

XAREC[®] WA 550

Crystalline Polymers – 30% Glass Filled Polymer for Automotive and Industrial Applications

Properties ¹	Test Method	Value
Physical		
Density, g/cm ³	ISO 1183	1.27
Glass Content, %		30
Water Absorption at 24 hrs. 50%RH, %	ISO 62	0.01
Mold Shrinkage, flow direction, 2 mm, %	IDEMITSU ²	0.1 - 0.3
Mold Shrinkage, cross flow direction, 2 mm, %	IDEMITSU ²	0.3 - 0.6
Mechanical		
Tensile Strength at Break, MPa	ISO 527	135
Tensile Modulus, MPa	ISO 527	10,000
Tensile Elongation at Break, %	ISO 527	1.8
Flexural Strength, MPa	ISO 178	200
Flexural Modulus, MPa	ISO 178	9,800
Izod Impact	Notched at 23°C, kJ/m ²	12
	Unnotched at 23°C, kJ/m ²	39
Charpy Impact	Notched at 23°C, kJ/m ²	13
	Unnotched at 23°C, kJ/m ²	47
Thermal		
DTUL at 1.80 MPa, °C 80°C tool / 150 °C tool	ISO 75 A	240 / 250
DTUL at 0.45 MPa, °C 80°C tool / 150 °C tool	ISO 75 B	270 / 270
Coefficient of Linear Thermal Expansion		
Flow direction, -30 – 30°C, mm/mm/°C	TMA	20 x 10 ⁻⁶
Cross flow direction, -30 - 30°C, mm/mm/°C	TMA	44 x 10 ⁻⁶
Electrical		
Comparative Tracking Index, PLC level	IEC 60112, Solution A	1
Dielectric Constant	IEC 60250	3.1
Volume Resistivity, Ohm-cm	IEC 60093	> 1.0 x 10 ¹⁶
Dielectric Strength, kV/mm	ASTM D 149	25
Dissipation Factor	IEC 60250	0.001
High Voltage Arc Tracking Rate (HVTR), PLC level	UL 746A	0
Hot Wire Ignition (HWI), PLC level	UL 746A	
	@ 1.5 mm	1
@ 3.0 mm	1	
High Ampere Arc Resistance (HAI), PLC level	UL 746A	
	@ 1.5 mm	0
@ 3.0 mm	0	
Arc Resistance, PLC level	ASTM D495	5
Flammability		
Flammability, Rating	UL 94	HB
RTI, Electrical, Listing, °C	UL 746B	120
RTI, Mechanical with impact, Listing, °C	UL 746B	105
RTI, Mechanical without impact, Listing, °C	UL 746B	105
Processing		
Melt Temperature, °C		280 – 310
Mold Temperature, °C		50 – 80
	For optimal gloss and heat resistance	130 – 155
Pre-drying		120°C x3-5hrs ³

Data in this Catalogue shows sample figures measured under certain specific conditions. **Usage of products in this Catalogue does not warrant the successful results of applications of the product for specific usage.** Flammability rating in this Catalogue is not intended to reflect hazards presented by this or any other material under actual fire conditions. See "Handling Considerations" on next pages.

¹ All test samples molded with a 80°C tool temperature, except for DTUL samples where the results for both 80°C and 150°C are reported.

² Test conducted on 80 x 80 x 2mm injection molded specimen

³ XAREC[®] WA550 is non-hygroscopic. Thus pre-drying may not always be necessary. However, high humidity conditions or wide temperature fluctuation from cold to hot, may result in the generation of surface moisture on the pellets. Under these conditions pellet pre-drying at 120°C for 3-5hrs is recommended.

Product Information

Safety and Handling Consideration

Material Safety Data (MSD) sheets for XAREC[®] Crystalline Polymers are available from Idemitsu Kosan Co., Ltd. MSD sheets are provided to help customers satisfy their own handling, safety and disposal needs, and those that may be required by locally applicable health and safety regulations such as OSHA (USA), MAK (Germany) or WHMIS (Canada). MSD sheets are upgraded regularly, therefore, please request and review the most current MSD sheet before handling or using any product. The following comments are general and apply only to XAREC[®] Crystalline Polymers as supplied. Various additives and processing aids used in fabrication and other materials used in finishing steps have their own safe use profile and must be investigated separately.

Hazards and Handling Precautions

This resin contains glass fibers as a reinforcing component. XAREC[®] Crystalline Polymers have a very low degree of toxicity and under normal conditions of use should pose no unusual problems from ingestion, eye or skin contact. However, caution is advised when handling, storing, using or disposing of these resins and good housekeeping and controlling of dusts are necessary for safe handling of product. Workers should be protected from the possibility of contact with molten resin during fabrication. Handling and fabrication of plastic resins can result in the generation of vapors and dusts, including small particles of glass fibers. Dusts resulting from sawing, filing and sanding of plastic parts in post-molding operations may cause irritation to eyes and upper respiratory tract. In dusty atmospheres, use an approved dust respirator. Granules or beads may present a slipping hazard. Slight itching and irritation may result from skin contact. Repeated exposure to particles generated by grinding glass fiber-reinforced materials may result in implantation of particles in the skin. Good general ventilation of the polymer processing area is recommended. In addition, to accelerate cooling of large polymer masses, purge patties should be quenched in water. If quenching is not possible, purge patties should be removed from the general working area to a well-ventilated area to cool.

Processing may release fumes which may include polymer fragments and other decomposition products. Fumes can be irritating. At temperatures exceeding melt temperature, polymer fragments can occur. Good general ventilation should be sufficient for most conditions. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary for some operations. Use safety glasses. If there is a potential for exposure to particles which could cause mechanical injury to the eye, wear chemical goggles. If vapor exposure causes eye discomfort, use a full-face respirator. No other precautions other than clean body-covering clothing should be needed for handling XAREC[®] Crystalline Polymers. Use gloves with insulation for thermal protection, when needed.

Combustibility

XAREC[®] Crystalline Polymers will burn, and once ignited, may burn rapidly under the right conditions of heat and oxygen supply. Do not permit dust to accumulate. Dust layers can be ignited by spontaneous combustion or other ignition sources. When suspended in air, dust can pose an explosion hazard. Dense black smoke is produced when product burns. Toxic fumes are released in fire situations. Fire fighters should wear positive-pressure, self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective equipment. Water or water fog are the preferred extinguishing media. Foam, alcohol resistant foam, carbon dioxide, or dry chemicals may also be used. Soak thoroughly with water to cool and prevent re-ignition.

Disposal

DO NOT DUMP INTO ANY SEWERS, ON THE GROUND, OR INTO ANY BODY OF WATER. For unused or uncontaminated material, the preferred options include sending to a licensed recycler, re-claimer, incinerator or other thermal destruction device. For used or contaminated material, the disposal options remain the same, although additional evaluation is required (see, for example, in the USA 40 CFR, Part 261, "Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste"). All disposal methods must be in compliance with Federal, State/Provincial and local laws and regulations.

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Environment

Generally speaking, in the environment lost pellets are not a problem except under unusual circumstances – when they enter the marine environment. They are inert and benign in terms of their physical environmental impact, but if ingested by waterfowl or aquatic life, they may mechanically cause adverse effects. Spills should be minimized and they should be cleaned up when they happen. Plastics should not be discarded into the ocean or any other body of water.

Product Information

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