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VECTRA® E480I

Liquid Crystal Polymer

Easy flowing grade with very good heat resistance and mechanical properties with reduced warpage.

Product information

Resin Identification	LCP-GF40		ISO 1043
Part Marking Code	>LCP-GF40<		ISO 11469

Rheological properties

Molding shrinkage, parallel	0	%	ISO 294-4, 2577
Molding shrinkage, normal	0.7	%	ISO 294-4, 2577

Typical mechanical properties

Tensile modulus	2.47E6	psi	ISO 527-1/-2
Tensile stress at break, 5mm/min	19600	psi	ISO 527-1/-2
Tensile strain at break, 5mm/min	1.8	%	ISO 527-1/-2
Flexural modulus	2.32E6	psi	ISO 178
Flexural strength	29000	psi	ISO 178
Flexural strain at failure	1.8	%	ISO 178
Charpy notched impact strength, 23°C	16.6	ftlb/in²	ISO 179/1eA
Izod notched impact strength, 23°C	9.51	ftlb/in²	ISO 180/1A

Thermal properties

Melting temperature, 10°C/min	635	°F	ISO 11357-1/-3
Temperature of deflection under load, 1.8 MPa	509	°F	ISO 75-1/-2

Electrical properties

Relative permittivity, 1MHz	4		IEC 62631-2-1
Dissipation factor, 1MHz	290	E-4	IEC 62631-2-1
Volume resistivity	1E14	Ohm.m	IEC 62631-3-1
Surface resistivity	1E14	Ohm	IEC 62631-3-2
Electric strength	1070	kV/in	IEC 60243-1
Comparative tracking index	150		IEC 60112

Physical/Other properties

Density	0.0617	lb/in³	ISO 1183

Injection

Drying Recommended	yes	
Drying Temperature	302	°F
Drying Time, Dehumidified Dryer	4 - 6	h
Processing Moisture Content	≤0.01	%
Melt Temperature Optimum	644	°F
Min. melt temperature	635	°F
Max. melt temperature	653	°F
Max. screw tangential speed	0.2 - 0.3	m/s
Mold Temperature Optimum	212	°F
Min. mold temperature	176	°F

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Max. mold temperature	248	°F
Back pressure	435	psi
Ejection temperature	588	°F

Characteristics

Processing	Injection Molding
Special characteristics	Heat stabilized or stable to heat, Specialty appearance, High Flow, Low Warpage, Lead-free soldering resistant

Additional information

Injection molding

Preprocessing

Vectra resins are well known for their excellent thermal and hydrolytic stability. In order to ensure these properties are optimum, the resin should be dried correctly prior to processing. Vectra Ei-grades and Vectra V143XL should be dried at 150°C for a minimum of 6 hours or at 170°C for a minimum of 4 hours in a desiccant dryer.

Processing

A three-zone screw evenly divided into feed, compression, and metering zones is preferred. A higher percentage of feed flights may be needed for smaller machines: 1/2 feed, 1/4 compression, 1/4 metering.

Vectra LCPs are shear thinning, their melt viscosity decreases quickly as shear rate increases. For parts that are difficult to fill, the molder can increase the injection velocity to improve melt flow.

Processing Notes

Pre-Drying

VECTRA should in principle be predried. Because of the necessary low maximum residual moisture content the use of dry air dryers is recommended. The dew point should be =< - 40° C. The time between drying and processing should be as short as possible.

Storage

For subsequent storage of the material in the dryer until processed the temperature does not need to be lowered for grades A, B, C, D and V (<= 24 h).

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