



# Corning<sup>®</sup> Optical Grade Calcium Fluoride

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## Optical Grade (OptG CaF<sub>2</sub>) Data Sheet

High Quality Calcium Fluoride Optimized for Imaging Applications

Corning Advanced Optics is a trusted, leading supplier of calcium fluoride crystal materials. We have expanded our calcium fluoride portfolio to include Corning<sup>®</sup> Optical Grade Calcium Fluoride (OptG CaF<sub>2</sub>). Calcium Fluoride ingots are grown using Corning's proprietary highly purified material process, ensuring a consistent supply of high-quality single crystals. Corning<sup>®</sup> OptG CaF<sub>2</sub> is available as prefinished blanks or precision polished parts, meeting stringent optical requirements.

The following data applies to a typical sample of Corning<sup>®</sup> OptG CaF<sub>2</sub> :

### Key Attributes

Feature	Typical Capability*
Internal Transmittance	>99.8 %/cm @ 193 nm, >99.9 %/cm @ 248 nm
Refractive Index Homogeneity (P-V)	≤ 5 ppm to ≤ 2 ppm, [111], @ 633 nm
Stress Birefringence (P-V)	≤ 5 nm/cm to ≤ 2 nm/cm, [111], @ 592 nm
Bubbles/Inclusions	ISO 10110-3 1/2 x 0.063
Orientation	(111) ±3° typical, <i>others are available upon request</i>
Available Diameters	Up to 90 mm diameter, <i>others are available upon request</i>
Surface Finish	Saw cut, fine ground, or polished

\*Customized specifications are available upon request.

### Quality Grade Selection Chart

Optical Grade Material Classification	Refractive Index Homogeneity (ppm, P-V)	Stress Birefringence (nm/cm, P-V)
OP-5	≤ 5	≤ 5
OP-3	≤ 3	≤ 3
OP-2	≤ 2	≤ 2
OP-1	Additional data available upon request	

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## Physical and Chemical Properties

Molecular Weight	78.075 g/mol
Crystal Structure	Cubic, fluorite type, space group Fm3m
Lattice Constant	5.462 Angstroms
Cleavage Plane	(111)
Density	3.18 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25°C
Melting Point	1420°C
Thermal Conductivity	9.71 W/(mK) at 25°C
Dielectric Constant	6.76 at 1 MHz

## Mechanical and Elastic Properties

Young's Modulus (E)	146 GPa <100>, 89.6 GPa <111>
Shear Modulus (G)	60.4 GPa <100>
Bulk Modulus (K)	84.8 GPa
Poisson's Ratio	0.21 <100>
Elastic Compliance (x 10 <sup>-2</sup> /GPa)	S <sub>11</sub> = 0.6829 S <sub>12</sub> = -0.1448 S <sub>44</sub> = 2.9563
Elastic Stiffness (x 10 <sup>2</sup> GPa)	C <sub>11</sub> = 1.653 C <sub>12</sub> = 0.445 C <sub>44</sub> = 0.338
Knoop Hardness (200 gram load)	156 - 168 kg/mm <sup>2</sup> (111)

## Optical Properties

Transmission Range	0.12 μm to 9 μm
Energy Gap	10 eV
193 nm Absorption Coefficient (0 Fluence)	< 2E-3 cm <sup>-1</sup>
193 nm 2-Photon Absorption Coefficient	< 2.5E-9 cm/W
Photoelasticity (546.38 nm)	q <sub>11</sub> = -0.38 x 10 <sup>-12</sup> Pa <sup>-1</sup> q <sub>12</sub> = 1.15 x 10 <sup>-12</sup> Pa <sup>-1</sup> q <sub>44</sub> = 0.75 x 10 <sup>-12</sup> Pa <sup>-1</sup> (q <sub>11</sub> - q <sub>12</sub> ) = -1.53 x 10 <sup>-12</sup> Pa <sup>-1</sup>
Abbe Number (at 25°C)	V <sub>d</sub> = 95.22 V <sub>e</sub> = 94.68

## Linear Thermal Expansion Coefficient

Temperature	Coefficient [x 10 <sup>-6</sup> K <sup>-1</sup> ]
0 to 25 °C	18.5
25 to 50 °C	19.0
50 to 100 °C	19.6
100 to 150 °C	20.5
150 to 200 °C	21.6

## Polynomial Dispersion Formula

(relative, N<sub>2</sub>, 20-25 °C, 2326 nm - 185 nm)  
 $dn/dT = (C_0 + C_1\lambda^2 + C_2\lambda^{-2} + C_3\lambda^{-4} + C_4\lambda^{-6}) \times 10^{-6}$ , with  $\lambda$  in μm

C <sub>0</sub>	-1.059200E+01
C <sub>1</sub>	1.543519E-01
C <sub>2</sub>	1.515306E-01
C <sub>3</sub>	2.230264E-03
C <sub>4</sub>	4.820581E-05

## CaF<sub>2</sub> Refractive Index

Refractive Index of CaF<sub>2</sub> measured in 1 atm of N<sub>2</sub>

λ (nm)	Spectral Line	Measured 20 °C	Measured 25 °C	dn/dT x 10 <sup>-6</sup> K <sup>-1</sup>
2326.05		1.42213	1.42208	-9.6
1530.00		1.42614	1.42609	-10.4
1060.00		1.42853	1.42809	-10.2
852.34	[s]	1.43004	1.42999	-10.4
656.45	[C]	1.43247	1.43242	-10.2
644.03	[C']	1.43269	1.43264	-10.1
632.98		1.43290	1.43285	-10.1
592.00		1.43376	1.43371	-10.0
589.30	[D]	1.43382	1.43377	-10.0
587.60	[d]	1.43386	1.43381	-10.0
546.23	[e]	1.43495	1.43490	-9.6
486.30	[F]	1.43702	1.43698	-9.8
480.13	[F']	1.43728	1.43724	-9.8
435.96	[g]	1.43948	1.43943	-9.4
365.12	[i]	1.44490	1.44485	-9.6
334.24		1.44850	1.44845	-8.8
289.44		1.45618	1.45614	-8.4
253.73		1.46600	1.46596	-7.6
248.35		1.46792	1.46789	-7.3
228.87		1.47637	1.47634	-6.6
214.51		1.48457	1.48454	-5.6
206.27		1.49033	1.49030	-5.0
194.23		1.50061	1.50059	-3.8
193.37		1.50144	1.50143	-3.9
184.95		1.51066	1.51065	-3.2

## Sellmeier Dispersion Formula

(relative, N<sub>2</sub>, 2326 nm - 185 nm)  
 $n^2 - 1 = A_1\lambda^2 / (\lambda^2 - B_1) + A_2\lambda^2 / (\lambda^2 - B_2) + A_3\lambda^2 / (\lambda^2 - B_3) + A_4\lambda^2 / (\lambda^2 - B_4)$  with  $\lambda$  in μm

	Sellmeier Dispersion Coefficients (20 °C)	Sellmeier Dispersion Coefficients (25 °C)
A <sub>1</sub>	4.430595147E-01	4.463112200E-01
A <sub>2</sub>	4.454624348E-01	4.408035972E-01
A <sub>3</sub>	1.52595301E-01	1.515166998E-01
A <sub>4</sub>	8.859807728E+00	8.853841319E+00
B <sub>1</sub>	1.733873966E-03	1.752260093E-03
B <sub>2</sub>	7.938987382E-03	7.970736905E-03
B <sub>3</sub>	1.234337898E-02	1.231282897E-02
B <sub>4</sub>	2.751117861E+03	2.751117881E+03

## Internal Transmittance DUV-VIS-IR Region

