Visico™ LE4421/Ambicat™ LE4476

Crosslinked Polyethylene

Borealis AG

Message:

Visico LE4421 / Ambicat LE4476 is a silane crosslinkable natural compound designed for low voltage power cables up to 6kV.

The base material Visico LE4421 in combination with the catalyst masterbatch Ambicat LE4476 will accelerate the moisture-induced crosslinking reaction. The system is highly active and crosslinks quickly at ambient conditions, in sauna or in hot water.

When properly mixed, addition of 5 parts of Ambicat LE4476 to 95 parts of Visico LE4421, insulation with excellent thermo-oxidative stability, also in contact with copper as well as aluminium, is achieved. If the insulation is designed to meet the thermooxidative ageing demand requiring by IEC 60502 at 150°C in contact with copper, addition of 9 parts Ambicat LE4476 to Visico LE4421 is recommended.

Visico LE4421 / Ambicat LE4476 contains antioxidant, metal deactivator and a drying agent. Visico LE4421 contains a permanent scorch retardant additive, ensuring safe processing and enabling the use of highly active crosslinking catalyst.

Visico LE4421 / Ambicat LE4476 in combination meets the applicable requirements as below when processed using extrusion practice and testing procedure:

ASTM D 1248 Type I, Class A, Category 4

HD 603 S1

HD 604 S1

IEC 60502

NEMA WC 70

NEMA WC 71

The standards referred to above is a selection and is not complete coverage of all applicable standards. Contact your Borealis representative for additional information.

The base material Visico LE4421 in combination with the catalyst masterbatch Ambicat LE4476 is a ready-made two-component system which crosslinks quickly at ambient conditions, in sauna or in hot water. Visico LE4421 is based upon a cost optimised low density polyethylene, copolymerised with vinyl silane. The catalyst masterbatch, Ambicat LE4476, contains a novel, patented, environmentally friendly crosslinking catalyst and is completely free from heavy metals.

General Information			
Additive	Antioxidant		
	Metal Deactivator		
	Scorch Resistant		
Features	Antioxidant		
	Crosslinkable		
	Fast Cure		
	Good Processability		
	Good Surface Finish		
	Good Thermal Stability		
	Good UV Resistance		
	Good Weather Resistance		
	Low Density		
	Low Die Swell		
	Oxidation Resistant		
Uses	Cable Jacketing		
	Low Voltage Insulation		
	Power Cable Jacketing		

Agency Ratings	ASTM D 1248, I, Class A, Cat. 4		
	HD 603 S1		
	HD 604 S1		
	IEC 60502		
	NEMA WC-70 , WC-71		
Appearance	Natural Color		
Forms	Pellets		
Processing Method	Extrusion		
Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Density ¹	0.923	g/cm³	ISO 1183
Melt Mass-Flow Rate (MFR) (190°C/2.16			
kg)	1.0	g/10 min	ISO 1133
Environmental Stress-Cracking Resistance (50°C, 10% Igepal, F20)	> 96.0	hr	IEC 60811-4-1/B
Hardness	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Shore Hardness (Shore D, 1 sec)	52		ISO 868
Mechanical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Tensile Stress (Yield)	> 15.0	MPa	ISO 527-2/250
Tensile Strain (Break)	> 300	%	ISO 527-2/250
Aging	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Retention of Tensile Properties			IEC 60811-1-2
135°C ²	> 25	%	
150°C ³	> 30	%	
Hot Creep			IEC 60811-2-1
200°C ⁴	0.0	%	
200°C ⁵	60	%	
Crosslinking			
23°C, 700.0 μm ⁶	1.5	day	
23°C, 1.80 mm ⁷	6.0	day	
90°C, 700.0 μm ⁸	< 15.0	min	
90°C, 1.80 mm ⁹	1.00	hr	
Thermal	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Brittleness Temperature	< -76.0	°C	ASTM D746
Electrical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Volume Resistivity	1.0E+16	ohms·cm	IEC 60093
Electric Strength	> 22	kV/mm	IEC 60243-1
Dielectric Constant (50 Hz)	< 2.30		IEC 60250
Dissipation Factor (50 Hz)	< 5.0E-4		IEC 60250
Extrusion	Nominal Value	Unit	
Cylinder Zone 1 Temp.	150	°C	
Cylinder Zone 2 Temp.	170	°C	

Cylinder Zone 3 Temp.	170	°C			
Cylinder Zone 4 Temp.	170	°C			
Die Temperature	170	°C			
NOTE					
1.	Mixture 95:5, ISO 1872-2				
	Addition of 5% Catalys	, After			
2.	Ageing 240 h				
	Addition of 9% Catalys	, After			
3.	Ageing 168 h				
4.	Permanent deformation, 0.20 MPa				
5.	Elongation under load, 0.20 MPa				
6.	In air, 50 % humidity				
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8.	Sauna or water bath				
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