

# **TECHNICAL DATA SHEET**

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## SULAPAC FLOW 1.7 - EX1013.0NC

Sulapac Flow 1.7 is a sustainable solution for extrusion, thermoforming and injection molding. With outstanding functional properties it's ideal for thin-walled extrusion such as straws and thermoformed items, and flexible injection molded items.

| TYPICAL MATERIAL PROPERTIES  |            |  |
|--|------------|--|
|  | EX1013.0NC |  |
| PHYSICAL PROPERTIES  |            |  |
| Hardness (Shore D)   | 84         |  |
| Material density (g/cm³)   | 1,26       |  |
| TENSILE PROPERTIES (ISO 527-1)   |            |  |
| Tensile strength at yield (MPa)  | 35         |  |
| Tensile modulus (GPa)  | 2,1        |  |
| Tensile strain at yield (%)  | 3          |  |
| Tensile strain at break (%)  | 8          |  |
| FLEXURAL PROPERTIES (ISO 178)  |            |  |
| Flexural strength at max load (MPa)  | 54         |  |
| Flexural modulus (GPa)   | 2,4        |  |
| Flexural strain at max load (%)  | 4,5        |  |
| IMPACT PROPERTIES (Unnotched, ISO 179-1)   |            |  |
| Charpy impact strength (kJ/m²)   | 33         |  |
| RHEOLOGICAL PROPERTIES (ISO 1133) (190°C/2,16 kg)  |            |  |
| MFI (g/10min)  | 3          |  |
| HEAT RESISTANCE  |            |  |
| HDT-B (°C)   | 55         |  |
| BIOBASED CONTENT (ASTM D6866)  |            |  |
| Biobased content (%)   | 72         |  |
| MATERIAL COLOR   |            |  |
| Due to the natural origin of wood, color variation is possible both between and within material batches. |            |  |



| BARRIER PROPERTIES                                    |      |
|---|------|
| WVTR (23 °C/85%) (g/m²/day)                           | 3,1  |
| OTR (23 °C/0%) (cm <sup>3</sup> /m <sup>2</sup> /day) | 11,2 |

WVTR = water vapor transmission rate (ASTM F1249)
OTR = oxygen transmission rate (ASTM D3985)

### DRYING AND MASTERBATCH INSTRUCTIONS

#### **DRYING**

- Before processing, the granules should be dried using a dehumidifying dryer or a vacuum dryer
  - Dehumidifying dryer: the granules should be dried for at least 4-6 hours at 80 °C
  - Vacuum dryer: the granules should be first dried for at least 20 minutes at 80 °C
- The best end result will be achieved if the residual moisture of the granules is < 0,2 %</li>
- · After drying, avoid exposing the material to ambient conditions
- · Moisture content can lead to hydrolysis

#### **MASTERBATCH**

- Sulapac materials can be colored in the same way as conventional plastics. With Sulapac materials use color masterbatches with biodegradable carriers; PLA, PHA, PBAT, PBS. For further information, please see Sulapac color masterbatch guide.
- If color masterbatch is added, the granules should be cooled down to 50 °C in order to avoid the agglomeration of color masterbatch granules

#### **EXTRUSION - PROCESSING CONDITIONS**

#### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

- · Typical settings may require optimization
- · Avoid using temperatures above 200 °C in order to lower the risk of wood and polymer degradation
- The dwell time of the material shall be reduced to minimum in order to lower the risk of thermal degradation

#### **RECOMMENDED TEMPERATURES**

| Feed zone                 | 20 – 40 °C   |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Melting zone              | 165 – 185 °C |
| Mixing and convoying zone | 170 – 190 °C |
| Die                       | 180 – 190 °C |



### INJECTION MOLDING - PROCESSING CONDITIONS

#### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

- · Typical settings may require optimization
- Both cold and hot runner systems are suitable for these materials
- · Valve gate systems can be used
- · Avoid using temperatures above 200 °C in order to lower the risk of wood and polymer degradation
- The dwell time of the material shall be reduced to minimum in order to lower the risk of thermal degradation

| RECOMMENDED TEMPERATURES |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Throat                   | 40 – 60 °C   |
| Feed zone                | 150 – 170 °C |
| Compression zone         | 160 – 180 °C |
| Homogenizing zone        | 175 – 190 °C |
| Machine nozzle           | 175 – 190 °C |
| Back pressure            | 5 – 10 bar   |

175 - 190 °C

20 - 40 °C

### **PURGING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **BEFORE PRODUCTION**

**Tooling temperature** 

Hot runner nozzle and bushing

· Purge the extruder or plasticization unit and hot runner with PP or PE

### **DURING PRODUCTION**

- The material is heat sensitive. Avoid high processing temperatures and long dwell times
- If an extensive amount of burned material or fumes starts to appear in the products, try lowering processing temperature
- · In case of production break flush the extruder or plasticization unit with fresh material

### **AFTER PRODUCTION**

- · Purge the extruder or plasticization unit and hot runner with PP or PE
- Clean up the die or mold after production



# STORAGE, TRANSPORTATION AND SHELF-LIFE

#### **STORAGE**

- In original unopened packaging at temperatures below 45 °C
- · Once opened, reseal the package after each use
- · In dry conditions and avoid exposure to high humidity and rain
- · Away from direct sunlight

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Temperatures during transportation may not exceed 60 °C

#### SHELF-LIFE

- Shelf-life is from the date of manufacture, for unopened bags at room temperature (23 °C)
- · Date of manufacture can be found on the label attached to the original packaging

### Sulapac Flow 1.7 - EX1013.0NC

24 months

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