



Polyethylene Borlink™ LE0516

Crosslinkable Semiconductive Compound

Description

Borlink LE0516 is a crosslinkable black polyethylene compound, specially designed for semiconductive strippable insulation screen of energy cables.

Applications

Borlink LE0516 is designed for semiconductive strippable insulation screens in medium voltage cables.

Specifications

Borlink LE0516 meets the applicable requirements as below when processed using sound extrusion practices and testing procedures

AEIC CS8
ANSI/ICEA S-94-649
ANSI/ICEA S-97-682

ANSI/ICEA S-93-639
BS 6622
IEC 60502-2

Special features

Borlink LE0516 is a ready-to-use semiconductive compound. It provides very low strip forces when used over Borealis crosslinkable polyethylene insulation compounds.

The excellent distribution of carbon black and additives in Borlink LE0516 results in a smooth semiconductive screen.

Physical Properties

Property	Typical Value	Test Method
Data should not be used for specification work		
Density (23 °C)	1130 kg/m ³	ISO 1872-2/ISO 1183
Tensile Strain at Break (20 In/min) ¹	300 %	ISO 527
Tensile Strength (20 In/min) ¹	11 MPa	ISO 527
Tensile Strength Retention (168 h, 121 °C) ¹	> 75 %	ISO 527
Tensile Elongation After Ageing (168 h, 121 °C)	> 100 %	ISO 527
Brittleness temperature	< -35 °C	ASTM D 746

¹ Measured on crosslinked specimens

Electrical Properties

Property	Typical Value	Test Method
Data should not be used for specification work		
DC Volume Resistivity (23 °C)	< 50 Ohm.cm	ISO 3915
DC Volume Resistivity (90 °C)	< 500 Ohm.cm	ISO 3915

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Other properties

Property	Typical Value Data should not be used for specification work	Test Method
Cable Strip Force (90° peel)	2 - 5 kN/m	AEIC CS8

Processing Techniques

Borlink LE0516 provides excellent surface finish and outstanding output rates, when processing conditions are optimized for the actual processing equipment and cable dimensions. Optimal conditions may vary according to the equipment used.

The required extrusion melt temperature range is approximately 240 to 260°F (115 to 125°C). Lower melt temperatures may result in a poorly mixed, uneven extrudate and higher melt temperatures may result in extrudate pre-cure or scorch. The feed section of the extruder should be water cooled. The curing configuration should be carefully controlled, and the maximum cable surface temperature in the curing tube should be maintained below 280°C (535 °F).

To produce a good and reliable cable, it is essential to ensure careful and clean handling of semiconductive material. Hence all material handling should preferably be conducted in closed systems. Please contact your Borealis representative for more details.

Extrusion

Typical processing temperature ranges for Borlink LE0516 are shown below:

Hopper drying	40 °C	With dehumidified air
Melt temperature	115 - 125 °C	

Packaging

Package: Smallbins

Storage

Borlink LE0516 has a shelf life of 18 months from production date if stored in unopened original packages, under dry and clean conditions at temperatures between 10 - 30 °C (50 - 85 °F). It is suggested that first-in/first-out practices be followed.

More information on storage is found in our "Safety data sheet" / "Product safety information sheet" for this product.

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Borlink LE0516**Safety**

Please see our "Safety data sheet" / "Product safety information sheet" for details on various aspects of safety of the product. For more information, contact your Borealis representative.

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