



## Multiflex<sup>®</sup> TES A6006 CWI1 NAT Thermoplastic Elastomer

### FEATURES & BENEFITS

- UV stabilized
- Low compression set at 100°C
- Standard approvals : CSTB
- Natural color
- Compatibility: PP/PE

### APPLICATIONS

- Multiflex<sup>®</sup> TES A6006 CWI1 NAT is designed for use in injection molding/extrusion

### TYPICAL PROPERTIES

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| Test*                           | Property   | Unit              | Result |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------------|--------|
| ISO 868                         | Hardness   | Sh.A              | 60     |
| ISO 1183/A                      | Density  | g/cm <sup>3</sup> | 1.12   |
| MDA 179                         | Spiral flow condition A                                | cm                | 67     |
| ISO 37 Type 1<br>v = 500 mm/min | Tensile strength at 100% elongation<br>cross direction | MPa               | 1.9    |
| ISO 37 Type 1<br>v = 500 mm/min | Tensile strength at break cross<br>direction           | MPa               | 6.2    |
| ISO 37 Type 1<br>v = 500 mm/min | Elongation at break cross direction                    | %                 | 630    |
| ISO 34                          | Tear strength cross direction                          | kN/m              | 30     |
| MDA 129                         | Compression set 24h/23°C without<br>annealing          | %                 | 15     |
| MDA 129                         | Compression set 24h/70°C without<br>annealing          | %                 | 26     |
| MDA 129                         | Compression set 24h/100°C without<br>annealing         | %                 | 41     |

\*ISO: International Standardization Organization

MDA (Méthode d'Analyse): Issued from ISO Standards

### GUIDELINES FOR INJECTION MOLDING

**Drying:** Multiflex<sup>®</sup> TES A6006 CWI1 NAT is not moisture sensitive, therefore drying is not needed. However, if this material is stored in high humidity conditions, it is recommended to dry for two hours at maximum 80°C.

|                       |            |                                      |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|
| 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 |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------|
| Barrel temperature °C | Feed Zone     | 160 +/- 10 |
|                       | Zone 1        | 180 +/- 10 |
|                       | Zone 2        | 190 +/- 10 |
|                       | Adaptator/Die | 200 +/- 10 |
| Melt temperature °C   |               | 190 +/- 10 |

### PROCESSING GUIDE

*Multiflex*® brand TES CW/T are styrenics thermoplastic elastomers, 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*® TES CW/T series 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-drying

As *Multiflex*® TES CW/T are 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*® TES CW/T are easy colorable by using color masterbatch based on PP, PE or ethylene copolymers (EVA).

#### Recycling

*Multiflex*® TES CW/T are 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*® TES CW/T 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). 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)

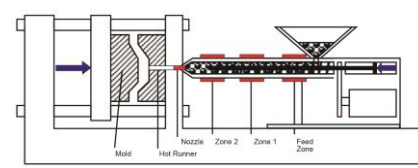
See Figure 1.

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

#### 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. High injection speed, around 70% of maximum injection speed should be used initially.

**Figure 1:**



#### 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 typically chosen in the range of 40°C gives good results.

#### Hot Runners

Apply a temperature of 190°C +/- 10.

### EXTRUSION

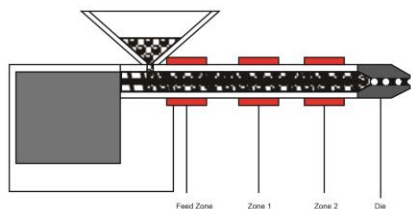
*Multiflex*® TES CW/T series can be processed on all extrusion machines for PVC, polyolefin. A screw, with a compression ratio of 3 is recommended.

#### Temperatures (°C)

See Figure 2.

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

**Figure 2:**



**HANDLING  
PRECAUTIONS  
PRODUCT SAFETY  
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## **PACKAGING INFORMATION**

This product is available in a variety of container sizes. Contact your local Dow Corning sales representative for information about container sizes available in your area.

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This product is neither tested nor represented as suitable for medical or pharmaceutical uses.

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