Texin® 250DE

Characterization	Texin 250DE resin is an aromatic polyester-based thermoplastic polyurethane with a Shore hardness of approximately 50D. It is processed primarily by extrusion and blow molding but can also be used for injection molding.
Properties / Applications	Texin 250DE resin is characterized by a low gel content, good clarity, good abrasion resistance, and very good chemical resistance to oils, solvents, and other nonaqueous solutions. Texin 250DE natural color resin complies with FDA food-contact regulations 21 CFR 177.1680 (Polyurethane Resins) and 177.2600 (Rubber Articles Intended for Repeated Use), subject to the limitations of these and any other applicable regulations. A major feature of Texin 250DE resin is its wide processing window, which allows for ease of film and sheet production. Typical applications include belting, hose, cable jackets, hose jackets, athletic soles, film, tubing, and extruded profiles. As with any product, use of Texin 250DE resin in a given application must be tested (including field testing, etc.) in advance by the user to determine suitability.
Storage, Drying and Regrind Usage	Texin thermoplastic polyurethane resins are hygroscopic and will absorb ambient moisture. The resins should remain in their sealed containers and stored in a dry area. Storage temperatures should not exceed 86°F (30°C). Unused resin from opened containers, or reground material that is not to be used immediately, should also be stored in sealed containers under cool and dry conditions. Prior to processing, Texin 250DE resin must be thoroughly dried for a minimum of 4 hours in a desiccant dehumidifying hopper dryer to a moisture content of less than 0.03%. Hopper inlet air temperature should be 200-220°F (93-104°C), the inlet air dew point should be -20°F(-29°C) or lower. Where end-use requirements permit, up to 20% Texin resin regrind may be used with virgin material. Regrind material must be generated from properly molded/extruded parts, sprues, runners, trimmings, and/or films. Degraded or discolored material may not be used for regrind. All regrind material must be free of contamination and thoroughly blended with virgin material prior to drying and processing. Finished parts containing regrind must be tested to ensure that end-use requirements are fully met. The use of regrind material should be avoided entirely in those applications where resin properties equivalent to virgin material are required, including but not limited to color quality, impact strength, resin purity and/or load-bearing performance.

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Injection Molding, Extrusion and Blow Molding Conditions

Typical starting conditions for injection molding, extrusion and blow molding are noted below. Actual processing conditions will depend on machine size, mold design, material residence time, shot size, part geometry, etc.

Typical Injection Molding Conditions

Barrel Temperature: Rear	400°–420°F (204°–216°C)
Barrel Temperature: Middle	405°–425°F (207°–218°C)
Barrel Temperature: Front	405°–425°F (207°–218°C)
Barrel Temperature: Nozzle	410°–430°F (215°–221°C)
Melt Temperature	410°–430°F (215°–221°C)
Mold Temperature	70°–110°F (21°–43°C)
Injection Pressure	10,000 - 15,000 psi
Hold Pressure	60 - 80% of Injection Pressure
Back Pressure	800 psi max.
Screw Speed	40 - 80 rpm
Injection Speed	Slow to Moderate
Cushion	1/8 in max

Extrusion and Blow Molding Profile

Typical Temperature Profile for Extrusion and Blow Molding

Rear (Feed)	390° - 410°F (199° - 210°C)
Middle (Transition)	400° - 420°F (204° - 216°C)
Front (Meter)	400° - 420°F (204° - 216°C)
Die	400° - 420°F (204° - 216°C)
Melt	400° - 420°F (204° - 216°C)

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Typical Properties* for Natural Resin

Property	ASTM Test Method (Other)	Texin 250DE Resin U.S. Units	Texin 250DE Resin S.I. Units
General			
Specific Gravity	D 792 (ISO 1183)	1.22	1.22
Shore Hardness	D 2240 (ISO 868)	95A/50D	95A/50D
Taber Abrasion: H-18, 1,000-g Load, 1,000 Cycles	D 3489 (ISO 4649)	70 mg Loss	70 mg Loss
Bayshore Resilience	D 2632	25%	25%
Mold Shrinkage, 100-mil thickness	D 955 (ISO 2577)		
Flow Direction		0.008 in/in (mm/mm)	0.008 in/in (mm/mm)
Cross-Flow Direction		0.008 in/in (mm/mm)	0.008 in/in (mm/mm)
Mechanical			
Tensile Strength	D 412 (ISO 37)	6,700 lb/in^2	46.2 MPa
Tensile Stress at 100% Elongation	D 412 (ISO 37)	1,700 lb/in^2	11.7 MPa
Tensile Stress at 300% Elongation	D 412 (ISO 37)	4,600 lb/in^2	31.7 MPa
Ultimate Elongation	D 412 (ISO 37)	400%	400%
Flexural Modulus:	D 790 (ISO 178)		
158°F (70°C)		5,200 lb/in^2	36 MPa
73°F (23°C)		12,100 lb/in^2	83 MPa
Tear Strength, Die C	D 624 (ISO 34)	775 lbf/in	136 kN/m
Compression Set (postcured):[a]	D 395-B (ISO 815)		
22 Hours at 158°F (70°C)		35%	35%
22 Hours at 73°F (23°C)		15%	15%
Thermal			
Glass Transition Temperature (Tg)	(DMA)[b]	-4°F	-20°C
Vicat Softening Temperature, Rate A (0.125-in, 10N, 0.833°C/min)	D 1525 (ISO 306)	239°F	115°C

** These items are provided as general information only. They are approximate values and are not part of the product specifications.*

a Postcured for 16 hours at 230°F (110°C), not postcuring will result in lower values.

b DMA – Dynamic Mechanical Analysis

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