

Technical Information



CALIBRE™ 503-5 TINT

Polycarbonate Resin

Overview

CALIBRE™ 503-5 tinted polycarbonate resin is specially designed for multi-wall sheet extrusion. Its high melt strength allows effective calibration of a wide range of multi-wall sheet structures from low to medium complexity, such as two to five wall sheets. CALIBRE 503-5 is specially designed to offer a significantly better sheet surface quality at higher line speeds than a standard linear polycarbonate resin such as CALIBRE 302-5, and has a reduced tendency to display chatter marks. CALIBRE 503-5 is UV stabilized but sheets for outdoor applications require a protective UV-absorbing cap layer. It is recommended to coextrude a 50 micron thick cap layer from CALIBRE 320UV.

Main Characteristics:

- High melt strength: production of low to medium complexity multi-wall sheets
- Improved sheet surface quality
- Excellent optical properties: reduction in chatter marks

Applications:

- Multi-wall sheet extrusion

Physical	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Density	1.20 g/cm ³	1.20 g/cm ³	ASTM D792 ISO 1183
Melt Mass-Flow Rate (MFR) (300°C/1.2 kg)	5.0 g/10 min	5.0 g/10 min	ASTM D1238 ISO 1133
Molding Shrinkage - Flow	5.0E-3 to 7.0E-3 in/in	0.50 to 0.70 %	ISO 294-4
Water Absorption			ISO 62
Saturation, 73°F (23°C)	0.32 %	0.32 %	
Equilibrium, 73°F (23°C), 50% RH	0.12 %	0.12 %	
Mechanical	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Tensile Modulus			
-- ¹	334000 psi	2300 MPa	ASTM D638
--	334000 psi	2300 MPa	ISO 527-1/1
Tensile Strength			
Yield ²	8700 psi	60.0 MPa	ASTM D638
Yield	8700 psi	60.0 MPa	ISO 527-2/50
Break ²	10400 psi	72.0 MPa	ASTM D638
Break	10400 psi	72.0 MPa	ISO 527-2/50
Tensile Elongation			
Yield ²	6.0 %	6.0 %	ASTM D638
Yield	6.0 %	6.0 %	ISO 527-2/50
Break ²	150 %	150 %	ASTM D638
Break	150 %	150 %	ISO 527-2/50
Flexural Modulus			
--	350000 psi	2410 MPa	ASTM D790
-- ³	348000 psi	2400 MPa	ISO 178
Flexural Strength			
--	14000 psi	96.5 MPa	ASTM D790
-- ³	14100 psi	97.0 MPa	ISO 178

Impact	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Charpy Notched Impact Strength			ISO 179/1eA
-22°F (-30°C)	6.7 ft-lb/in ²	14 kJ/m ²	
73°F (23°C)	29 ft-lb/in ²	60 kJ/m ²	
Notched Izod Impact			
73°F (23°C)	17 ft-lb/in	910 J/m	ASTM D256
73°F (23°C)	44 ft-lb/in ²	93 kJ/m ²	ISO 180/1A
Hardness	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Rockwell Hardness			ASTM D785
M-Scale	73	73	
R-Scale	118	118	
Thermal	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Deflection Temperature Under Load			
66 psi (0.45 MPa), Annealed	293 °F	145 °C	ASTM D648
66 psi (0.45 MPa), Annealed	295 °F	146 °C	ISO 75-2/B
264 psi (1.8 MPa), Unannealed	264 °F	129 °C	ASTM D648
264 psi (1.8 MPa), Unannealed	259 °F	126 °C	ISO 75-2/A
264 psi (1.8 MPa), Annealed	288 °F	142 °C	ASTM D648
264 psi (1.8 MPa), Annealed	289 °F	143 °C	ISO 75-2/A
Vicat Softening Temperature	304 °F	151 °C	ISO 306/B50 ASTM D1525 ⁴
CLTE - Flow (-40 to 176°F (-40 to 80°C))	3.8E-5 in/in/°F	6.8E-5 cm/cm/°C	ISO 11359-2
Electrical	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Dielectric Strength	430 V/mil	17 kV/mm	ASTM D149
Dissipation Factor			ASTM D150
50 Hz	1.0E-3	1.0E-3	
1 MHz	2.0E-3	2.0E-3	
Flammability	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Oxygen Index ⁵	26 %	26 %	ISO 4589-2
Optical	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Refractive Index	1.586	1.586	ISO 489
Light Transmittance	87.0 to 91.0 %	87.0 to 91.0 %	ASTM D1003
Haze	< 1.00 %	< 1.00 %	ASTM D1003
Injection	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	
Drying Temperature	248 °F	120 °C	
Drying Time	4.0 hr	4.0 hr	

Notes

These are typical properties only and are not to be construed as specifications. Users should confirm results by their own tests.

¹ 0.039 in/min (1.0 mm/min)

² 2.0 in/min (50 mm/min)

³ 0.079 in/min (2.0 mm/min)

⁴ Rate A (50°C/h), Loading 2 (50 N)

⁵ This rating not intended to reflect hazards presented by this or any other material under actual fire conditions.

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