

Technical Data Sheet

Eastman Tritan™ Copolyester LX500

Applications

- Bottles-fragrance pkg
- Bottles-skin care pkg
- Color cosmetics packaging
- Fragrance packaging
- Jars-skin care pkg
- Personal care & cosmetics packaging
- Personal care bottles

Key Attributes

- Ease of processing
- Excellent clarity
 - Fast drying times
- Good chemical resistance
- Good heat resistance
 - Outstanding impact resistance
- Quick cycle times

Product Description

Eastman Tritan™ LX500 is an amorphous copolyester specifically developed for use in blow molding applications for the cosmetic, fragrance, and personal care markets. Its most outstanding features are excellent toughness, hydrolytic stability, and heat and chemical resistance. In addition, this new generation copolyester offers excellent appearance and clarity.

Typical Properties

| Property ^a | Test Method ^b | Typical Value, Units ^c |
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| General Properties | | |
| Specific Gravity | D 792 | 1.18 |
| Mold Shrinkage | D 955 | 0.006 mm/mm (0.006 in./in.) |
| Mechanical Properties (ISO Method) | | |
| Tensile Strength @ Yield | ISO 527 | 45 MPa |
| Tensile Stress @ Break | ISO 527 | 51 MPa |
| Elongation @ Yield | ISO 527 | 7 % |
| Elongation @ Break | ISO 527 | 142 % |
| Tensile Modulus | ISO 527 | 1569 MPa |
| Flexural Modulus | ISO 178 | 1494 MPa |
| Flexural Strength | ISO 178 | 60 MPa |
| Izod Impact Strength, Notched | | |
| @ 23°C | ISO 180 | 78 kJ/m ² |
| @ -40°C | ISO 180 | 12 kJ/m ² |
| Mechanical Properties | | |
| Tensile Stress @ Yield | D 638 | 45 MPa (6500 psi) |
| Tensile Stress @ Break | D 638 | 52 MPa (7600 psi) |
| Elongation @ Yield | D 638 | 7 % |
| Elongation @ Break | D 638 | 139 % |
| Tensile Modulus | D 638 | 1609 MPa (2.3x10 ³ psi) |
| Flexural Modulus | D 790 | 1522 MPa (2.2x10 ³ psi) |
| Flexural Yield Strength | D 790 | 64 MPa (9300 psi) |
| Rockwell Hardness, R Scale | D 785 | 110 |
| Izod Impact Strength, Notched | | |
| @ 23°C (73°F) | D 256 | 842 J/m (15.8 ft·lbf/in.) |
| Impact Strength, Unnotched | | |
| @ 23°C (73°F) | D 4812 | NB |
| Impact Resistance (Puncture), Energy @ Max. Load | | |
| @ 0°C (32°F) | D 3763 | 65 J (48 ft·lbf) |

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| @ 23°C (73°F) | D 3763 | 62 J (46 ft·lbf) |
| @ -40°C (-40°F) | D 3763 | 67 J (49 ft·lbf) |
| Optical Properties | | |
| Total Transmittance | D 1003 | 91 % |
| Haze | D 1003 | <1 % |
| Thermal Properties | | |
| Deflection Temperature | | |
| @ 0.455 MPa (66 psi) | D 648 | 101°C-214°F |
| @ 1.82 MPa (264 psi) | D 648 | 85°C-185°F |
| Typical Processing Conditions | | |
| Drying Temperature | | 88°C-190°F |
| Drying Time | | 4-6 hrs |
| EBM Processing Melt Temperature | | 235-255 °C (455-490 °F) |
| EBM Blow Mold Temperature | | 15-50 °C (60-122 °F) |
| ISBM Processing Melt Temperature | | 260-280 °C (500-536 °F) |
| ISBM Injection Mold Temperature | | 40-65 °C (104-149 °F) |
| ISBM Blow Mold Temperature | | 35-55 °C (95-131 °F) |

^a Unless noted otherwise, all tests are run at 23°C (73°F) and 50% relative humidity.

^b Unless noted otherwise, the test method is ASTM.

^c Units are in SI or US customary units.

Comments

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