

Technical Information



DOWLEX™ 2042N Polyethylene Resin

Overview

DOWLEX™ 2042N Polyethylene Resin is an ethylene/octene-1 copolymer suitable for the production of blown film requiring good tear strength and outstanding toughness with good stiffness and temperature resistance.

Main Characteristics:

- Blown film extrusion
- Pellet form

Complies with:

- U.S. FDA, 21 CFR 177.1520(c) 3.2a
- Canadian HPFB No Objection
- Consult the regulations for complete details.

Additive

- Antiblock: No
- Slip: No
- Processing Aid: No

Physical	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Density	0.930 g/cm ³	0.930 g/cm ³	ASTM D792
Base Density ¹	0.930 g/cm ³	0.930 g/cm ³	Dow Method
Melt Index (190°C/2.16 kg)	1.0 g/10 min	1.0 g/10 min	ASTM D1238
Mechanical	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Tensile Modulus - 2% Secant (Compression Molded)	49300 psi	340 MPa	ASTM D638
Films	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Film Thickness - Tested	0.98 mil	25 µm	
Film Puncture Energy (0.98 mil (25 µm))	8.85 in-lb	1.00 J	
Tensile Strength			ASTM D882
MD : Yield, 0.98 mil (25 µm)	2030 psi	14.0 MPa	
TD : Yield, 0.98 mil (25 µm)	2470 psi	17.0 MPa	
MD : Break, 0.98 mil (25 µm)	6090 psi	42.0 MPa	
TD : Break, 0.98 mil (25 µm)	5950 psi	41.0 MPa	
Tensile Elongation			ASTM D882
MD : Break, 0.98 mil (25 µm)	830 %	830 %	
TD : Break, 0.98 mil (25 µm)	1100 %	1100 %	
Dart Drop Impact (0.98 mil (25 µm))	90 g	90 g	ASTM D1709A
Elmendorf Tear Strength ²			ASTM D1922
MD : 0.98 mil (25 µm)	100 g	100 g	
TD : 0.98 mil (25 µm)	620 g	620 g	
Thermal	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Vicat Softening Temperature	244 °F	118 °C	ASTM D1525
Optical	Nominal Value (English)	Nominal Value (SI)	Test Method
Gloss (20°, 0.980 mil (24.9 µm))	30	30	ASTM D2457
Haze (0.980 mil (24.9 µm))	12.0 %	12.0 %	ASTM D1003

Extrusion Notes

Fabrication Conditions For Blown Film:

- Melt Temperature: 374 to 464°F (190 to 240°C)
- Blow-Up Ratio: 1.5 to 1



Notes

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

¹ Base density is estimated using the assumption that every 1000 ppm of antiblock in the finished product raises the density of the polymer by 0.0006 g/cm³. Base density is the estimated density of the polymer if it did not contain any antiblock.

² Method B



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