Mirel™ P1004/F1006

Polyhydroxyalkanoate

Metabolix

Message:

Mirel P1004 is a general purpose grade.

Mirel F1006 grade is FDA cleared for use in non-alcoholic food contact applications, from frozen food storage and microwave reheating to boiling water up to 212°F. FDA clearance includes products such as house-wares, cosmetics and medical packaging.

Mirel biopolymers are suitable for a wide range of injection molded food service and packaging applications including caps and closures, and disposable items such as forks, spoons, knives, tubs, trays, jars, and consumer product applications.

General Information					
Features	Comstable				
	Updatable resources				
	Good toughness				
	Biodegradable				
	Compliance of Food Exposure				
	General				
Uses	Shield				
	Food packaging				
	Food service sector				
	General				
	Shell				
	Consumer goods application field				
	Disposable tableware				
Agency Ratings	FDA Not Rated 2				
Forms	Particle				
Processing Method	Injection molding				
Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Specific Gravity	1.30	g/cm³	ASTM D792		
Molding Shrinkage - Flow	1.3 - 1.6	%	ASTM D955		
Mechanical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Tensile Modulus	1600	MPa	ASTM D638		
Tensile Strength (Yield)	24.0	MPa	ASTM D638		
Tensile Elongation (Break)	7.0	%	ASTM D638		
Flexural Modulus	1300	MPa	ASTM D790A		
Flexural Strength	33.0	MPa	ASTM D790A		
Impact	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Notched Izod Impact	31	J/m	ASTM D256A		
Thermal	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		

Deflection Temperature Under Load			ASTM D648B
0.45 MPa, not annealed	123	°C	ASTM D648B
1.8 MPa, not annealed	63.0	°C	ASTM D648B
Injection	Nominal Value	Unit	
Drying Temperature - Desiccant Dryer	80.0	°C	
Drying Time - Desiccant Dryer	2.0 - 4.0	hr	
Rear Temperature	175 - 180	°C	
Middle Temperature	170 - 175	°C	
Front Temperature	165 - 170	°C	
Nozzle Temperature	165 - 170	°C	
Processing (Melt) Temp	160 - 165	°C	
Mold Temperature	55.0 - 65.0	°C	
Back Pressure	< 3.45	MPa	
Screw Speed	< 200	rpm	
Screw Compression Ratio	2.2:1.0 to 2.6:1.0		
Injection instructions			

2nd Stage Pressure (Low): <30% of 1st Stage Pressure

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