# Product Information Automotive and Transportation



# Multiflex® TES A9008 EV0 205/09 Thermoplastic Elastomer

#### **FEATURES & BENEFITS**

- Aesthetics
- Very high flow
- UV stabilized
- Black
- Compatibility: PP

#### **APPLICATIONS**

• Multiflex® TES A9008 EV0 205/09 is designed for use in injection molding

#### TYPICAL PROPERTIES

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Test*	Property	Unit	Result
ISO 868	Hardness	Sh.A	90
ISO 1183/A	Density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	0.99
MDA 179	Spiral flow condition C	cm	62
ISO 527-2/5A/50	Tensile strength at 100% elongation	MPa	7
ISO 527-2/5A/50	Tensile strength at break	MPa	13
ISO 527-2/5A/50	Elongation at break	%	585
ISO 34	Tear strength	kN/m	48

<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 Transition Front Nozzle	150 +/- 10 170 +/- 10 190 +/- 10 200 +/- 10	
Melt temperature °C		200 +/- 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		180 +/- 10	

#### PROCESSING GUIDE

Multiflex® brand Automotive EV Range is designed for injected application: easy mold feeding, for single or multiple cavities geometries are possible due to high fluidity. Compatibility with polyolefin enables bi-injected, overmolded (continuous process or cold insert) parts molding.

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 EV Range can be injected between their melting temperatures 170°C to 230–240°C. In this temperature range, materials are stable, above, thermal degradation occurs, resulting in yellowing and significant odor emanation. On a general point of view, viscosity of SEBS based material is principally dependent of applied shear, so Multiflex® Automotive EV Range must be injected with high injection speed.

*Multiflex*<sup>®</sup> Automotive EV Range has been designed to enlarge process window, and can be injected at medium speed.

#### **Pre-drying**

As *Multiflex*<sup>®</sup> Automotive EV Range is not humidity sensitive, Pre-drying is not needed. In case of "incident", pre-drying is not necessary.

#### **Machinery cleaning**

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

#### **Coloring**

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

#### **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**

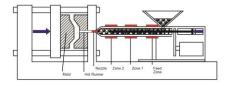
Must be between 7 and 15 bars. This will ensure a uniform melt without severe shear heating.

## $Temperatures~(^{\circ}C)$

See Figure 1.

Feed Zone: 150 +/- 10
Zone 1: 170 +/- 10
Zone 2: 190 +/- 10
Nozzle: 200 +/- 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. High injection speed, around 70% of maximum injection speed should be used initially.

#### **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 25–30°C gives good results.

#### **Hot Runners**

Apply a temperature of 190°C +/- 10.

#### Recycling

Multiflex® Automotive EV Range is 100% recyclable without properties loss. We recommend a maximum level of 10% of recycling material in virgin material.

#### HANDLING

PRECAUTIONS
PRODUCT SAFETY
INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR
SAFE USE IS NOT INCLUDED IN
THIS DOCUMENT. BEFORE
HANDLING, READ PRODUCT
AND SAFETY DATA SHEETS
AND CONTAINER LABELS FOR
SAFE USE, PHYSICAL AND
HEALTH HAZARD
INFORMATION. THE SAFETY
DATA SHEET IS AVAILABLE ON
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Refer to product label for storage temperature conditions. Containers should be kept tightly closed and kept in cold storage at all times to extend shelf life. Shelf life is indicated by the "Use Before" date found on the product label.

### PACKAGING INFORMATION

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

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