

UNITREX® L

Polyetheretherketone

Nytec Plastics, Ltd.

Message:

Unitrex PEEK is a semi-crystalline high temperature thermoplastic that offers design engineers a truly unique combination of exceptional performance characteristics. When compared with other engineering polymers, this material ranks as the best or nearly the best in every performance category. Unitrex PEEK has a relative thermal index of 480°F and has a UL 94 flammability rating of V-0, with very low levels of smoke generation and toxic gas emission. Additionally, this material exhibits excellent electrical properties, which remain stable over a wide range of both temperatures and frequencies.

Unitrex PEEK is chemically resistant to a wide range of organic and inorganic liquids and is insoluble in all common solvents. In addition, it is unaffected by steam and hot water and has a very low moisture absorption rate. This material offers superior dimensional stability and machines easily. While unfilled Unitrex PEEK offers good wear resistance, Unitrex L has been reinforced with graphite and PTFE to provide an ideal combination of low friction and enhanced wear. For applications that require improved strength and stiffness, a 30% glass fiber filled grade is available (Unitrex Rg-30). Unfilled Unitrex PEEK stock shapes are light beige in color and are available from Nytec Plastics in a full range of heavy gauge rod, plate and tubular bar sizes.

PRODUCT ATTRIBUTES

480°F relative thermal index temperature

Excellent strength, rigidity and toughness, even at elevated temperatures

Chemically resistant to all common solvents

Low moisture absorption

Superior electrical properties

Exceptional dimensional stability

Rated UL V-0 with low smoke and toxic gas emissions

Easily machined and fabricated

FDA compliant

UNITREX Rg

30% Glass fiber filled grade for improved strength and stiffness

UNITREX L

Bearing and wear grade offers lower coefficient of friction and improved wear resistance

INDUSTRIES

Medical and pharmaceutical

Aircraft and aerospace

Fluid handling

Electrical and electronics manufacturing

Automotive and transportation

Petroleum industry

APPLICATIONS

Medical instruments

Analytical instrumentation

Semiconductor wafer handling components

Compressor components and seals

Pump wear rings

Bearings and bushings

General Information	
Additive	PTFE + Graphite Lubricant
Features	Good Chemical Resistance
	Good Dimensional Stability
	Good Electrical Properties
	Good Toughness
	Good Wear Resistance
	High Rigidity
	High Strength
	Low Friction

Low Moisture Absorption
 Low Smoke Emission
 Low Toxicity
 Lubricated
 Machinable
 Semi Crystalline

Uses	Automotive Applications Bearings Bushings Electrical/Electronic Applications Fluid Handling Medical Devices Medical/Healthcare Applications Pharmaceuticals Pump Parts Seals Semiconductor Molding Compounds
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Agency Ratings	FDA Unspecified Rating USDA Unspecified Approval
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Appearance	Beige
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Forms	Preformed Parts Rod
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Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Specific Gravity	1.44	g/cm ³	ASTM D792
Water Absorption			ASTM D570
24 hr	0.060	%	
Saturation	0.35	%	
Mechanical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Tensile Modulus	8270	MPa	ASTM D638
Tensile Strength (Yield)	141	MPa	ASTM D638
Tensile Elongation (Break)	2.5	%	ASTM D638
Flexural Modulus	8100	MPa	ASTM D790
Flexural Strength	210	MPa	ASTM D790
Compressive Strength	150	MPa	ASTM D695
Coefficient of Friction	0.17		Internal Method
Impact	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Notched Izod Impact	64	J/m	ASTM D256
Thermal	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method

Deflection Temperature Under Load (1.8 MPa, Unannealed)	> 293	°C	ASTM D648
Peak Melting Temperature	340	°C	ASTM D3418
CLTE - Flow	2.2E-5	cm/cm/°C	ASTM D696
RTI Elec	249	°C	UL 746
RTI Imp	249	°C	UL 746
RTI Str	249	°C	UL 746
Electrical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Volume Resistivity	> 1.2E+10	ohms·cm	ASTM D257
Flammability	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Flame Rating (3.18 mm)	V-0		UL 94

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