FUSED SILICA (7980)

Description:

Corning's Fused Silica offers the same thermal, physical and mechanical properties which are typical of all fused silica, including being colorless and having excellent transmission in the UV. This material is ideal for optical reference flats, test plates, structural members and high temperature view ports where fused silica properties such as low CTE are desired. It is available in substrate and optical (higher homogeneity) grades.

Available Thicknesses: Wide variety - per quotation

Sheet Sizes: Up to about 18" x 25", depending on variables

(approx.)

Properties:

Refractive Index: $n_d (\lambda = 587.7 \text{ nm}) = 1.45846$

Dispersion:

 $v_{d} = 67.79$

Transmittance: (estimated at 2 mm thick)					
@185 nm	88.2%	@230 nm	91.1%	@390 nm	92.7%
@200 nm	89.4%	@310 nm	92%	400-1240 nm	92%+

Transmittance at varying levels from 1250 nm to 4400 nm

Thermal:

5.7 x 10 ⁻⁷ /°C
1.30 W/m°C
0.770 J/gm°C
7.5 x 10 ⁻³ cm ² /sec.
1585°C
1042°C
893°C

Electrical:

Dielectric Constant (25°C, 1 KHz)	~3.79

Dielectric Loss Factor (25°C, 1 KHz) ~0.00002

Homogeneity:

Substrate Grade Optical Grade F Not Specified

5x10⁻⁶ (higher grades available upon request)

Bubble Inclusion Class No. 0 upon request:

(Max. cross-section of any single bubble or inclusion = 0.004")

(Total cross-section of inclusions $/100 \text{ cm}^3 = 0.03 \text{ mm}^2$)

Physical:

Density	2.201 gm/cm ³
Elastic (Young's) modulus	72.7 GPa @ 25°C

Applications:

Fused silica can be used where resistance to radiation darkening is required, such as in space or as long-term passive energy collectors.

Flatness, parallelism, cutting tolerances, roughness, cosmetic defects and visual inspection all conform to the specifications to be agreed upon by Precision Glass & Optics and the customer.

