CELCON® LW140-03 (PRELIMINARY)

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Celcon® LW140-03 is a low wear grade designed for gears and other low wear applications, especially where reducing noise and wear in low load-high velocity applications. Celcon® LW140-03 is an option where silicone or PTFE based wear resistant products are not acceptable.

Product information

Resin Identification	POM	ISO 1043
Part Marking Code	>POM<	ISO 11469

Rheological properties

Melt volume-flow rate	14.9	cm^3/10min	ISO 1133
Temperature	374	°F	
Load	4.76	lb	
Molding shrinkage, parallel	1.9	%	ISO 294-4, 2577
Molding shrinkage range, parallel	1.7 - 2.2	%	ISO 294-4, 2577
Molding shrinkage, normal	1.7	%	ISO 294-4, 2577
Molding shrinkage range, normal	1.4 - 2	%	ISO 294-4, 2577

Typical mechanical properties

Tensile modulus	360000	psi	ISO 527-1/-2
Tensile stress at yield, 50mm/min	8100	psi	ISO 527-1/-2
Tensile strain at yield, 50mm/min	7.7	%	ISO 527-1/-2
Tensile strain at break, 50mm/min	15	%	ISO 527-1/-2
Flexural modulus	376000	psi	ISO 178
Flexural stress at 3.5%	9910	psi	ISO 178
Charpy notched impact strength, 23°C	2.38	$ftlb/in^2$	ISO 179/1eA

Thermal properties

Melting temperature, 10°C/min	331	°F	ISO 11357-1/-3
Temperature of deflection under load, 1.8 MPa	190	°F	ISO 75-1/-2

Physical/Other properties

Density	0.0491	lb/in^3	ISO 1183

Characteristics

Processing	Injection Molding
Special characteristics	Low wear / Low friction

Additional information

Injection molding

Preprocessing

Drying is generally not required because Celcon® and Hostaform® acetal copolymers are not hydroscopic nor are they degraded by moisture during processing. Excessive moisture can lead to splay (silver streaking) in molded parts. For better uniformity in molding especially when using regrind or material that has been stored in containers open to the atmosphere, recommended drying conditions are 80 C (180 F) for 3hours. Desiccant hopper dryers are not required.

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Maximum water content = 0.35%

Processing

Standard reciprocating screw injection molding machines with a high compression screw (minimum 3:1 and preferably 4:1) and low back pressure (0.35 Mpa/50 PSI) are favored. Using a low compression screw (I.E. general purpose 2:1 compression ratio) can result in unmelted particles and poor melt homogeneity. Using a high back pressure to make up for a low compression ratio may lead to excessive shear heating and deterioration of the material.

Melt Temperature: Preferred range 182-199 C (360-390 F). Melt temperature should never exceed 230 C (450 F).

Mold Surface Temperature: Preferred range 82-93 C (180-200 F) especially with wall thickness less than 1.5 mm (0.060 in.). May require mold temperature as high as 120 C (250 F) to reproduce mold surface or to assure minimal molded in stress. Wall thickness greater than 3mm (1/8 in.) may use a cooler (65 C/150 F) mold surface temperature and wall thickness over 6mm (1/4 in.) may use a cold mold surface down to 25 C (80 F). In general, mold surface temperatures lower than 82 C (180 F) may hinder weld line formation and produce a hazy surface or a surface with flow lines, pits and other included defects that can hinder part performance.

Postprocessing

Postprocessing conditioning and moisturizing are not required. It may be necessary to fixture large or complicated parts with varying wall thickness to prevent warpage while cooling to ambient temperature.

Processing Notes

Pre-Drying

Drying is not normally required. If material has come in contact with moisture through improper storage or handling or through regrind use, drying may be necessary to prevent splay and odor problems.

The above data are preliminary and are subject to change as additional data are developed on subsequent lots.
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