

Texin[®] 260DE

Characterization

Texin 260DE resin is an aromatic polyester-based thermoplastic polyurethane with a Shore hardness of approximately 60D*.

Properties / Applications

Texin 260DE can be processed by injection molding, extrusion or blow molding and is characterized by a low gel content, good clarity and abrasion resistance, and very good chemical resistance to oils, solvents, and other non-aqueous solutions. Texin 260DE natural color resin complies with FDA food-contact regulations 21 CFR 177.1680 (Polyurethane Resins) and 177.2600 (Rubber Articles Intended for Repeated Use), subject to the limitations of these and any other applicable regulations. Texin 260DE has a wide processing window, which allows for ease of film and sheet production. Typical applications include belting, hose, cable jackets, hose jackets, athletic shoes, casters, mine screens, film, tubing and extended profiles. As with any product, use of Texin 260DE resin in a given application must be tested (including but not limited to field testing) in advance by the user to determine suitability.

Storage, Drying and Regrind Usage

Texin thermoplastic polyurethane resins are hygroscopic and will absorb ambient moisture. The resins should remain in their sealed containers and stored in a dry area. Storage temperatures should not exceed 86°F (30°C). Unused resin from opened containers, or reground material that is not to be used immediately, should also be stored in sealed containers under cool and dry conditions.

Prior to processing, Texin 260DE resin must be thoroughly dried for a minimum of 4 hours in a desiccant dehumidifying hopper dryer to a moisture content of less than 0.03%. Hopper inlet air temperature should be 200-220°F (93-104°C), the inlet air dew point should be -20°F (-29°C) or lower.

Where end-use requirements permit, up to 20% Texin resin regrind may be used with virgin material. Regrind material must be generated from properly molded/extruded parts, sprues, runners, trimmings, and/or films. Degraded or discolored material may not be used for regrind. All regrind material must be free of contamination and thoroughly blended with virgin material prior to drying and processing. Finish parts containing regrind must be tested to ensure that end-use requirements are fully met.

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Injection Molding, Extrusion and Blow Molding Conditions

Typical starting conditions for injection molding, are noted below. It is recommended that initial processing be done at the lower end of the suggested temperature ranges and increased as necessary. Actual processing conditions will depend on machine size, mold design, material residence time, shot size, part geometry, etc.

Typical Injection Molding Conditions

Barrel Temperature: Rear	405°–415°F (207°–213°C)
Barrel Temperature: Middle	410°–425°F (210°–218°C)
Barrel Temperature: Front	410°–425°F (210°–218°C)
Barrel Temperature: Nozzle	415°–430°F (213°–221°C)
Melt Temperature	415°–430°F (213°–221°C)
Mold Temperature	80°–120°F (27°–49°C)
Injection Pressure	10,000 - 15,000 psi
Hold Pressure	60 - 80% of Injection Pressure
Back Pressure	800 psi max.
Screw Speed	40 - 80 rpm
Injection Speed	Moderate
Cushion	1/8 in max

Extrusion and Blow Molding Profile

Typical Temperature Profile for Extrusion

Rear (Feed)	390° - 410°F (199° - 210°C)
Middle (Transition)	400° - 415°F (204° - 213°C)
Front (Meter)	400° - 415°F (204° - 213°C)
Die	400° - 415°F (204° - 213°C)
Melt	400° - 415°F (204° - 213°C)

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Typical Properties* for Natural Resin

Property	ASTM Test Method (Other)	Texin 260DE Resin U.S. Units	Texin 260DE Resin S.I. Units
General			
Specific Gravity	D 792 (ISO 1183)	1.23	1.23
Shore Hardness	D 2240 (ISO 868)	60D	60D
Taber Abrasion: H-18, 1,000-g Load, 1,000 Cycles	D 3489 (ISO 4649)	60 mg Loss	60 mg Loss
Mechanical			
Tensile Strength	D 412 (ISO 37)	6,500 lb/in ²	44.8 MPa
Tensile Stress at 100% Elongation	D 412 (ISO 37)	2,600 lb/in ²	17.9 MPa
Tensile Stress at 300% Elongation	D 412 (ISO 37)	4,700 lb/in ²	32.4 MPa
Ultimate Elongation	D 412 (ISO 37)	450%	450%
Flexural Modulus: 158°F (70°C) 73°F (23°C)	D 790 (ISO 178)	7,300 lb/in ² 24,000 lb/in ²	50.3 MPa 165.5 MPa
Tear Strength, Die C	D 624 (ISO 34)	1,140 lbf/in	200 kN/m
Compression Set (postcured): ^a 22 Hours at 158°F (70°C) 22 Hours at 73°F (23°C)	D 395-B (ISO 815)	43% 16%	43% 16%
Thermal			
Glass Transition Temperature (T _g)	(DSC) ^b	19°F	-9°C
Vicat Softening Temperature, Rate A	D 1525 (ISO 306)	250°F	121°C

* These items are provided as general information only. They are approximate values and are not part of the product specifications.

^a Postcured for 16 hours at 230°F (110°C).

^b DSC – Differential Scanning Calorimetry.



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Health and Safety Information

Appropriate literature has been assembled which provides information concerning the health and safety precautions that must be observed when handling this product. Before working with this product, you must read and become familiar with the available information on its risks, proper use, and handling. This cannot be overemphasized. Information is available in several forms, e.g., safety data sheets and product labels. For further information contact your Covestro LLC representative or the Product Safety and Regulatory Affairs Department in Pittsburgh, PA.

Regulatory Compliance Information

Some of the end uses of the products described in this bulletin must comply with applicable regulations, such as the FDA, NSF, USDA, and CPSC. If you have any questions on the regulatory status of these products, contact your Covestro representative or Regulatory Affairs Manager in Pittsburgh, PA.

Note

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