

# IUPITAL® ACETAL COPOLYMER ENGINEERING THERMOPLASTIC

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## **IUPITAL® LO21A**

IUPITAL® L021A is one of the lubricated grades in the lupital® range. This grade is designed to exhibit low friction and high wear resistance. Typical applications are in sliding mechanical components such as gears, bearings, mountings and pinch rollers used in Inkjet printing machines, VCR mechanisms, rocker type switches and washing machine planetary gears.

	CONDITIONS	_	TYPICAL VALUES	TESTING METHODS
1. Mechanical Properties				
Notched Izod Impact Strength	12.7 x 3.2 mm	J/m	59	ASTM D256
Tensile Strength	12.7 x 3.2 mm @ 20 mm/min	MPa	56.9	ASTM D638
Elongation to Fail	12.7 x 3.2 mm @ 20 mm/min	%	50	ASTM D638
Flexural Strength	12.7 x 6.4 mm @ 2.8 mm/min	MPa	80.4	ASTM D790
Flexural Modulus	12.7 x 6.4 mm @ 2.8 mm/min	MPa	2450	ASTM D790
Shear Strength	2.0 mm	MPa	-	ASTM D732
Tensile Impact Strength	1.6 mm	kJ/m²	59	ASTM D1822
2. Thermal Properties				
Heat Deflection Temperature	12.7 x 6.4 mm @ 1.82 MPa	°C	110	ASTM D648
·	12.7 x 6.4 mm @ 0.46 MPa	°C	-	ASTM D648
Melting Temperature		°C	165	DSC
Coefficient of Linear Thermal Expansion		cm/cm/°C	13 exp-5	ASTM D696
4. Physical Properties				
Melt Flow Rate	190°C, 2.16 kg	g/10 min	10	ASTM D1238
Specific Gravity		-	1.41	ASTM D792
Rockwell Hardness		M	80	ASTM D785
UL Flammability	0.8 mm	Rating	HB	UL 94
Water Absorption	24 hours	%	0.22	ASTM D570
Reinforcement Level		%	-	n/a
Mould Shrinkage	3.0 x Ø100 mm disc	%	2.0±0.4	ASTM D955

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### TYPICAL PROCESSING CONDITIONS

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The following typical guidelines are offered as initial processing conditions for IUPITAL® LO21A In practice, processing parameters may need to be varied to give commercially acceptable performance in conjunction with optimum physical properties. For specific technical advice on part design or processing conditions, contact the Marplex Technical Service Department.

Temperature of pellet bed in dehumidifying drier 80 - 90 °C

Minimum drying time at desired pellet bed temp 2 - 3 hours

Mould temperature 50 - 90 °C

Nozzle temperature Do not exceed stock

temperature

Stock temperature 190 - 210 °C

Cylinder temperatures Rear 165 - 185 °C

Middle 175 - 195 °C

Front 185 - 205 °C

Fill speed Medium - Fast

Screw speed 40 - 60 rpm

Screw back pressure 0.1 - 0.5 MPa

Injection pressure 60 - 130 MPa

Clamp pressure 3 - 5 kN/cm<sup>2</sup>

#### Comment(s):

- 1 Cleanliness of the dryer, machine hopper and machine screw/barrel/nozzle assembly are essential for processing lupital® Polyacetal and producing contamination free moulded components.
- 2 Iupital® Polyacetal is not compatible during moulding with other polymers.
- It is suggested that the pre-drying, moulding die and material temperatures are manually confirmed using a hand held temperature measuring device.

Conversions: 1 MPa = 145 psi

= 10.2 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>

= 10 bar

 $^{\circ}$ C = 5( $^{\circ}$ F-32)/9

 $1 \text{ kN/cm}^2 = 0.65 \text{ ton/in}^2$