# Texin® 985AR

## Characterization

Texin 985AR resin is an aromatic polyether-based thermoplastic polyurethane; it can be processed by injection molding or extrusion.

## Properties / Applications

Texin 985AR resin offers outstanding abrasion resistance, impact strength, toughness, and flexibility. It also exhibits excellent hydrolytic stability. Texin 985AR 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 other applicable regulations. In addition, Texin 985AR natural color resin is listed under NSF standard 61 for use in potable water applications.

Applications include belting, hose, seals and gaskets, tubing, cable jackets, hose jackets, athletic soles, grips, mine screens, film, and extruded profiles. As with any product, use of Texin 985AR resin in a given application must be tested (including but not limited to field testing) 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 985AR 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 180°-200°F (82°-93°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. Finish parts containing regrind must be tested to ensure that end-use requirements are fully met.





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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

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| Barrel Temperature: Rear | 360°–390°F (182°–199°C) |
| Barrel Temperature: Middle | 360°–400°F (182°–204°C) |
| Barrel Temperature: Front | 360°–400°F (182°–204°C) |
| Barrel Temperature: Nozzle | 365°–405°F (185°–207°C) |
| Melt Temperature | 380°–410°F (193°–210°C) |
| Mold Temperature | 60°–110°F (15°–45°C) |
| Injection Pressure | 8,000 - 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

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|---|---|
| Rear (Feed) | 360° - 390°F (182° - 199°C) |
| Middle (Transition) | 360° - 400°F (182° - 204°C) |
| Front (Meter) | 370° - 400°F (188° - 204°C) |
| Die | 370° - 410°F (188° - 210°C) |
| Melt | 380° - 400°F (193° - 205°C) |

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**Typical Properties* for Natural Resin**

| Property | ASTM Test Method (Other) | Texin 985AR Resin U.S. Units | Texin 985AR Resin S.I. Units |
|---|---|---|---|
| **General** | | | |
| Specific Gravity | D 792 (ISO 1183) | 1.11 | 1.11 |
| Shore Hardness | D 2240 (ISO 868) | 85A | 85A |
| Taber Abrasion: H-18, 1,000-g Load, 1,000 Cycles | D 3489 (ISO 4649) | 16 mg Loss | 16 mg Loss |
| Bayshore Resilience | D 2632 | 50% | 50% |
| 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) | 5,600 $lb/in^2$ | 38.6 MPa |
| Tensile Stress at 100% Elongation | D 412 (ISO 37) | 800 $lb/in^2$ | 5.5 MPa |
| Tensile Stress at 300% Elongation | D 412 (ISO 37) | 1,400 $lb/in^2$ | 9.7 MPa |
| Ultimate Elongation | D 412 (ISO 37) | 590% | 590% |
| Flexural Modulus: | D 790 (ISO 178) | | |
| 158°F (70°C) | | 2,460 $lb/in^2$ | 1 MPa |
| 73°F (23°C) | | 3,840 $lb/in^2$ | 26.5 MPa |
| -22°F (-30°C) | | 26,750 $lb/in^2$ | 184.5 MPa |
| Tear Strength, Die C | D 624 (ISO 34) | 450 lbf/in | 78.9 kN/m |
| Compression Set (postcured):[a] | D 395-B (ISO 815) | | |
| 22 Hours at 158°F (70°C) | | 41% | 41% |
| 22 Hours at 73°F (23°C) | | 15% | 15% |
| **Thermal** | | | |
| Glass Transition Temperature (Tg) | (DMA)[b] | -49°F | -45°C |
| Vicat Softening Temperature, Rate A | D 1525 (ISO 306) | 189°F | 87°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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