# Solder Masking Agents

Chemask<sup>®</sup> Solder Masking Agents protect PC boards, plated thru-holes, contacts, pins, posts, terminals and gold fingers during reflow and wave soldering. They provide short-term high-temperature protection from molten solder to a minimum of 515°F/268°C. All products are nonflammable, non-contaminating and will not leave ionic or corrosive residue. Chemask<sup>®</sup> Solder Masking Agents are available in convenient squeeze bottles for precision application or in gallons for automated dispensing.

Chemask<sup>®</sup> products are:

- Plastic Safe
- Nonflammable



## Chemask<sup>®</sup> — Peelable

# Fast curing, peelable temporary solder masking agent

- Dries tack-free in 15 minutes
- Easy to use just peel off dried Chemask<sup>®</sup> masking agent
- Latex material is compatible with all flux systems and stable with cleaning solvents

#### Applications:

- Ideal for protecting contacts during wave soldering
- Use as a protective mask during conformal coating process for: switches, pins, posts, contact and edge connections

CM8 8 fl oz / 236 ml liquid squeeze bottle
CM1 1 gal / 3.7 L liquid



### Chemask<sup>®</sup> NA — Non-Ammoniated

High temperature, peelable, temporary mask safe for use on sensitive metals

- Will not affect gold, copper, nickel, silver and OSP finishes
- For lead-free or tin/lead processes
- Stable to 550°F (288°C)
- $\blacksquare$  Phthalate-free, low toxicity and environmentally safe
- Compatible with rosin, no-clean and water soluble flux types
- Dries tack free in 15 minutes
- Can be placed directly into pre-heat oven without waiting
- Removes easily and leaves no residue
- Non-contaminating, non-staining and noncorrosive

#### Applications:

- Engineered for use with bare copper, silver and other reactive metals
- Ideal for SMT applications
- **CNA8** 8 fl oz / 236 ml liquid squeeze bottle
- CNA1 1 gal / 3.7 L liquid

### **Chemask® LF — Lead-Free**

High temperature, peelable temporary mask ideal for lead-free applications

- Formulated for use with lead-free applications
- Can also be used with tin/lead solders
- Usable within five minutes of application with preheat cycles
- Provides short-term high temperature protection up to 550°F (288°C)

#### Applications:

- Engineered for high temperature lead-free applications
- Easily peeled off boards

CLF8	8 fl oz / 236 ml liquid squeeze bottle
CLF1	1 gal / 3.7 L liquid

## **Chemask® HT**

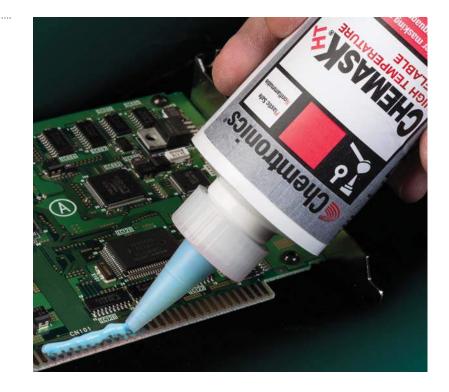
High temperature, peelable, temporary mask safe for use on sensitive metals

- Stable to 550°F (288°C)
- Stable at long temperature exposure up to 300°F
- For lead-free or tin/lead processes
- Phthalate-free, low toxicity and environmentally safe
- Compatible with rosin, water soluble fluxes and cleaning solvents
- Dries tack free in 15 minutes
- Goes straight into the pre-heat oven
- Removes easily and leaves no residue
- $\blacksquare$  Non-contaminating, non-staining and non-corrosive
- Compatible with gold, copper, nickel, silver and OSP finishes

### Applications:

- Protects component-free areas during wave and reflow soldering
- Protects components and pin connectors
- Protects temperature sensitive components during wave or reflow soldering

CMHT8 CMHT1 8 fl oz / 236 ml liquid squeeze bottle 1 gal / 3.7 L liquid



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Chemask <sup>®</sup> Peelable	Pink	1	4	Yes	NR	15 min.	30 min.	NA	All types	All types
Chemask® NA Non-Ammoniated	Green	2	1	No	Yes	15 min.	30 min.	Yes; can be placed directly into preheat	All types	All types
Chemask® LF Lead-Free	Pink	1	1	Yes	NR	15 min.	30 min.	Yes; 4 min. full cure	All types	All types
Chemask® HT Peelable	Green	1	1	No	Yes	15 min.	30 min.	Yes; 4 min. full cure	All types	All types
Chemask <sup>®</sup> HV High Viscosity	Pink	1	4	Yes	NR	15 min.	30 min.	Yes; 4 min. full cure	All types	All types
Chemask® Aqua Water Soluble	Orange	3	1	No	Yes	30 min.	60 min.	NA	All types	Remove with water and water-based cleaners
Chemask® WF Water Filterable	White	NA	1	No	Yes	30 min.	60 min.	NA	Not compatible with water-based flux	Remove with water and water-based cleaners
Chemask® W Water Soluble	Blue	4	2	No	Yes	30 min.	60 min.	NA	All types	Remove with alcohol, ketone, water and water-based cleaners
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## Chemask<sup>®</sup> HV — High Viscosity

High viscosity, peelable temporary solder masking agent

- Usable within five minutes of application with preheat cycle
- More controlled application
- Thicker coating does not seep through thru-holes
- Latex material is compatible with all flux systems and stable with cleaning solvents

## Applications:

- Ideal for all thru-hole manufacturing applications
- Use as a protective mask during conformal coating process for: switches, pins, posts, contact and edge connections
- CHV8 8 fl oz / 236 ml liquid squeeze bottle

## **Chemask®** Aqua

High temperature, water soluble, temporary mask safe for use on component-free areas

- Protects boards from molten solder to 515°F (268°C)
- Prolongs deionized water system life
- Low foaming
- Compatible with most flux types
- Leaves no corrosive residue
- Does not contain Methanol
- Non-contaminating

### Applications:

During wave soldering, Chemask® Aqua Solder Masking Agent protects:

- Component free areas
- Gold connectors
- Gold fingers

CMAQ8

- Pin connectors
- CMAQ1 1 gal / 3.7 L liquid **Application Removal Methods** Methods Automated Depenset Hand Dispenser Water Washable WaterWashab 1000 Peelable Stencils Screens Yes Yes No No Yes No No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No No No Yes No No Yes No No Yes Yes No Yes Yes No No Yes No Yes No No No No Yes Yes Yes Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No Yes No

## Chemask<sup>®</sup> WF — Water Filterable

### Low-foaming, water filterable temporary solder masking agent

- Easily removed in water cleaning cycles
- Does not coat filtration equipment
- Noncorrosive; safe for sensitive contacts
- Removed with inexpensive filters, increasing the life span of activated carbon/resin beds
- US Patent Number 6,207,265

### Applications:

- Ideal for use with closed loop cleaning systems
- Increases productivity by reducing cleaning system maintenance
- Short-term high-temperature protection from molten solder to 515°F (268°C)

CWF8	8 fl oz / 236 ml liquid squeeze bottle
CWF1	1 gal / 3.7 L liquid

## Chemask<sup>®</sup> W — Water Soluble

- Water soluble temporary solder masking agent
- Dissolves in water cleaning cycles
- Noncorrosive; safe for sensitive gold, silver and copper

### Applications:

Can be used as a water soluble tacking compound

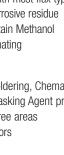
CW8 8 fl oz / 236 ml liquid squeeze bottle



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8 fl oz / 236 ml liquid squeeze bottle



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