

DuPont™ Nucrel® 31001

Nucrel® resins Product Data Sheet

Description

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Nucrel® 31001 is a copolymer of ethylene and acrylic acid, made with nominally 9.5 wt% acrylic acid. It is available for use in blown and cast film extrusion and coextrusion equipment.

Restrictions

Material Status

- Commercial: Active

Typical Characteristics

Uses

- Adhesives
Packaging
Sealants

Composition

9.5 % By Weight Acrylic Acid comonomer content

Typical Properties

Physical

Nominal Values

Test Method(s)

* Density ()

0.94 g/cm³

ASTM D792

ISO 1183

* Melt Flow Rate (190°C/2.16kg)

1.3 g/10 min

ASTM D1238

ISO 1133

Thermal

Nominal Values

Test Method(s)

* Melting Point (DSC)

99°C (210°F)

ASTM D3418

ISO 3146

Freezing Point (DSC)

80°C (176°F)

ASTM D3418

ISO 3146

Vicat Softening Point
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79°C (174°F)

ASTM D1525

ISO 306

Processing Information

General

* Maximum Processing Temperature

285°C (545°F)

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Nucrel® 31001 normally is processed at melt temperatures ranging from 160°C - 285°C (320°F - 545°F) in blown film or cast film equipment. A typical blown film extruder temperature profile is given below. Actual processing temperatures will be determined by either the specific equipment or one of the other polymers in a coextrusion. Nucrel® 31001 can also be used in cast extrusions and coextrusions.

Materials of construction used in the processing of this resin should be corrosion resistant. Stainless steels of the types 316, 15-5PH, and 17-4PH are excellent, as is quality chrome or nickel plating, and in particular duplex chrome plating. Type 410 stainless steel is satisfactory, but needs to be tempered at a minimum temperature of 600°C (1112°F) to avoid hydrogen-assisted stress corrosion

cracking. Alloy steels such as 4140 are borderline in performance. Carbon steels are not satisfactory. While stainless steels can provide adequate corrosion protection, in some cases severe purging difficulties have been encountered. Nickel plating has been satisfactory, but experiments have shown that chrome surfaces have the least adhesion to acid based polymers. In recent years, the quality of chrome plating has been deteriorating due to environmental pressures, and the corrosion protection has not always been adequate. Chrome over top of stainless steel seems to provide the best combination for corrosion protection and ease of purging.

If surface properties of the extruded resin require modification (such as, lower C.o.F. for packaging machine processing), refer to the Conpol™ Processing Additive Resins product information guide.

After processing Nucrel, purge the material out using a polyethylene resin, preferably with a lower melt flow rate than the Nucrel 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 Nucrel in the extruder and die. Properly purge out the Nucrel with a polyethylene, and shut down the line with polyethylene or polypropylene in the system.

Blown Film Processing	Nominal Values
Blown Film Processing Information	A suggested extruder set temperature profile.
Feed Zone	135°C (275°F)
Second Zone	160°C (320°F)
Third Zone	185°C (365°F)
Fourth Zone	185°C (365°F)
Fifth Zone	185°C (365°F)
Adapter Zone	185°C (365°F)
Die Zone	185°C (365°F)

FDA Status Information

Nucrel® 31001 conforms to the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Paragraph 177.1310, covering its use as a food contact surface subject to the extractives limitations on the finished food contact article as described in the regulation.

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