SCHOTT Glass and Glass-Ceramic Sealants for Technical Ceramics in High-Temperature Applications

Product Information
Aluminum oxide, zirconium oxide and silicon carbide have high temperature resistance. Hence, these ceramics are commonly used in high-temperature sensor applications such as in the combustion chamber or exhaust track of automobiles.

SCHOTT has developed special glasses and glass-ceramics for the joining of these technical ceramics. The sealants are stable at elevated temperatures and are chemically resistant, thereby contributing to the stability of the ceramic applications over an extended period of time.

Advantages
• CTE-matched sealing glasses for Al₂O₃, ZrO₂ and SiC substrates
• Sealing glasses are available for operating temperatures in the range 530 – 1040 °C and CTE in the range 4.6 – 10.1 10⁻⁶/K
• Seals can be achieved through conventional heating (in furnace) as well as through laser welding
• Glass sealants have excellent electrical insulation
• Sealants are available in powder, paste and preform formats

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<th>Sealing Partner</th>
<th>SCHOTT Glass Number</th>
<th>CTE* (10⁻⁶/K for 200 – 300 °C)</th>
<th>Tg (°C)</th>
<th>Sealing temperature (°C)</th>
<th>Maximum operating temperature (°C)</th>
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* CTE = coefficient of thermal expansion ** p.c. = partially crystalline
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SCHOTT sealants are available in 2 different states due to differences in the processing method:

1. Glassy seals
   **Advantage:** Short processing time

   ![Graph of Glassy Seals](image)

   * Only applicable through a fast heating and cooling program (e.g. laser welding).

2. Partially crystalline seals through an optimized heating and cooling program allowing for crystallization to take place.
   **Advantage:** Stable at higher operating temperatures

   ![Graph of Partially Crystalline Seals](image)

Sealing of the technical ceramic can be achieved through a conventional temperature program in a furnace or through laser welding.

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