

Quadraflex™ ARE-80A

Thermoplastic Polyurethane Elastomer (Polyether)

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Message:

Quadraflex™ ARE-80A is high performance aromatic polyether thermoplastic polyurethane. The polymer is naturally clear and supplied in small pellets for ease of processing. The material exhibits excellent mechanical properties, oxidative stability, biocompatibility, elasticity, chemical resistance, high resiliency and softening at body temperature. The resin has consistent melt flow properties making it ideal for extrusion. Quadraflex™, Quadraflex™, Quadraflex™ and Quadraflex™ performance polymers are primarily used in life science and medical applications including vascular access devices, surgical supplies, respiratory devices, tracheotomy devices, and other medical applications. Typical end products include tubing, catheter parts, balloons, and various medical device components. These performance polymers are available in a variety of durometers, radiopacifiers, colors, and custom formulations.

| General Information | | | |
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| Features | Aroma | | |
| | High elasticity | | |
| | Antioxidation | | |
| | Workability, good | | |
| | Good liquidity | | |
| | Good chemical resistance | | |
| | Biocompatibility | | |
| | Elastic | | |
| Uses | Pipe fittings | | |
| | Surgical instruments | | |
| | Medical/nursing supplies | | |
| Appearance | Clear/transparent | | |
| Forms | Particle | | |
| Processing Method | Extrusion | | |
| | Injection molding | | |
| Physical | Nominal Value | Unit | Test Method |
| Specific Gravity | 1.12 | g/cm ³ | ASTM D792 |
| Melt Mass-Flow Rate (MFR) (190°C/2.16 kg) | 7.5 | g/10 min | ASTM D1238 |
| Molding Shrinkage - Flow | 0.60 - 1.0 | % | ASTM D955 |
| Hardness | Nominal Value | Unit | Test Method |
| Durometer Hardness (Shore A) | 80 | | ASTM D2240 |
| Elastomers | Nominal Value | Unit | Test Method |
| Tensile Stress | | | ASTM D412 |
| 100% strain | 5.52 | MPa | ASTM D412 |
| 300% strain | 8.96 | MPa | ASTM D412 |

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| Tensile Strength (Break) | 34.5 | MPa | ASTM D412 |
| Tensile Elongation (Break) | 550 | % | ASTM D412 |
| Thermoset | Nominal Value | Unit | |
| Post Cure Time (38°C) | 6.0 - 10 | hr | |
| Injection | Nominal Value | Unit | |
| Drying Temperature | 54.4 | °C | |
| Drying Time | 4.0 | hr | |
| Suggested Max Moisture | < 3.0E-3 | % | |
| Rear Temperature | 177 | °C | |
| Front Temperature | 191 | °C | |
| Nozzle Temperature | 196 | °C | |
| Processing (Melt) Temp | 204 | °C | |
| Mold Temperature | 4.44 - 32.2 | °C | |
| Injection Rate | Slow | | |
| Screw Compression Ratio | 2.5:1.0 - 3.5:1.0 | | |
| Injection instructions | | | |
| Injection Speed: 10 g/secCooling/Hold Time: Long, at least 50% of cycle (20 to 60 secs depending on thickness) | | | |
| Extrusion | Nominal Value | Unit | |
| Drying Temperature | 54.4 | °C | |
| Drying Time | 4.0 | hr | |
| Suggested Max Moisture | < 0.030 | % | |
| Cylinder Zone 1 Temp. | 171 | °C | |
| Cylinder Zone 2 Temp. | 182 | °C | |
| Cylinder Zone 3 Temp. | 188 | °C | |
| Cylinder Zone 4 Temp. | 193 | °C | |
| Melt Temperature | 193 | °C | |
| Die Temperature | 193 - 216 | °C | |
| Back Pressure | 6.89 - 12.4 | MPa | |
| Extrusion instructions | | | |
| Screen Pack: 250 meshScrew Speed: Low shear, 150 to 250 rpmWater Bath: 80 to 110°F | | | |

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