

PBT - Polybutylene Terephthalate (Polyester)

Facts:

PBT, Polybutylene Terephthalate (Polyester) is a semicrystalline engineering-grade thermoplastic that is part of the polyester family of resins.

Polyesters combine excellent mechanical, electrical and thermal properties, dimensional stability, good chemical and weathering resistance.

Polyesters can be used in highly stressed engineering parts in a wide variety of industrial areas. Its high stiffness and strength combined with good heat aging performance and chemical resistance allows it to replace some metal parts in automotive applications.

Applications:

Household appliances, food processor blades, vacuum cleaner parts, fans, hair dryer housings, fuse cases, key caps, connectors, fibre optic buffer tubing. Automotive grilles, body panels, wheel covers and components for doors and windows.

Limitations:

- Not suitable for hot water service
- Post-mould warpage and cracking is possible
- Slow cycle times
- Poor chemical resistance

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PBT, non-reinforced, injection molding, extrusion, food contact

ISO Shortname: ISO 7792-1-PBT, GR, 11-030

Property	Test Condition	Unit	Standard	guide value
Rheological properties				
C Melt volume-flow rate	250 °C; 2.16 kg	cm ³ /(10 min)	ISO 1133-1	16
C Molding shrinkage, parallel	60x60x2; 250 °C / WZ 80° C; 600 bar	%	ISO 294-4	1.8
C Molding shrinkage, transverse	60x60x2; 250 °C / WZ 80° C; 600 bar	%	ISO 294-4	1.8
Post- shrinkage, parallel	60x60x2; 120 °C; 4 h	%	ISO 294-4	0.3
Post- shrinkage, transverse	60x60x2; 120 °C; 4 h	%	ISO 294-4	0.3
Mechanical properties (23 °C/50 % r. h.)				
C Tensile modulus	1 mm/min	MPa	ISO 527-1,-2	2600
C Yield stress	50 mm/min	MPa	ISO 527-1,-2	60
C Yield strain	50 mm/min	%	ISO 527-1,-2	4.0
C Nominal strain at break	50 mm/min	%	ISO 527-1,-2	>15
C Tensile creep modulus	1 h	MPa	ISO 899-1	2200
C Tensile creep modulus	1000 h	MPa	ISO 899-1	1300
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	195
C Charpy notched impact strength	23 °C	kJ/m ²	ISO 179-1eA	< 10
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Izod impact strength	23 °C	kJ/m ²	ISO 180-1U	N
Izod impact strength	-30 °C	kJ/m ²	ISO 180-1U	200
Izod notched impact strength	23 °C	kJ/m ²	ISO 180-1A	< 10
Izod notched impact strength	-30 °C	kJ/m ²	ISO 180-1A	< 10
Izod notched impact strength	-40 °C	kJ/m ²	ISO 180-1A	< 10
Flexural modulus	2 mm/min	MPa	ISO 178-A	2600
Flexural strength	2 mm/min	MPa	ISO 178-A	85
Flexural strain at flexural strength	2 mm/min	%	ISO 178-A	6.0
Flexural stress at 3.5 % strain	2 mm/min	MPa	ISO 178-A	75
Energy to peak force	23 °C	Nm	acc. ISO 6603-2	120
Ball indentation hardness		N/mm ²	ISO 2039-1	120
Thermal properties				
C Melting temperature	10 °C/min	°C	ISO 11357-1,-3	225
C Temperature of deflection under load	1.80 MPa	°C	ISO 75-1,-2	55
C Temperature of deflection under load	0.45 MPa	°C	ISO 75-1,-2	150
C Temperature of deflection under load	8.00 MPa	°C	ISO 75-1,-2	45
Vicat softening temperature	50 N; 120 °C/h	°C	ISO 306	175
C Coefficient of linear thermal expansion, parallel	23 to 55 °C	10 ⁻⁴ /K	ISO 11359-1,-2	1.1
C Coefficient of linear thermal expansion, transverse	23 to 55 °C	10 ⁻⁴ /K	ISO 11359-1,-2	1.1



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Property	Test Condition	Unit	Standard	guide value
C Burning behavior UL 94 (1.6 mm)	1.6 mm	Class	UL 94	HB
C Burning behavior UL 94	0.8 mm	Class	UL 94	HB
C Oxygen index	Method A	%	ISO 4589-2	24
Thermal conductivity	23 °C	W/(m·K)	ISO 8302	0.25
Resistance to heat (ball pressure test)		°C	IEC 60695-10-2	190
Glow wire test (GWFI)	2.0 mm	°C	IEC 60695-2-12	750
Burning behavior US-FMVSS302			ISO 3795	passed
Electrical properties (23 °C/50 % r. h.)				
C Relative permittivity	100 Hz	-	IEC 60250	3.4
C Relative permittivity	1 MHz	-	IEC 60250	3.2
C Electric strength	1 mm	kV/mm	IEC 60243-1	27
C Comparative tracking index CTI	Solution A	V	IEC 60112	600
Electrolytic corrosion		Rating	IEC 60426	A 1
Other properties (23 °C)				
C Water absorption (Saturation value)	Water at 23 °C	%	ISO 62	0.5
C Water absorption (Equilibrium value)	23 °C; 50 % RH	%	ISO 62	0.2
C Density		kg/m ³	ISO 1183	1310
Bulk density		kg/m ³	ISO 60	800
Processing conditions for test specimens				
C Injection molding-Melt temperature		°C	ISO 294	250
C Injection molding-Mold temperature		°C	ISO 294	80
Processing recommendations				
Drying time circulating air dryer		h	-	4-8
Drying temperature circulating air dryer		°C	-	120
Residual moisture content		%	Acc. to Karl Fischer	0.00-0.02
Melt temperature (T _{min} - T _{max})		°C	-	250-260
Mold temperature		°C	-	80-100

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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