

# Visico™ LE4423/LE4460/ LE4437

Polyethylene  
Borealis AG

Message:

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LE4423/LE4460/LE4437 is a natural, moisture-induced crosslinking polyethylene compound that is designed for use as low voltage wire insulation and jacketing. The combination of a VISICO LE4423 base resin, along with the LE4460 brominated flame retardant masterbatch and the LE4437 catalyst, provides a highly scorch retardant compound with excellent thermal stability and good retardant flame properties. LE4423/LE4460/LE4437 contains a patented scorch retardant additive (SRA) that increases the processing window for a moisture crosslinking compound and minimizes the tendency for premature crosslinking in the extruder, head or die.

A finished compound that is composed of 75 parts of LE4423 mixed with 20 parts of LE4460 and 5 parts of LE4437 is recognized by Underwriters Laboratories as VISICO HORIZONTAL. VISICO HORIZONTAL is designed to reduce normal PE flame spread characteristics and achieve an HB-1 flame rating on 14 AWG wires and larger. LE4437 also provides, in addition to catalyst, a stabilization package containing suitable antioxidants, a metal passivator and a metal deactivator. Properly mixed, during the extrusion process, LE4423/LE4460/LE4437 exhibits excellent thermal stability to oxidation. LE4423/LE4460/LE4437 is readily pigmented to a variety of colors using standard wire & cable color concentrates designed for thermoplastic or crosslinked polyethylene. UV wether resistance is obtained by the addition of a suitable carbon black or UV additive. Using Visico LE4432 in place of LE4437 combines a tin catalyst along with the proper carbon black to provide a black, UV resistant, moisture crosslinking cable insulation.

General Information			
Features	Flame Retardant		
	Good Thermal Stability		
	Good UV Resistance		
Uses	Cable Jacketing		
	Wire & Cable Applications		
	Wire Jacketing		
Agency Ratings	ASTM D 2655		
	CSA C-22.2 No. 1790-00		
	CSA C-22.2 No. 38		
	EC 502		
	HD 603 S1		
	NBN C 33-321		
	NF C 33-209		
	NF C 33-210		
Appearance	Black		
Processing Method	Extrusion		
Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Specific Gravity			ASTM D792
Base Resin	0.923	g/cm³	
-- 1	0.941	g/cm³	
-- 2	2.00	g/cm³	

Melt Mass-Flow Rate (MFR) (190°C/2.16 kg)	0.90	g/10 min	ASTM D1238
<b>Mechanical</b>	<b>Nominal Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Test Method</b>
Tensile Strength	16.5	MPa	ASTM D638
Tensile Elongation (Break)	300	%	ASTM D638
<b>Elastomers</b>	<b>Nominal Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Test Method</b>
Tensile Elongation (Break)	300	%	ASTM D412
<b>Aging</b>	<b>Nominal Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Test Method</b>
Mechanical Properties After Aging in Air Oven, 121°C, 168 hr (Change in Tensile Strength)	< -10	%	IEC 60811
<b>Thermal</b>	<b>Nominal Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Test Method</b>
Hot Creep <sup>3</sup>			ICEA T-28-562
Elongation under load : 150°C	< 50	%	
Permanent deformation	< 5.0	%	
Horizontal Flame Test <sup>4</sup>	Pass		
<b>Electrical</b>	<b>Nominal Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Test Method</b>
Volume Resistivity	1.0E+16	ohms·cm	ASTM D257
Dielectric Strength	> 22	kV/mm	ASTM D149
Dielectric Constant (60 Hz)	2.50		ASTM D150
Dissipation Factor (60 Hz)	5.0E-4		ASTM D150
<b>Extrusion</b>	<b>Nominal Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>	
Cylinder Zone 1 Temp.	146	°C	
Cylinder Zone 2 Temp.	155	°C	
Cylinder Zone 3 Temp.	163	°C	
Cylinder Zone 4 Temp.	177	°C	
Die Temperature	177	°C	
<b>NOTE</b>			
1.	Catalyst		
2.	Masterbatch		
3.	0.20 MPa		
4.	14 AMG-30 mil		

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