# **DuPont Packaging & Industrial Polymers**





# Appeel® resins Product Data Sheet

### Description

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DuPont™ Appeel® 2044 is a blown or cast film resin designed to be a sealing layer for lidding applications. It provides a peelable seal over a broad temperature range to a number of container materials including ABS, CPET, HDPE, PETG, PP, PS, and APET. It will provide stronger seals to HIPS, PVC, and HDPE. Appeel® 2044 is a modified ethylene vinyl acetate polymer available in pellet form for use in conventional extrusion and coextrusion equipment designed to process polyethylene resins.

# Restrictions

Material Status

Commercial: Active

# **Typical Characteristics**

Uses

Lidding Sealant

# **Typical Properties**

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Physical	Nominal Values	Test Method(s)	
* Density ()	0.95 g/cm³	ASTM D792	ISO 1183
* Melt Flow Rate (190°C/2.16kg)	2.6 g/10 min	ASTM D1238	IS0 1133
Thermal	Nominal Values	Test Method(s)	
<ul><li>Melting Point (DSC)</li></ul>	79°C (174°F)	ASTM D3418	ISO 3146
Vicat Softening Point ()	54°C (129°F)	ASTM D1525	ISO 306
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The performance of any sealant resin should be evaluated within the context of the application. The sealant is designed to bond to particular substrate(s). Many variables can affect seal strength, including the physical properties of the substrate being sealed to, thickness, flange or surface design, heat seal temperature, dwell time and pressure. The condition and type of the sealing equipment used, such as roller sealers versus platen seal mechanisms can make a significant difference.

In most cases sealant peel strength is used as a measure of performance. Although this is a convenient test, peel strength is affected not only by substrate adhesion but also by peel angle, separation rate, ambient temperature, tensile and modulus properties of the materials, and often by the time elapsed since the formation of the bond.

If sealant peel strength is used as a measure of sealant performance, it is imperative that peel strength be evaluated not only at the time of initial heat sealing the lid to the substrate, but throughout the life of the product and under all the conditions to which the sealant will be exposed. Only then does peel strength provide a reliable indication of adhesive performance in the specific application.

# **Processing Information**

#### General

Maximum Processing Temperature
 General Processing Information

235°C (455°F)

If the process is stopped for short periods of time, the screw for the Appeel® extruder should be kept turning at a low rpm to keep material flowing.

After processing Appeel®, purge the material out using a polyethylene resin, preferably with a lower melt flow rate than the Appeel® resin in use. The "Disco Purge Method" is suggested as the preferred purging method, as this method usually results in a more effective purging process. Information on the Disco Purge Method can be obtained via your DuPont Sales Representative.

Never shut down the extrusion system with Appeel® in the extruder and die. Properly purge out the Appeel® with a polyethylene, and shut down the line with polyethylene or polypropylene in the system.

### Blown Film Processing

#### Nominal Values

Blown Film Processing Information

Blown Film: In blown film coextrusion processes the temperature of the Appeel® 2044 should be maintained in the  $160 - 185^{\circ}$  C range. It is also important that the Appeel® 2044 be supported with materials having sufficient melt strength.

Additive package: For blown film processing, it is suggested to add 3% to 5% of DuPont Elvax CE9619-1, a special slip and antiblock masterbatch. This masterbatch addition facilitates better web handling and roll formation.

Following is an example of a suggested temperatiure profile for blown film processing. Adjustments would then be made to suit the individual process and applications needs.

 Feed Zone
 140°C (284°F)

 Second Zone
 150°C (302°F)

 Third Zone
 160°C (320°F)

 Fourth Zone
 180°C (356°F)

 Fifth Zone
 180°C (356°F)

 Adapter Zone
 180°C (356°F)

 Die Zone
 170°C (338°F)

### FDA Status Information

APPEEL® 2044 Lidding Sealant Resin complies with Food and Drug Administration Regulation 21 CFR 175.105 - - Adhesives. This Regulation describes adhesives that may be used as components of articles intended for use in packaging, transporting, or holding food, subject to the limitations and requirements therein.

APPEEL® 2044 Lidding Sealant Resin also complies with Food and Drug Administration Regulation 21 CFR 177.1350 - - Ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymers, subject to the limitations and requirements therein. This Regulation describes polymers that may be used in contact with food, subject to the finished food-contact article meeting the extractive limitations under the intended conditions of use, as shown in paragraph (b)(1) of the Regulation.

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various European countries can be obtained through your local sales representative.

### Safety & Handling

For information on appropriate Handling & Storage of this polymeric resin, please refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet..

A Product Safety Bulletin, Material Safety Data Sheet, and/or more detailed information on extrusion processing and/or compounding of this polymeric resin for specific applications are available from your DuPont Packaging and Industrial Polymers representative.

# Read and Understand the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) before using this product

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