
	Open time (film) at 120 °C [min]	0.5	3 - 4	4 - 5	3 - 4	a. 2	3 - 4
	Density [g/cm³]	approx. 1.1 (unfilled)	approx. 1.1 (unfilled)	approx. 1.1 (unfilled)	approx. 1.1 (unfilled)	approx. 1.1 (unfilled)	approx. 1.1 (unfilled)
Carrier substrate	Wood, wood-based materials (MDF, particleboard, plywood, ...)	●	●	●	●	●	●
	Plastic (PVC, ABS, ...)	○	●	●	●	●	●
	Metal (aluminium ano./chrom., steel, ...)		○	●			○
	Foams (PU, PS, ...)	○	●	●	●	●	●
Laminating material	Resinated decor papers	○	●	●	●	●	●
	Thermoplastic foils (PP (treated), PVC, PET, PMMA, ...)	○	●	●	○	○	●
	High-gloss foil (PVC, ABS, PET ...)	○	○		●		○
	High-gloss foil transparent (PET)	●					
	Laminates (CPL, HPL, ...)		●	●	○	●	●
	Metallic foils (aluminium, steel, ...)		○	●		○	○
	Veneer (with fleece backing), raw veneer		○	○	○	○	○

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