

Daikin Neoflon® ETFE

Product Information Guide

Daikin ETFE is a copolymer of tetrafluoroethylene (TFE) and ethylene. Daikin Neoflon® ETFE consists of carbon, hydrogen, and fluorine atoms. Daikin ETFE has a lower melt viscosity than PTFE and can be processed like other thermoplastic resins by melt processing techniques such as extrusion, transfer molding, injection molding and compression molding. The ETFE polymer can also be crosslinked to provide improved heat resistance and mechanical properties.

Pellets

Due to its excellent melt flow properties, Daikin ETFE can be processed in the same way as other thermoplastic resins. Daikin ETFE is also highly suited to such secondary processes as welding and flaringpost-forming.

| Property | Test Method | EP-506 | EP-521 | EP-526 | EP-541 | EP-546 | EP-610 | EP-620 | EP-7000 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Bulk Density (g/l) | | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 | 1000 |
| Specific Gravity | ASTM D790 | 1.72-1.76 | 1.72-1.76 | 1.72-1.76 | 1.72-1.76 | 1.72-1.76 | 1.83-1.88 | 1.83-1.88 | 1.72-1.76 |
| Melt Flow Rate (g/10min) | ASTM D2116 | 30-40 | 8.1-16.0 | 9.0-15.0 | 4.0-8.0 | 4.0-8.9 | 28-33 | 9-18 | 15.0-25.0 |
| Melting Point °C | ASTM D2116 | 249-259 | 260-270 | 249-259 | 260-270 | 249-259 | 218-228 | 218-228 | 251-259 |
| Continuous Service Temperature (°C) | | 150 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 150 |

Mechanical

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| Tensile Strength (MPa), min | ASTM D638 | 39 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 28 | 28 | 30 |
| Elongation (%), min | ASTM D2116 | 350 | 350 | 350 | 350 | 350 | 300 | 300 | 350 |
| Compressive Strength (MPa) | ASTM D695 1% Deformation, 25°C | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 10.7 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 10.7 |
| MIT Flex, cycles | ASTM D2176 | 13,000 | 14,000 | 24,000 | 18,000 | 79,000 | 100,000 | 600,000 | 8,500 |

Electrical

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Dielectric Breakdown Strength (V/mil) | ASTM D150 Short time 1/8 in | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 | 400 |
| Volume Resistivity (Ohm-cm) | ASTM D257 | >10 ¹⁷ | >10 ¹⁷ | >10 ¹⁷ | >10 ¹⁷ | >10 ¹⁷ | >10 ¹⁷ | >10 ¹⁷ | >10 ¹⁷ |
| Dielectric Constant | ASTM D150 10 ³ | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| | 10 ⁶ | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| Dielectric Dissipation Factor | ASTM D150 10 ³ | 8x10 ⁻⁴ | 8x10 ⁻⁴ | 8x10 ⁻⁴ | 8x10 ⁻⁴ | 8x10 ⁻⁴ | 8x10 ⁻⁴ | 8x10 ⁻⁴ | 8x10 ⁻⁴ |
| | 10 ⁶ | 5x10 ⁻³ | 5x10 ⁻³ | 5x10 ⁻³ | 5x10 ⁻³ | 5x10 ⁻³ | 5x10 ⁻³ | 5x10 ⁻³ | 5x10 ⁻³ |

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| Combustibility(%) | ASTM D2863/ Oxygen Concentration Index | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 50 | 50 | 31 |
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| Process Methods | | Extrusion Injection | Extrusion Injection | Extrusion Injection | Extrusion Injection | Extrusion Injection | Extrusion Injection | Extrusion Injection | Extrusion |
| Uses | | Thin wall wire insulation, small parts, films, tubing | Thin wall wire insulation, small parts, films, tubing | Thin wall wire insulation, small parts, films, tubing | Heavy wall wire insulation, cable jacketing, valve fittings, pipes | Heavy wall wire insulation, cable jacketing, valve fittings, pipes | Wire insulation, electrical & electronic parts, containers, tubes | Wire insulation, cables, films, sheets | Automotive tubing: straight, convoluted mon-, & multilayer |

Polymer Processing of Daikin ETFE Pellets

The melting point of ETFE ranges from 220 to 265°C. Because of its relatively low melt viscosity, it can be processed at high shear rates without exhibiting melt fracture. Therefore, this resin can be molded into shapes relatively easily. ETFE can be molded by most of the conventional thermoplastic molding techniques.

Molding Machines

The molding machine should have all materials in contact with the molten resin made of a heat- and corrosion-resistant alloy. The equipment should have an exhaust duct installed right above the die where molten resin comes out to remove any toxic fumes or gaseous products resulting from thermal decomposition.

Coating Powders

| Product No. | Color | Bulk Density | Description | Processing Methods |
|-------------|-------|--------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| EC-6500 | White | 650 | 0.3-1.0mm thickness | Electro-static spray coating |
| EC-6510 | White | 650 | 0.3-2.0mm thickness | Electro-static spray coating |
| EC-6520 | White | 550 | 0.1-0.3mm thickness | Electro-static spray coating |
| EC-6820 | White | 700 | 0.5-5.0mm thickness | Roto lining |

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|------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|
| EPW-1609BK | Black | 10-60μm thickness | Air spray coating |
| EPW-1605GN | Green | 10-60μm thickness | Air spray coating |
| EPW-1606BL | Blue | 10-60μm thickness | Air spray coating |

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Daikin Neoflon® ETFE Properties

Thermal Properties:

Daikin ETFE offers good heat resistance and is rated for a maximum service temperature of 150°C (302°F).

Chemical Properties:

Daikin ETFE provides excellent chemical and permeation resistance including exposure to weathering and UV radiation.

Electrical Properties:

A low dielectric constant and dissipation factor exist along with high dielectric strength over a wide range of frequencies and temperatures.

Low Friction:

Daikin ETFE offers low critical surface energy in addition to excellent water and oil repellency for non-stick and mold release applications.

High Transparency:

Products prepared from Daikin ETFE are transparent with good transmittance of both ultraviolet and visible wavelengths; low refractive index and characterized by very low light reflection.

Quality/Regulatory:

Daikin America's manufacturing facility is registered to ISO-9001 (Quality System), ISO-14001 (Environmental System) and Responsible Care 14001 (Safety, Health, Environment and Security).

Safety:

When ETFE resins are heated to temperatures above 200°C-260°C, some decomposition products may be given off. These decomposition products may be harmful, and inhalation of these fumes must be avoided. Ovens, process equipment and working area must be adequately ventilated. For further information, please refer to the material safety data sheet for these products and the *Guide to the Safe Handling of Fluoropolymer Resins* published by SPI Inc., The Society of Plastics Industry, Inc., 1801 K Street, NW, Suite 600K, Washington, DC, 20006-1301 (202-972-5200).

Medical Use:

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