

# DuraForm® PA

Polyamide

3D Systems

Message:

Durable polyamide (nylon) material for real-world physical testing and functional use.

Applications

Complex, thin-wall ductwork

Functional prototypes that approach end-use performance properties

Appropriate for low-to-mid-volume rapid manufacturing

Medical applications requiring USP Class VI compliance, or biocompatibility

Motorsports

Aerospace

Housing and enclosures

Impellers and connectors

Consumer sporting goods

Vehicle dashboards and grilles

Snap-fit designs

Parts requiring machining or joining with adhesives

Features

Excellent surface resolution and feature detail

Easy-to-process

Compliant with USP Class VI testing

Compatible with autoclave sterilization

Good chemical resistance and low moisture absorption

Benefits

Nicely balanced mechanical properties and processability

Build prototypes that withstand functional testing

Produce durable end-use parts without tooling

Create accurate and repeatable parts as demanded by manufacturers

Machinable and paintable for demonstration parts

General Information	
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Features	Autoclave Sterilizable
	Biocompatible
	Durable
	Good Chemical Resistance
	Good Processability
	Good Surface Finish
	Low Moisture Absorption
	Machinable
	Paintable

Uses	Aerospace Applications
	Automotive Interior Trim
	Connectors
	Consumer Applications
	Housings
	Machine/Mechanical Parts

Medical/Healthcare Applications

Prototyping

Sporting Goods

Thin-walled Parts

Agency Ratings	USP Class VI		
Forms	Powder		
Processing Method	3D Printing, Laser Sintering/Melting		
Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Specific Gravity	1.00	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	ASTM D792
Water Absorption (24 hr)	0.070	%	ASTM D570
Hardness	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Durometer Hardness (Shore D)	73		ASTM D2240
Mechanical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Tensile Modulus	1590	MPa	ASTM D638
Tensile Strength (Ultimate)	43.0	MPa	ASTM D638
Tensile Elongation (Break)	14	%	ASTM D638
Flexural Modulus	1390	MPa	ASTM D790
Flexural Strength (Break)	48.0	MPa	ASTM D790
Impact	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Notched Izod Impact (23°C)	32	J/m	ASTM D256
Unnotched Izod Impact (23°C)	340	J/m	ASTM D256
Gardner Impact	2.70	J	ASTM D5420
Thermal	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Deflection Temperature Under Load			ASTM D648
0.45 MPa, Unannealed	180	°C	
1.8 MPa, Unannealed	95.0	°C	
CLTE - Flow			ASTM E831
0 to 50°C	8.3E-5	cm/cm/°C	
85 to 145°C	1.8E-4	cm/cm/°C	
Specific Heat	1640	J/kg/°C	ASTM E1269
Thermal Conductivity	0.70	W/m/K	ASTM E1225
Electrical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Surface Resistivity	7.0E+13	ohms	ASTM D257
Volume Resistivity	5.9E+13	ohms · cm	ASTM D257
Dielectric Strength	17	kV/mm	ASTM D149
Dielectric Constant (1 kHz)	2.73		ASTM D150
Dissipation Factor (1 kHz)	0.044		ASTM D150
Flammability	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Flame Rating	HB		UL 94

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