

ENGAGE™ 8003 EL

Polyolefin Elastomer
The Dow Chemical Company

Message:

ENGAGE™ 8003 EL Polyolefin Elastomer is an ethylene-octene copolymer that has excellent flow characteristics and performs well in a wide variety of Wire & Cable elastomer applications. ENGAGE 8003 EL provides superb impact properties and also provides high filler loading capability and outstanding peroxide cure capability. When cross-linked by peroxide, silane, or irradiation, it gives exceptional heat aging, compression set, and weather resistance properties, and may be used to produce high performance electrical insulation and jacketing.

Main Characteristics:

- Pellet form
- Excellent flow characteristics
- High filler loading
- Peroxide, silane, and radiation curable
- Exceptional heat aging, compression set, and weather resistance when cured

Applications:

- Wire and cable
- Complies with:
 - EU, No 10/2011
 - Japan Hygienic Olefin and Styrene Plastics Association
 - NSF/ANSI Standard 51-Food Equipment Materials
 - U.S. FDA 21 CFR 177.1520(c)3.2c

General Information			
Uses	Blending		
	Building Wire Insulation		
	Building Wire Jacketing		
	Compounding		
	Low Voltage Insulation		
	Wire & Cable Applications		
Agency Ratings	EU No 10/2011		
	FDA 21 CFR 177.1520(c) 3.2c		
	JHOSPA Unspecified Rating		
	NSF Unspecified Rating		
Forms	Pellets		
Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Specific Gravity	0.885	g/cm ³	ASTM D792
Melt Mass-Flow Rate (MFR) (190°C/2.16 kg)	1.0	g/10 min	ASTM D1238
Mooney Viscosity (ML 1+4, 121°C)	22	MU	ASTM D1646
Hardness	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Durometer Hardness			ASTM D2240
Shore A, Compression Molded	84		
Shore D, Compression Molded	31		
Mechanical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method

Tensile Modulus - 100% Secant ¹ (Compression Molded)	4.80	MPa	ASTM D638
Tensile Strength ² (Break, Compression Molded)	18.2	MPa	ASTM D638
Tensile Elongation ³ (Break, Compression Molded)	640	%	ASTM D638
Flexural Modulus			ASTM D790
1% Secant : Compression Molded	33.7	MPa	
2% Secant : Compression Molded	32.6	MPa	
Elastomers	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Tear Strength ⁴	61.0	kN/m	ASTM D624
Thermal	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Glass Transition Temperature	-46.0	°C	Internal Method
Vicat Softening Temperature	63.0	°C	ASTM D1525
Melting Temperature (DSC) ⁵	77.0	°C	Internal Method
Peak Crystallization Temperature (DSC)	60.0	°C	Internal Method
NOTE			
1.	510 mm/min		
2.	510 mm/min		
3.	510 mm/min		
4.	Die C		
5.	10°C/min		

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