# **AEI SX559:CM540U**

## Crosslinked Polyethylene

## **AEI Compounds Limited**

### Message:

Low-smoke, low-toxicity, halogen-free, flame-retardant, silane crosslinkable compound for low voltage insulation and sheathing of all types of cable This is a low smoke, low fume, fire retardant silane crosslinkable compound which can be processed as a thermoplastic at high output rates and cured post processing by exposure to moisture. The graft component SX559 is mixed with a crosslinking catalyst masterbatch CM540U generally in the ratio 95:5.

The compound combines good mechanical, electrical and fire retardant properties to meet demanding insulation specifications including BS7211. The compound can also be used for sheathing of cables requiring high fire retardance.

General Information					
Additive	Flame retardancy				
Features	Irritant gas low to no				
	Low smoke				
	Low toxicity				
	Crosslinkable				
	Halogen-free				
	Flame retardancy				
Uses	Flame Retardant Insulation				
	Flame Retardant Jacketing				
	Low voltage insulation				
	Cable sheath				
	Wire and cable applications				
Agency Ratings	BS 7211				
	EC 1907/2006 (REACH)				
RoHS Compliance	RoHS compliance				
Forms	Particle				
Processing Method	Extrusion				
Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Density	1.49	g/cm³	BS 2782 620A		
Melt Mass-Flow Rate (MFR) (190°C/2.16					
kg)	2.5	g/10 min	Internal method		
Mechanical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Tensile Stress	14.0	MPa	IEC 60811-1-1		
Tensile Strain (Break)	170	%	IEC 60811-1-1		
Aging	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Change in Tensile Strength (135°C, 168 hr)	20	%	IEC 60811-1-2		

Change in Tensile Strain at Break (135°C, 168 hr)	-15	%	IEC 60811-1-2
Thermal	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Deformation (100°C)	40	%	IEC 60811-3-1
Cold bending (-30°C)	pass		IEC 60811-1-4
Thermoset <sup>1</sup>			IEC 60811-2-1
Elongation under load, 20N/cm <sup>2</sup> : 200°C	30	%	IEC 60811-2-1
Permanent elongation after cooling	0.0	%	IEC 60811-2-1
Temperature index	> 300	°C	ISO 4589-3
Insulation Constant - Ki			IEC 60502
20°C	1.3E+12	ohms·cm	IEC 60502
90°C	5.0E+8	ohms·cm	IEC 60502
Conduction rate-of gases	13.0	μS/cm	IEC 60754-2
Corrosive gases in flue gas-pH	4.60		IEC 60754-2
Smoke Density		%	ASTM D2843
Halogen Acid Gas Evolution		%	IEC 60754-1
Head Temperature	190	°C	
Flammability	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Oxygen Index	36	%	ISO 4589-2
Additional Information	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method

Crosslinking & cure: A satisfactory cure can be obtained either by immersion in hot water or exposure to low pressure steam at a temperature up to 65°C

Extrusion	Nominal Value	Unit	
Cylinder Zone 1 Temp.	130	°C	
Cylinder Zone 2 Temp.	150	°C	
Cylinder Zone 3 Temp.	170	°C	
Cylinder Zone 4 Temp.	180	°C	
Die Temperature	190	°C	

#### Extrusion instructions

Many modern thermoplastic extruders will process the material although a screw designed to give good homogenisation without excessive shear (which could cause unacceptable increases in melt temperature) should be used. An extruder with an L/D ratio (length/diameter) of 15-24 and an extruder screw with a compression ratio 1.2:1 are recommended.

#### NOTE

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Cure assessment by hot set test (forced cured at 80°C in water)

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