Westlake Ardel®

Polyarylate

Westlake Plastics Company

Message:

Stock shapes extruded from Ardel® resin are specifically formulated to endure the damaging effects of UV light. When exposed to UV light, this unique material undergoes a molecular rearrangement resulting in the formation of a protective layer that essentially serves as a UV stabilizer. This inherent UV stability combined with superior retention of optical and mechanical properties make polyarylate an ideal choice for any application where weathering effects could pose a problem.

Applications Include:

Semiconductor components

Solar energy components

Appliance parts

Snap lock connectors

Advantages of Ardel:

Exceptional UV stability

Transparency

Toughness

Excellent flexural fatigue resistance

General Information	
Features	Good Toughness
	Good UV Resistance
	Good Weather Resistance
	Opticals
Uses	Appliance Components
	Connectors
	Semiconductor Molding Compounds
Appearance	Amber
	Clear/Transparent
Forms	Film
	Rod
	Sheet
	Slab

Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Specific Gravity	1.21	g/cm³	ASTM D792
Water Absorption (24 hr)	0.26	%	ASTM D570
Hardness	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Rockwell Hardness (R-Scale)	125		ASTM D785
Mechanical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Tensile Strength (Yield)	68.9	MPa	ASTM D638

Tensile Elongation (Break)	60	%	ASTM D638
Flexural Modulus	2100	MPa	ASTM D790
Flexural Strength (Yield)	84.1	MPa	ASTM D790
Compressive Strength	84.1	MPa	ASTM D695
Impact	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Notched Izod Impact (23°C)	220	J/m	ASTM D256
Thermal	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Deflection Temperature Under Load (1.	8		
MPa, Unannealed)	175	°C	ASTM D648
CLTE - Flow	6.1E-5	cm/cm/°C	ASTM D696
Electrical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Volume Resistivity	2.0E+16	ohms·cm	ASTM D257
Dielectric Strength	39	kV/mm	ASTM D149
Dielectric Constant (1 MHz)	3.00		ASTM D150
Dissipation Factor (1 kHz)	0.015		ASTM D150
Flammability	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Flame Rating	V-2		UL 94
Optical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Transmittance (3000 μm)	87.0	%	ASTM D1003

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