

Polypropylene

RA7050

Polypropylene Random Copolymer for Pipe Applications

Description

RA7050 is a polypropylene-random-copolymer with a special crystallinity (PP-RCT) brought by beta-nucleation which exhibits an improved pressure resistance and chlorination resistance, especially at elevated temperatures, green in colour.

Ready compounded material in pellet form for maximum quality control. The colour of RA7050 is grey, similar to RAL 7042 (but not equivalent).

Applications

RA7050 is intended for following applications:

Co-extrusion of layers for pressure pipes	Industrial applications
District heating	Plumbing
Drinking water	Pressure pipes
Heating	

Specifications

EN ISO 15874
ASTM F876, Class 3

Physical properties

Property	Typical value *	Unit	Test method
Melt flow rate (230 °C/2.16 kg)	0.25	g/10min	ISO 1133-1
Tensile modulus	850	MPa	ISO 527-2
Tensile strain at yield	10	%	ISO 527-2
Tensile stress at yield	25	MPa	ISO 527-2
Charpy impact strength, notched (23 °C)	40	kJ/m ²	ISO 179-1/1eA
Charpy impact strength, notched (0 °C)	4	kJ/m ²	ISO 179-1/1eA

* Data should not be used for specification work

Processing techniques

The actual conditions will depend on the type of equipment used. In order to avoid the manufacture of pipes that show a brittle behaviour at the freezing temperature, the following recommendations are to be followed.

It is essential that the melt temperature of the material leaving the die head lies between 220 - 230°C. This is usually achieved by setting the extruder cylinder temperatures in the range of 215 - 230°C and the tool temperatures in the range of 220 - 230°C. The specified melt temperature range provides a homogeneously and thoroughly molten polymer, a prerequisite to achieve an optimum crystal structure.

Furthermore, the defined melt temperature level results in a favourable heat transfer rate for the development of the right form and degree of crystallinity. In addition to the appropriate extruder settings, the impact performance can further be enhanced by an arrangement of cooling tanks that allow for an in-line annealing or by a post-extrusion annealing process. The above mentioned processing technique and set-up depends, however, on the type of equipment used. More specific recommendations for processing conditions can be determined only when the application and type of equipment are known. Please contact your local Borealis representative for such particulars. The product data sheet does not release customers from their liability to check that delivered material is fit for purpose and application.

Packaging and storage

RA7050 should be stored in dry conditions at temperatures below 50°C and protected from UV-light. Improper storage can initiate degradation, which can result in odour generation and colour changes and can have negative effects on the physical properties of this product. Following aforementioned conditions the material can safely be stored for a period of up to 2 years after production.

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