# Product Information Automotive and Transportation



## Multiflex® G 70 A 21 BT Z4238 N0111 (A) Thermoplastic Elastomer

#### **FEATURES & BENEFITS**

- Excellent compression set
- UV stabilized
- Black
- Compatibility: PP

#### **APPLICATIONS**

 Multiflex® G 70 A 21 BT Z4238 N0111 (A) is designed for use in injection molding/extrusion

#### TYPICAL PROPERTIES

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Test*	Property	Unit	Result
ISO 868	Hardness	Sh.A	73
ISO 1183/A	Density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.14
MDA 179	Spiral flow condition A	cm	58
ISO 37 Type 1 v = 500 mm/min	Tensile strength at 100% elongation cross direction	MPa	3.3
ISO 37 Type 1 v = 500 mm/min	Tensile strength at break cross direction	MPa	8.1
ISO 37 Type 1 v = 500 mm/min	Elongation at break cross direction	%	545
ISO 34	Tear strength cross direction	kN/m	37
MDA 129	Compression set 24h/23°C without annealing	%	18
MDA 129	Compression set 24h/70°C without annealing	%	33
MDA 129	Compression set 24h/100°C without annealing	%	49

<sup>\*</sup>ISO: International Standardization Organization MDA (Méthode d'Analyse): Issued from ISO Standards

#### **GUIDELINES FOR INJECTION MOLDING**

Drying		Not needed	
Barrel temperature °C	Feed Zone	160 +/- 10	
	Transition	190 +/- 10	
	Front	200 +/- 10	
	Nozzle	200 +/- 10	
Melt temperature °C		210 +/- 10	
Back Pressure Bars		10 +/- 5	
Injection Speed		70 +/- 10% max	
Holding Pressure		30 +/- 10% of Max Injection Pressure	
Mold Temperature °C		40 +/- 20	
Hot runner °C		190 +/- 10	

#### **GUIDELINES FOR EXTRUSION**

Drying		Not needed
Temperature °C	Feed Zone Zone 1 Zone 2 Adaptator/Die	160 +/- 10 180 +/- 10 190 +/- 10 200 +/- 10
Melt temperature °C		190 +/- 10

#### PROCESSING GUIDE

Multiflex® brand Automotive GT Range is based on styrenics thermoplastic elastomer, designed for high compression set applications. Compatibility with polyolefins enables bi-material parts (continuous process or cold insert).

Please find below some indications to follow to transform the product. This does not replace molder experience, every mold having its own specificity, but this document is useful for initial parameter choice.

#### **Background**

Multiflex® Automotive GT Range can be transformed between 190°C to 230°C. In this temperature range, materials are stable, above, thermal degradation occurs, resulting in yellowing and significant odor emanation.

#### **Pre-drving**

Multiflex<sup>®</sup> Automotive GT Range is not humidity sensitive, Pre-drying is not needed. In case of "incident", pre-drying at 80–90°C during 1 to 2 hours is sufficient.

#### **Machinery cleaning**

High flow thermoplastic must be used, PEHD, PELD or PP.

#### **Coloring**

Multiflex® Automotive GT Range is easily colorable by using color masterbatch based on PP, PE or ethylene copolymers (EVA).

#### Recycling

Multiflex® Automotive GT Range is 100% recyclable without properties loss. We recommend a maximum

level of 10% of recycling material in virgin material.

#### **INJECTION**

On a general point of view, viscosity of SEBS based material is principally dependent of applied shear, so *Multiflex*® brand Automotive GT Range must be injected with high injection speed. Due to their high fluidity, easy mold feeding for single or multiple cavities geometries are possible.

#### **Processing parameters**

#### Screw:

Geometry: standard injection machine, L/D > 20, compression rate 2:1 to 3:1 (if higher, risk of thermal degradation). A screw speed between 100 to 150 rpm ensures thorough melting of the material without excessive temperature generation. Start with 120 rpm.

#### **Back pressure**

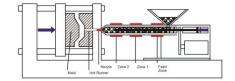
Must be between 7 and 15 bars. This will ensure a uniform melt without severe shear heating.

#### Temperatures (°C)

See Figure 1.

Feed Zone: 160 +/- 10
Zone 1: 190 +/- 10
Zone 2: 200 +/- 10
Nozzle: 210 +/- 10

### <u>Figure 1</u>: Injection molding processing temperatures



#### **Injection speed**

Injection speed and fill time are highly dependent on part geometry, complexity and gate design. Faster speeds typically result in easier mold filling while lower speeds result in better surface in better surface appearance. Start with an injection speed around 70% of maximum speed.

#### **Holding pressure**

Start with a pressure equivalent to 30% of maximum injection pressure. Excessive holding pressure can result in distortion in the area of the gate due to elastomeric characteristics of the material.

#### **Holding time**

Three seconds can be used to start to ensure sufficient time for gate freeze off. Holding time can be slowly reduced until changes in part appearance or weight occur.

#### Mold

Use conventional mold design (venting, finish, draft) with temperatures from 10 to 60°C, but in the range of 40°C typically gives good results.

#### **Hot Runners**

Apply a temperature of 190°C +/- 10.

#### **EXTRUSION**

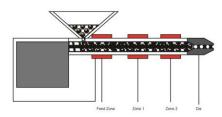
Multiflex® Automotive GT Range can be processed on all extrusion machines for PVC, polyolefin. A screw, with a compression ratio of 3 is recommended.

#### Temperatures (°C)

See Figure 2.

Feed Zone: 160 +/- 10
Zone 1: 180 +/- 10
Zone 2: 190 +/- 10
Die: 200 +/- 10

<u>Figure 2</u>: Extrusion processing temperatures



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