

Makrolon® 2556

Food contact grades / Medium viscosity

MFR 15 g/10 min; food contact quality; medium viscosity; easy release; injection molding - melt temperature 280 - 320 °C; available in transparent, translucent and opaque colors

ISO Shortname

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Property	Test Condition	Unit	Standard	typical Value
Rheological properties				
C Melt volume-flow rate	300 °C/ 1.2 kg	cm ³ /10 min	ISO 1133	15
C Molding shrinkage, parallel	60x60x2 mm/ 500 bar	%	ISO 294-4	0.65
C Molding shrinkage, normal	60x60x2 mm/ 500 bar	%	ISO 294-4	0.7
Molding shrinkage, parallel/normal	Value range based on general practical experience	%	b.o. ISO 2577	0.6 - 0.8
Melt mass-flow rate	300 °C/ 1.2 kg	g/10 min	ISO 1133	15.5
Mechanical properties (23 °C/50 % r. h.)				
C Tensile modulus	1 mm/min	MPa	ISO 527-1,-2	2400
C Yield stress	50 mm/min	MPa	ISO 527-1,-2	66
C Yield strain	50 mm/min	%	ISO 527-1,-2	6.1
C Nominal strain at break	50 mm/min	%	ISO 527-1,-2	> 50
Stress at break	50 mm/min	MPa	ISO 527-1,-2	70
Strain at break	50 mm/min	%	b.o. ISO 527-1,-2	120
C Tensile creep modulus	1 h	MPa	ISO 899-1	2200
C Tensile creep modulus	1000 h	MPa	ISO 899-1	1900
Flexural modulus	2 mm/min	MPa	ISO 178	2400
Flexural strength	2 mm/min	MPa	ISO 178	97
Flexural strain at flexural strength	2 mm/min	%	ISO 178	7.1
Flexural stress at 3.5 % strain	2 mm/min	MPa	ISO 178	73
C Charpy impact strength	23 °C	kJ/m ²	ISO 179-1eU	N
C Charpy impact strength	-30 °C	kJ/m ²	ISO 179-1eU	N
Charpy impact strength	-60 °C	kJ/m ²	ISO 179-1eU	N
Charpy notched impact strength	23 °C/ 3 mm	kJ/m ²	ISO 7391/b.o. ISO 179-1eA	70P
Charpy notched impact strength	-30 °C/ 3 mm	kJ/m ²	ISO 7391/b.o. ISO 179-1eA	16C
Izod notched impact strength	23 °C/ 3 mm	kJ/m ²	ISO 7391/b.o. ISO 180-A	65P
Izod notched impact strength	-30 °C/ 3 mm	kJ/m ²	ISO 7391/b.o. ISO 180-A	15C
C Puncture maximum force	23 °C	N	ISO 6603-2	5400
C Puncture maximum force	-30 °C	N	ISO 6603-2	6300
C Puncture energy	23 °C	J	ISO 6603-2	60
C Puncture energy	-30 °C	J	ISO 6603-2	65
Ball indentation hardness		N/mm ²	ISO 2039-1	115

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Thermal properties				
C Glass transition temperature	10 °C/min	°C	ISO 11357-1,-2	145
C Temperature of deflection under load	1.80 MPa	°C	ISO 75-1,-2	124
C Temperature of deflection under load	0.45 MPa	°C	ISO 75-1,-2	136
C Vicat softening temperature	50 N; 50 °C/h	°C	ISO 306	144
Vicat softening temperature	50 N; 120 °C/h	°C	ISO 306	145
C Coefficient of linear thermal expansion, parallel	23 to 55 °C	10 ⁻⁴ /K	ISO 11359-1,-2	0.65
C Coefficient of linear thermal expansion, transverse	23 to 55 °C	10 ⁻⁴ /K	ISO 11359-1,-2	0.65
C Burning behavior UL 94 (1.5 mm) [UL recognition]	1.5 mm	Class	UL 94	V-2
C Burning behavior UL 94 [UL recognition]	2.5 mm	Class	UL 94	HB
C Oxygen index	Method A	%	ISO 4589-2	27
Thermal conductivity, cross-flow	23 °C; 50 % r. h.	W/(m·K)	ISO 8302	0.20
Resistance to heat (ball pressure test)		°C	IEC 60695-10-2	136
Relative temperature index (Tensile strength) [UL recognition]	1.5 mm	°C	UL 746B	125
Relative temperature index (Tensile impact strength) [UL recognition]	1.5 mm	°C	UL 746B	115
Relative temperature index (Electric strength) [UL recognition]	1.5 mm	°C	UL 746B	125
Application of flame from small burner	Method K and F/ 2.0 mm	Class	DIN 53438-1,-3	K1, F1
Burning rate (US-FMVSS)	≥1.0 mm	mm/min	ISO 3795	passed
Flash ignition temperature		°C	ASTM D1929	480
Self ignition temperature		°C	ASTM D1929	550
Electrical properties (23 °C/50 % r. h.)				
C Relative permittivity	100 Hz	-	IEC 60250	3.1
C Relative permittivity	1 MHz	-	IEC 60250	3.0
C Dissipation factor	100 Hz	10 ⁻⁴	IEC 60250	5
C Dissipation factor	1 MHz	10 ⁻⁴	IEC 60250	90
C Volume resistivity		Ohm·m	IEC 60093	1E14
C Surface resistivity		Ohm	IEC 60093	1E16
C Electrical strength	1 mm	kV/mm	IEC 60243-1	34
C Comparative tracking index CTI	Solution A	Rating	IEC 60112	250
Comparative tracking index CTI M	Solution B	Rating	IEC 60112	125M
Electrolytic corrosion		Rating	IEC 60426	A1
Other properties (23 °C)				
C Water absorption (saturation value)	Water at 23 °C	%	ISO 62	0.30
C Water absorption (equilibrium value)	23 °C; 50 % r. h.	%	ISO 62	0.12
C Density		kg/m³	ISO 1183-1	1200
Water vapor permeability	23 °C; 85 % RH/ 100 µm film	g/(m²·24 h)	ISO 15106-1	15
Bulk density	Pellets	kg/m³	ISO 60	660
Material specific properties				
Refractive index	Procedure A	-	ISO 489	1.586
Haze for transparent materials	3 mm	%	ISO 14782	< 0.8
Luminous transmittance (clear transparent materials)	1 mm	%	ISO 13468-2	89
C Luminous transmittance (clear transparent materials)	2 mm	%	ISO 13468-2	89
Luminous transmittance (clear transparent materials)	3 mm	%	ISO 13468-2	88
Luminous transmittance (clear transparent materials)	4 mm	%	ISO 13468-2	87
Processing conditions for test specimens				
C Injection molding-Melt temperature		°C	ISO 294	290
C Injection molding-Mold temperature		°C	ISO 294	80
C Injection molding-Injection velocity		mm/s	ISO 294	200

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Recommended Processing and Drying Conditions				
Melt Temperatures		°C	-	280 - 320
Standard Melt Temperature		°C	-	300
Barrel Temperatures - Rear		°C	-	250 - 260
Barrel Temperatures - Middle		°C	-	270 - 280
Barrel Temperatures - Front		°C	-	280 - 290
Barrel Temperatures - Nozzle		°C	-	290 - 300
Mold Temperatures		°C	-	80 - 120
Hold Pressure (% of injection pressure)		%	-	50 - 75
Plastic Back Pressure (specific)		bar	-	50 - 150
Peripheral Screw Speed		m/s	-	0.05 - 0.2
Shot-to-Cylinder Size		%	-	30 - 70
Dry Air Drying Temperature		°C	-	120
Dry Air Drying Time		h	-	2-3
Moisture Content max. (%)		%	-	<= 0,02
Vent Depth		mm	-	0.025 - 0.075

C These property characteristics are taken from the CAMPUS plastics data bank and are based on the international catalogue of basic data for plastics according to ISO 10350.

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Typical value

These values are typical values only. Unless explicitly agreed in written form, they do not constitute a binding material specification or warranted values. Values may be affected by the design of the mold/die, the processing conditions and coloring/pigmentation of the product. Unless specified to the contrary, the property values given have been established on standardized test specimens at room temperature.

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Recommended Processing and Drying Conditions

Barrel temperatures are valid for a standard 3-zone barrel. Temperature set-up for different barrel types may change according to configuration. Values for hold pressure as percentage of injection pressure may vary depending on, amongst others, part geometry, injection molding machine and injection mold. Drying conditions are for dry air dryers only. Drying times and drying temperatures may differ depending on valid dryer type. Further information is provided by your local Covestro support as well as in the following brochures: Injection Molding of High Quality Molded Parts - Drying; Determining the Dryness of Makrolon by TVI Test; The fundamentals of shrinkage in thermoplastics; Shrinkage and deformation of glass fiber reinforced thermoplastics [...]. <https://www.plastics.covestro.com/Library/Overview.aspx>

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