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Injection Molding of Engineering Polymers

The injection molding of thermoplastic resins is a well known and widely practiced science. But it must be performed properly if the optimum properties of the material are to be achieved. DuPont Polymers makes a number of engineering plastics representing a range of chemical types. Each has its own specific processing characteristics which must be considered and understood before successful molding operations can be accomplished. The information presented is intended to provide guidance in the molding and extruding of DuPont Engineering Polymers. Additional information can be found in the Molding Guide for each product.

Processing Conditions

The optimum processing conditions for a plastic are determined by the nature of the plastic. It is important that the recommended processing conditions be followed, subject to the experience of the molder. Molding conditions can affect the performance of the polymer, especially toughness, mold shrinkage, weld lines, post mold shrinkage and surface appearance of the molded part.

Sales Information

DuPont Engineering Polymers are manufactured in ten countries and sold throughout the world. Local sales and technical support personnel are available to serve you almost anywhere. For further information, please contact any of the regional offices on the back cover.

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Tables 1–5 describe typical processing conditions for injection molding of Zytel® Nylon Resin, Minlon® Engineering Thermoplastic Resin, Glass Reinforced Zytel, Delrin® Acetal Resin, Hytrel® Engineering Thermoplastic Elastomer, Rynite® PET Thermoplastic Polyester Resin, Rynite PBT Thermoplastic Polyester Resin and Zenite™.

Table 6

Table 6 describes typical extrusion conditions for Zytel, Delrin, and Hytrel.

Table 1
Zytel Nylon Resin

		Resin Grade	Dehumidifying Dryer Conditions	Melt (Stock)
Resin	Code	Description	Time/Temp.	Temperature*
66 Nylon	101 101L 101F 103HSL 103FHS 105 BK010A	General Purpose—Unmodified General Purpose—Lubricated General Purpose—Fast Cycle Heat Stabilized—Lubricated Fast Cycle—Heat Stabilized Weather Resistant	Virgin resin is packaged dry in moisture-proof boxes and bags. Pre-drying should not be necessary unless package is damaged.	280–305°C (535–580°F)
	122L 132F 133L	Hydrolysis Resistant Fast Cycle—Lightly Nucleated Nucleated—Color Stabilized—Lubricated	 It is important to keep resin dry during molding. If residence time in the hopper is over one hour, a dehumidified hopper dryer is recommended (80°C [175°F]). 	
Toughened 66 Nylon	408 408HS 408L 450HSL BK	Impact Resistant Impact Resistant—Heat Stabilized Impact Resistant—Lubricated Intermediate Impact Resistance, Heat Stabilized and Lubricated	Regrind resin must be dried at 80°C (175°F). Time will depend on storage time, particle size and humidity.	290–295°C (550–560°F)
	3189 3189HSL	Impact Resistant Heat Stabilized—Lubricated	The following are general guidelines:	
Super Tough Nylon	ST800L ST800HSL ST801 ST801HS ST801W	Outstanding Impact Resistance—Lubricated Heat Stabilized ST800L Outstanding Impact Resistance—Lubricated Heat Stabilized ST801 Weatherable, UV Resistant ST801	Time in	290–295°C (550–560°F)
	ST901L ST901HSL	Amorphous Characteristics Amorphous Characteristics—Heat Stabilized	Nylon will discolor on drying. The amount of color change depends on temperature and time.	275–300°C (530–570°F)
	ST811HS	Super Tough Nylon 6—Heat Stabilized	Consult Molding Manual on Zytel for more detailed information.	225–290°C (440–550°F)
612 Nylon	151L 153HSL 157HSL BK010 158L	General Purpose—Lubricated Heat Stabilized—Lubricated Weather and Heat Resistant—Lubricated High Viscosity and Tougher Than 151L—Lubricated	**Dew point - 18°C (<0°F)	230–290°C (450–550°F)
Modified Copolymer	109L	Color Stabilized—Nucleated—Lubricated		255–290°C (490–550°F)
Transparent Nylon	330	General Purpose—Amorphous Characteristics		300–320°C (570–610°F)

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Table 1
Zytel Nylon Resin

Resin	Reciprocating Screw Machine*							
Grade		Cylinder		tures	Fill	Screw	Back	Injection
Code	Nozzle	Front	Center	Rear	Speed	Speed	Pressure	Pressure
101 101L 101F 103HSL 103FHS 105 BK010A 122L 132F 133L	260–300°C (500–570°F)	270°C (520°F)	275°C (525°F)	280°C (540°F)	Moderate to Fast	Slow to Moderate	Increasing back pressure increases the work done by the screw on the melt. This has the following advantages and disadvantages: Advantages • Increases melt	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
408 408HS 408L 450HSL BK 3189 3189HSL	260–300°C (500–570°F)	275°C (525°F)	280°C (535°F)	295°C (560°F)	Moderate	Slow to Moderate	temperature and uniformity. Can be used to minimize unmelted particles. Improves color mixing when color concentrates are	41–138 MPa (6,000–20,000 psi)
ST800L ST800HSL ST801 ST801HS ST801W	260–300°C (500–570°F)	275°C (525°F)	280°C (535°F)	295°C (560°F)	Moderate	Slow to Moderate	used. Disadvantages Decreases output of screw. Increases drool (nozzle).	41–138 MPa (6,000–20,000 psi)
ST901L ST901HSL	265–305°C (510–580°F)	280°C (535°F)	285°C (545°F)	300°C (570°F)	Moderate to Fast	Moderate	Reduces glass fiber length in glass- reinforced resins,	69–138 MPa (10,000–20,000 psi)
ST811HS	225°C (440°F)	225°C (440°F)	230°C (450°F)	245°C (470°F)	Moderate	Slow to Moderate	thus changing physical properties (strength/impact	55–138 MPa (8,000–20,000 psi)
151L 153HSL 157HSL BK010 158L	230°C (450°F)	225°C (440°F)	230°C (445°F)	240°C (460°F)	Moderate to Fast	Slow to Moderate	resistance). Increases equipment wear with filled resins. Scrubs barrel (black	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
109L	255°C (490°F)	250°C (485°F)	255°C (490°F)	265°C (505°F)	Moderate	Slow to Moderate	specks). Screw retraction time should be approximately	41–138 MPa (6,000–20,000 psi)
330	275–295°C (530–560°F)	290°C (550°F)	290°C (555°F)	280°C (535°F)	Moderate	Slow to Moderate	80% of the cool time for optimum molding.	62–138 MPa (9,000–20,000 psi)

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Table 1 Zytel Nylon Resin

Resin Grade Code	Mold Surface Temperature*	Comments
101 101L 101F 103HSL 103FHS 105 BK010A 122L 132F 133L	40–95°C (100–200°F)	Molding wet nylon resin will show up as one or more of these:
408 408HS 408L 450HSL BK 3189 3189HSL	40–95°C (100–200°F)	 ensuring that resin is dry using suck back, or using a reverse taper nozzle. If screw does not retract or retracts erratically, check rear zone temperature or heater band. Aluminum distearate may be added (20 g per 22.7 kg [50 lb] maximum) to aid in screw retraction. Too much lubricant may show up as surface splay and/or brittle parts. Also, moisture levels greater than 0.5% may cause erratic screw recovery. Check moisture and dry to less than 0.2%.
ST800L ST800HSL ST801 ST801HS ST801W	40–95°C (100–200°F)	 Nylon parts will absorb moisture after molding, which can cause changes in physical properties (moisture increases impact resistance and elongation) and dimensions. If higher toughness (impact resistance) is required, toughened compositions should be considered. Nylon parts that have been degraded (as evidenced by brittleness or brown color) should not be reground and remolded.
ST901L ST901HSL	40–80°C (100–175°F)	Dehumidified drying ovens and vacuum drying are also suitable. Consult the Molding Manual on Zytel for additional details.
ST811HS	40–95°C (100–200°F)	
151L 153HSL 157HSL BK010 158L	40–95°C (100–200°F)	
109L	40–95°C (100–200°F)	
330	65–95°C (150–200°F)	

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Table 2
Flame Retarded Nylon, Minlon Engineering Thermoplastic Resin and Glass-Reinforced Zytel

		Resin Grade	Dehumidifying Dryer Conditions	Melt (Stock)
Resin	Code	Description	Time/Temp.	Temperature*
Flame Retarded I	Nylon			
Zytel	FR10	General Purpose—Unreinforced	Virgin resin is packaged dry in moisture-proof boxes and bags. Pre-drying should not be	250–275°C (480–525°F)
	FR50	25% Glass-Reinforced	necessary unless package is damaged.	290–305°C (550–580°F)
Minlon	FR60	Mineral-Reinforced	It is important to keep resin dry during molding. If residence time in the hopper is over one hour, a dehumidified hopper dryer is	295–305°C (560–580°F)
Minlon Engineer	ing Thermopla	astic Resin	recommended (80°C [175°F]).	
Engineering Thermoplastic Resin	10B40 10B40HS1 20B 22C	Mineral-Reinforced Mineral-Reinforced—Heat Stabilized Mineral/Glass-Reinforced Mineral/Glass-Reinforced	Regrind resin must be dried at 80°C (175°F). Time will depend on storage time, particle size and humidity. The following are general	295–305°C (560–580°F)
	11C40 12T	Intermediate Toughened— Mineral Reinforced Toughened—Mineral Reinforced	guidelines: Time in Drying Time** Open Container (at 80°C [175°F])	280–300°C (540–570°F)
GRZ Glass-Reinf	orced Zytel		0–4 hr 2 hr 4–24 hr 4 hr	_
General Purpose	70G13L 70G13HS1L 70G33L 70G33HRL 70G33HS1L 70G43L	13% Glass—Lubricated 13% Glass—Heat Stabilized, Lubricated 33% Glass—Lubricated 33% Glass—Hydrolysis Resistant, Lubricated 33% Glass—Heat Stabilized, Lubricated 43% Glass—Lubricated	1–5 days 24 hr >5 days 48 hr Nylon will discolor on drying. The amount of color change depends on temperature and time. Consult Molding Manual on Zytel for more detailed information.	290–310°C (550–590°F)
Improved Surface	72G13L 72G13HS1L 72G33L 72G33HS1L 72G43L	13% Glass—Lubricated, 66/6 Copolymer 13% Glass—Heat Stabilized, Lubricated 33% Glass—Lubricated, 66/6 Copolymer 33% Glass—Heat Stabilized, Lubricated 43% Glass—Heat Stabilized, Lubricated	**Dew point –18°C (<0°F)	270–285°C (520–545°F)
Impact Modified	71G13L 71G13HS1L 71G33L	13% Glass—Lubricated 13% Glass—Heat Stabilized, Lubricated 33% Glass—Lubricated		290–310°C (550–590°F)
Toughened	8018 8018HS 80G33L 80G33HS1L 80G43HS1L	14% Glass 14% Glass—Heat Stabilized 33% Glass—Lubricated 33% Glass—Heat Stabilized, Lubricated 43% Glass—Heat Stabilized, Lubricated		290–310°C (550–590°F)
Toughened, Improved Surface	82G33L	33% Glass—Lubricated, 66/6 Copolymer		280–305°C (540–580°F)
GR 612 Nylon	77G33L 77G33HS1L 77G43L	33% Glass—Lubricated 33% Glass—Heat Stabilized, Lubricated 43% Glass—Lubricated		280–305°C (540–580°F)

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Table 2
Flame Retarded Nylon, Minlon Engineering Thermoplastic Resin and Glass-Reinforced Zytel

Resin			F	Reciprocation	ng Screw I	Machine*		
Grade	Туј	oical Cylind	er Temperatı	ıres	Fill	Screw	Back	Injection
Code	Nozzle	Front	Center	Rear	Speed	Speed	Pressure	Pressure
Flame Retard	ded Nylon				_			
FR10	220–250°C (430–480°F)	230–240°C (450–460°F)	240–245°C (460–470°F)	245–250°C (470–480°F)	Fast	Slow	Increasing back pressure increases the work done by the	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
FR50	280–295°C (540–560°F)	270–275°C (520–530°F)	275–280°C (530–540°F)	290–300°C (550–570°F)	Fast	Slow	screw on the melt. This has the	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
FR60	295–305°C (560–580°F)	280-290°C (540-550°F)	290–295°C (550–560°F)	295–300°C (560–570°F)	Fast	Slow	following advantages and disadvantages:	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
Minlon Engi	neering Thern	noplastic Resi	n		1	<u> </u>	AdvantagesIncreases melt	
10B40 10B40HS1 20B 22C	295–305°C (560–580°F)	280–290°C (540–550°F)	290–295°C (550–560°F)	295–300°C (560–570°F)	Moderate to Fast	Slow	temperature and uniformity. • Can be used to minimize unmelted particles.	55–138 MPa (8,000–20,000 psi)
11C40 12T	280–290°C (540–550°F)	275–280°C (530–540°F)	275–290°C (530–550°F)	280–295°C (540–560°F)	Moderate to Fast	Slow	 Improves color mixing when color concentrates are used. 	55–138 MPa (8,000–20,000 psi)
GRZ Glass-R	Reinforced Zyt	el					Disadvantages	
70G13L 70G13HS1L 70G33L 70G33HRL	280–295°C (540–560°F)	270–275°C (520–530°F)	275–280°C (530–540°F)	290–300°C (550–570°F)	Fast	Slow	Decreases output of screw. Increases drool (nozzle).	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
70G33HS1L 70G43L							 Reduces glass fiber length in 	
72G13L 72G13HS1L 72G33L 72G33HS1L 72G43L	270–275°C (520–530°F)	260–265°C (500–510°F)	260–265°C (500–510°F)	270–280°C (520–540°F)	Fast	Slow	glass-reinforced resins, thus changing physical properties (strength/impact resistance).	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
71G13L 71G13HS1L 71G33L	280–295°C (540–560°F)	270–275°C (520–530°F)	275–280°C (530–540°F)	290–300°C (550–570°F)	Fast	Slow	Increases equipment wear with filled resins.	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
8018 8018HS 80G33L 80G33HS1L 80G43HS1L	275–295°C (530–560°F)	270–275°C (520–530°F)	275–280°C (530–540°F)	290–300°C (550–570°F)	Fast	Slow	Scrubs barrel (black specks). Screw retraction time should be approxi- mately 80% of the cool time for optimum	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
82G33L	280–295°C (540–560°F)	270–280°C (520–540°F)	270–280°C (520–540°F)	280–295°C (540–560°F)	Fast	Slow	molding.	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)
77G33L 77G33HS1L 77G43L	275–295°C (530–560°F)	265–270°C (510–520°F)	270–275°C (520–530°F)	280–295°C (540–560°F)	Fast	Slow		34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)

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Table 2
Flame Retarded Nylon, Minlon Engineering Thermoplastic Resin and Glass-Reinforced Zytel

Resin Grade	Mold Surface	
Code	Temperature*	Comments
Flame Retard	ed Nylon	Breathing of fumes should be avoided. Consult Zytel Molding Guide for recommended molding
FR10	40–65°C (100–150°F)	 area ventilation. At higher temperatures and excessively long holdup time, decomposition of the flame-retarded resins may occur, evolving some hydrogen halides (which are corrosive). See MSDS for
FR50	65–120°C (150–250°F)	information on these resins. • Shutdown must always be preceded by completely purging the molding machine.
FR60	65–100° C (150–210°F)	Glass-reinforced nylons and Minlon are abrasive to equipment. Bimetallic barrel liners and screw flight lands of a hard surfacing alloy are recommended. The following processing conditions will aid in minimizing wear:
Minlon Engin	eering Thermoplastic Resin	use suggested high rear zone cylinder setting
10B40	65–100°C	use minimum screw speed and back pressure keep check valve in good operating condition
10B40HS1 20B 22C	(150–210°F)	The surface appearance of the molded part depends partly on the mold surface temperature. The temperatures shown here will give the best surfaces. It may be necessary to increase the nozzle temperature to prevent freeze-off.
11C40	65–100°C (150–210°F)	A fast, one-second injection speed normally gives the highest gloss.
12T	(130 210 1)	Consult the molding manual on glass-reinforced Zytel and Minlon for additional details.
GRZ Glass-Re	inforced Zytel	1
70G13L 70G13HS1L 70G33L 70G33HRL 70G33HS1L 70G43L	65–120°C (150–250°F)	
72G13L 72G13HS1L 72G33L 72G33HS1L 72G43L	65–120°C (150–250°F)	
71G13L 71G13HS1L 71G33L	65–120°C (150–250°F)	
8018 8018HS 80G33L 80G33HS1L 80G43HS1L	65–120°C (150–250°F)	
82G33L	65–120° C (150–250°F)	
77G33L 77G33HS1L 77G43L	65–120°C (150–250°F)	

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Table 3
Delrin Acetal Resin and Hytrel Engineering Thermoplastic Resin

	R	esin Grade	Dehumidifying Dryer Conditions	Melt (Stock)
Resin	Code	Description	Time/Temp.	Temperature*
Delrin Acetal Resi	n*	-		
High Viscosity	100 100P 100F 100AF 107	High Viscosity Superior Processing Fast Cycle TFE Fiber Filled—Low Friction UV Stabilized (Delrin 100 Base)	Not Usually Required	205–225°C (400–440°F)
General Purpose	500 500P 500F 500AF 500CL 507 570 577	General Purpose Superior Processing Fast Cycle TFE Fiber Filled—Low Friction Chemically Lubricated UV Stablized (Delrin 500 Base) 20% Glass—High Stiffness, Low Warpage Black Weatherable (Delrin 570 Base)		205–225°C (400–440°F)
Low Viscosity	900 900P 900F 900HP 1700HP	Low Viscosity—High Flow Superior Processing Fast Cycle High Productivity Special Purpose High Flow		205–225°C (400–440°F)
Toughened	100ST 500T	Super Tough (Delrin 100 Base) Toughened (Delrin 500 Base)	2–4 hr at 80°C (175°F)	195–215°C (380–420°F)
Hytrel Engineeri	ing Therr	noplastic Elastomer		
Most Flexible Grades and Lowest Melting	G3548VV 4056	Flexible Grade with Color Stable Antioxidant Flexible Grade	Hytrel can be used directly from undamaged sealed bags and may not need to be dried prior to mold-	180–205°C (355–400°F)
	HTR8122 G4074 G4078W	Most Flexible Grade Flexible Grade with High Heat Stabilizer Flexible Grade with Color Stable Antioxidant	ing. As manufactured, these polymers are dried to a moisture content below 0.1% and packaged in special moisture-resistant bags.	190–220°C (375–430°F)
Low to Mid-Range Flexural Modulus	4069 4556 5526 5556 5555HS	Flexible Grade, High Performance Mid-Range Flexiblity With High Performance Mid-Range Flexiblity With High Performance Mid-Range Flexiblity With High Performance Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer	However, since there is a possibil- ity of damaged or open bags, and in any case when using regrind, a desiccant hopper dryer should be used to ensure moldings of high quality. This will also protect against moisture pickup during	220–250°C (430–480°F)
Mid-Range Flexibility	G4774 G5544 6356	Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer Mid-Range with High Performance	processing. Dehumidified hopper dryers reduce and control the resin moisture content and improve quality.	230–260°C (445–500°F)
High Strength and Stiffness	7246 8238	High Modulus, High Strength, High Performance High Modulus, High Strength, High Performance	Drying Conditions for Hytrel Drying Drying Temperature Time	240–260°C (465–500°F)
Special Grades	HTR6108 HTR8068	Mid-Range with Low Permeability to Fuels and Oils Flame Retardant Grade, UL-94V-0	Dehumidified 110°C 2-3 hr hopper (230°F) Dehumidified 80°C overnight hopper (175°F) Air circulating 110°C 4-6 hr oven (230°F) (in dry weather)	205°C (400°F)

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Delrin Acetal Resin and Hytrel Engineering Thermoplastic Resin

Resin				Machine*			
Grade			er Temperat		Fill	Screw	Back
Code	Nozzle	Front	Center	Rear	Speed	Speed	Pressure
Delrin Ace	etal Resin*					,	
100 100P 100F	210° C (410° F)	205° C (400° F)	205°C (400°F)	205°C (400°F)	Moderate to Fast	Slow	Increasing back pressure increases the work done by the screw on the melt.
100AF 107							This has the following advantages and disadvantages:
F00	20502	00000	00000	2000		01 .	Advantages
500 500P 500F	205°C (400°F)	200°C (390°F)	200°C (390°F)	200°C (390°F)	Moderate to Fast	Slow to Moderate	Increases melt temperature and uniformity.
500AF 500CL							Can be used to minimize unmelted particles.
507 570							 Improves color mixing when color concentrates are used.
577							Disadvantages
900	205° C	200° C	200° C	200° C	Moderate	Slow to	Decreases output of screw.
900P	(400°F)	(390°F)	(390°F)	(390°F)	to Fast	Moderate	Increases drool (nozzle).
900F 900HP 1700HP							 Reduces glass fiber length in glass- reinforced resins, thus changing physical properties (strength/impact resistance).
							Increases equipment wear with filled
100ST 500T	195°C (380°F)	190°C (370°F)	190°C (370°F)	190°C (370°F)	Moderate to Fast	Slow to Moderate	resins.
	gineering ⁻			<u> </u>	10 1 401	Moderate	Scrubs barrel (black specks).
G3548W		<u> </u>			Madausta	Madausta	Increasing back pressure increases the work
4056	175°C (345°F)	190°C (375°F)	190°C (375°F)	165–190°C (330–375°F)	Moderate	Moderate	done by the screw on the melt.
HTR8122 G4074	190°C (375°F)	205°C (400°F)	205°C (400°F)	180–205°C (355–400°F)	Moderate	Moderate	This has the following advantages and disadvantages:
G4078W	(6.6.1)	(100 17	(100 1)	(666 166 17			Advantages
4069	220°C	230° C	230° C	205–230°C	Moderate	Moderate	Increases melt temperature and uniformity.
4556 5526	(430°F)	(455°F)	(455°F)	(400–455°F)			Can be used to minimize unmelted particles.
5556 5555HS							Improves color mixing when color concentrates are used.
G4774	230° C	245° C	245° C	220-245°C	Moderate	Moderate	May be required for better mixing with any of the five Hytrel concentrates with
G5544 6356	(455°F)	(475°F)	(475°F)	(430–475°F)			special additives.
7040	0.555	04500	0	000 0000			Disadvantages
7246 8238	240°C (465°F)	245°C (475°F)	245° C (475° F)	220–245°C (430–475°F)	Moderate to Fast	Moderate	 Decreases output of screw. Increases drool (nozzle).
-							Scrubs barrel (black specks).
HTR6108 HTR8068	190°C (375°F)	205°C (400°F)	205°C (400°F)	180–205°C (355–400°F)	Moderate	Moderate	- Scrubs barrer (black specks).

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Delrin Acetal Resin and Hytrel Engineering Thermoplastic Resin

Resin Grade Code	Injection Pressure	Mold Surface Temperature**	Comments
Delrin Aceta		remperature	Comments
100 100P 100F 100AF 107	69–110 MPa (10,000–16,000 psi)	80–105°C (180–220°F)	PRECAUTIONS: Delrin has good thermal stability for normal processing, but degradation can occur under improper processing conditions, such as: Combination of excessive hold-up times and/or high melt temperatures.
500 500P 500F 500AF 500CL 507 570	62–104 MPa (9,000–15,000 psi)	80–105°C (180–220°F)	Contaminants and impurities from acid-generating resins such as PVC, flame retardant resins, etc. Contact of the melt with copper, copper alloys or thread lubricants containing copper. Please refer to Molding Manual on Delrin for details and safety instructions. Delrin does not need to be dried usually. However, it can be dried
900 900P 900F 900HP 1700HP	48–69 MPa (7,000–10,000 psi)	80–105°C (180–220°F)	 at 85°C (185°F) for 4 hours or less in an oven or hopper dryer, with dehumidified recirculating air systems for optimum molding. Corrosion resistant molds recommended for Delrin AF. Purge with clear polystyrene (only) before and after running toughened Delrin composition. The minimum purge is ten times the barrel capacity.
100ST 500T	62–110 MPa (9,000–16,000 psi)	10–70°C (50–160°F)	Improved Delrin II P resins have greater thermal stability for low mold and screw deposits.
Hytrel Eng	ineering Thermoplastic	Elastomer	<u> </u>
G3548W 4056	21–100 MPa (3,000–14,500 psi)	25–45° C (75–115°F)	When handled properly, Hytrel has outstanding thermal stability. In the melt under normal operating conditions (e.g., recommended melt temperatures and <0.1% moisture
HTR8122 G4074	21–100 MPa (3,000–14,500 psi)	25–45° C (75–115°F)	content), the evolution of gaseous by-products is minimal for most grades.
4069 4556 5526 5556 5555HS	34–138 MPa (5,000–20,000 psi)	25–75° C (75–165°F)	Regrind can be used up to a level of 25% or more, without a significant drop in mechanical properties, providing the quality of the regrind is good. This can be checked with measurements of Melt Flow Rate relative to a control of resin out of the bag. Further details can be found in the "Rheology and Handling Guide" for Hytrel. All regrind must be dried before processing.
G4774 G5544 6356	34–141 MPa (5,000–19,000 psi)	25–75° C (75–165°F)	General-purpose screws with a gradual transition zone are recommended. Screw compression ratio should be between 2.5 and 3.5 to 1. Since Hytrel is relatively soft and flexible, some difficulties in
7246 8238	62–138 MPa (9,000–20,000 psi)	25–75° C (75–165°F)	part ejection may be experienced with the very soft grades less than 45D. Large knockout pins may be used and ample draft on cores. To reduce possible sticking problems, a matted surface finish on molds is preferred with the softer grades.
HTR6108 HTR8068	21–100 MPa (3,000–14,500 psi)	25–45° C (75–115°F)	Consult the "Injection Molding Guide" for Hytrel for additional details.

^{*}Grades in bold type are also available in Delrin II.

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Table 4
Rynite PET and Rynite PBT Thermoplastic Polyester Resin

		Resin Grade	Dehumidifying	
Resin	Code	Description	Dryer Conditions Time/Temp.	Melt (Stock) Temperature*
Rynite PET Th	ermoplast	tic Polyester Resin		
General Purpose	530 545 555	30% Glass-Reinforced 45% Glass-Reinforced 55% Glass-Reinforced, Highest Stiffness	Hopper Dryer Required Air Temperature: 120–135°C (250–275°F) 105°C (225°F) overnight	280–300° C (540–570° F)
	408	30% Glass-Reinforced, Improved Toughness	Dew Point: -18°C (0°F) or lower	270–290° C (520–550° F)
Low Warp	935 940	35% Mica/Glass-Reinforced 40% Mica/Glass-Reinforced	Air Flow Rate: 0.8—1.0 CFM per lb/hr of resin processed Drying Time:	280–300°C (540–570°F)
Flame Retarded	FR515 FR530 FR543 FR943 FR945 FR946	Flame Retarded—15% Glass-Reinforced Flame Retarded—30% Glass-Reinforced Flame Retarded—43% Glass-Reinforced Flame Retarded—43% Glass/Glass Flake Flame Retarded—45% Glass/Mineral Flame Retarded—46% Glass/Glass Flake	Virgin resin 2–3 hr Recycled regrind 3–4 hr Wet resin (See Drying Manual)	270–290°C (520–550°F)
Super Toughened	SST35	Stiffened, Super Tough, 35% Glass-Reinforced		270–290°C (520–550°F)
Toughened	415HP	Toughened, 15% Glass-Reinforced		270–290°C (520–550°F)
Rynite PBT Th	ermoplas [.]	tic Polyester Resin		
- Unreinforced	6125	Heat Stabilized		250–260°C (480–500°F)
Toughened	6400	Super Tough		250–260°C (480–500°F)
Flame Retardant	FR6944	Flame Retarded—UL94 V-0		250–260° C (480–500° F)
Glass Reinforced	7015 7030	15% Glass Reinforced 30% Glass Reinforced		250–260°C (480–500°F)
Glass Reinforced, Flame Retardant	FR7915 FR7930 FR7930F	15% Glass Reinforced, Flame Retardant 30% Glass Reinforced, Flame Retardant 30% Glass Reinforced, High Flow, Flame Retardant		250–260°C (480–500°F)

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Table 4
Rynite PET and Rynite PBT Thermoplastic Polyester Resin

Resin					
Grade					
Code	Nozzle	Front	Center	Rear	Fill Speed
Rynite PET	Thermoplastic Poly	ester Resin			
530 545 555	275–300°C (530–570°F)	265–295°C (510–560°F)	260–295°C (500–560°F)	260–290°C (500–550°F)	Moderate to Fast
408	260–295°C (500–560°F)	260–280°C (500–540°F)	260–280°C (500–540°F)	260–275°C (500–530°F)	Moderate to Fast
935 940	275–300°C (530–570°F)	265–295°C (510–560°F)	260–295°C (500–560°F)	260–290°C (500–550°F)	Moderate to Fast
FR515 FR530 FR543 FR943 FR945 FR946	260–295°C (500–560°F)	260–280°C (500–540°F)	260–280°C (500–540°F)	260–275°C (500–530°F)	Moderate to Fast
SST35	260–295°C (500–560°F)	260–280°C (500–540°F)	260–280°C (500–540°F)	260–275°C (500–530°F)	Moderate to Fast
415HP	260–295°C (500–560°F)	260–280°C (500–540°F)	260–280°C (500–540°F)	260–275°C (500–530°F)	Moderate to Fast
Rynite PBT 6125	Thermoplastic Poly	vester Resin 240–260°C	240–260°C	230–250°C	Moderate
	(460–500°F)	(460–500°F)	(460–500°F)	(450–480°F)	to Fast
6400	240–260°C (460–500°F)	240–260°C (460–500°F)	240–260°C (460–500°F)	230–250°C (450–480°F)	Moderate to Fast
FR6944	240–260°C (460–500°F)	240–260°C (460–500°F)	240–260°C (460–500°F)	230–250°C (450–480°F)	Moderate to Fast
7015 7030	240–260°C (460–500°F)	240–260°C (460–500°F)	240–260°C (460–500°F)	230–250°C (450–480°F)	Moderate to Fast
FR7915 FR7930 FR7930F	240–260°C (460–500°F)	240–260°C (460–500°F)	240–260°C (460–500°F)	230–250°C (450–480°F)	Moderate to Fast

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Table 4
Rynite PET and Rynite PBT Thermoplastic Polyester Resin

Resin Grade		Reciprocating Screw Machine*	
Code	Screw Speed	Back Pressure	Injection Pressure
Rynite PET	Thermoplastic	Polyester Resin	
530 545 555	Slow	Increasing back pressure increases the work done by the screw on the melt. This has the following advantages and disadvantages:	34–124 MPa (5,000–18,000 psi)
408	Slow	Advantages Increases melt temperature and uniformity. Can be used to minimize unmelted particles.	34–124 MPa (5,000–18,000 psi)
935 940	Slow	Improves color mixing when color concentrates are used. Display Provided Pro	34–124 MPa (5,000–18,000 psi)
FR515 FR530 FR543 FR943 FR945 FR946	Slow	Disadvantages Decreases output of screw. Increases drool (nozzle). Reduces glass fiber length in glass-reinforced resins, thus changing physical properties (strength/impact resistance). Increases equipment wear with filled resins.	34–124 MPa (5,000–18,000 psi)
SST35	Slow	Scrubs barrel (black specks). Screw retraction time should be approximately 80% of the cool time for optimum molding.	55–124 MPa (8,000–18,000 psi)
415HP	Slow	are coordinate for opamain morality.	55–124 MPa (8,000–18,000 psi)
Rynite PBT	Thermoplastic	Polyester Resin	
6125	Slow		55–95 MPa (8,000–14,000 psi)
6400	Slow		69–124 MPa (10,000–18,000 psi)
FR6944	Slow		55–95 MPa (8,000–14,000 psi)
7015 7030	Slow		55–95 MPa (8,000–14,000 psi)
FR7915 FR7930	Slow		55–95 MPa (8,000–14,000 psi)
FR7930F			

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Table 4 Rynite PET and Rynite PBT Thermoplastic Polyester Resin

Resin Grade Code	Mold Surface Temperature*	Comments
Rynite PE	T Thermoplastic Polyeste	r Resin
530 545 555	Part Minimum Thickness Temperature 0.75 mm 110°C (0.03 in) (230°F)	excessive moisture, there will be no evidence on the surfaces of parts—they will just be brittle.
408	1.5 mm 105°C (0.06 in) (220°F) 3.1 mm 100°C	 High surface gloss can be obtained if the mold surface temperature is 93°C (200°F) or hotter. This hot mold will also give optimum long-term dimensional stability. To reduce wear, bimetallic barrel liners and screw flight lands of a hard surfacing alloy are
935	(0.12 in) (210°F) 6.3 mm 90°C	recommended.
940	(0.25 in) (190°F)	Consult molding guide on Rynite for additional details.
FR515 FR530 FR543 FR943 FR945 FR946		Screw compression ratios are a compromise between melt temperature uniformity and glass fiber length. A range of 3.0–3.5 has been found to be best.
SST35	Part Minimum Thickness Temperature	
415HP	0.75 mm 95°C (0.03 in) (205°F) 1.5 mm 90°C (0.06 in) (195°F) 3.1 mm 85°C (0.12 in) (185°F) 6.3 mm 75°C (0.25 in) (165°F)	
Rvnite PB	T Thermoplastic Polyeste	r Resin
6125	30–65°C (90–150°F)	
6400	30–65°C (90–150°F)	
FR6944	30–65°C (90–150°F)	
7015 7030	30–65° C (90–150°F)	
FR7915	30–65° C	
FR7930	(90–150°F)	
FR7930F		

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Table 5 DuPont Liquid Crystal Polymer

		Resin Grade	Dehumidifying Dryer Conditions	Melt
Resin	Code	Description	Ťime/Temp.	Temperature*
General Purpose Amorphous	HX1000 Neat Resin HX1130 30% Glass HX1330 30% Talc		Hopper Dryer Required Air Temperature: 120–150°C (250–300°F)	330–340°C (625–645°F)
High Temperature Crystalline	HX4000 HX4100 HX4200 HX4330	Neat Resin 30% Glass 50% Glass 30% Talc	Dew Point: -18°C (0°F) or lower Air Flow Rate: 0.8–1.0 CFM per lb/hr of resin processed	340–355°C (640–670°F)
High Toughness Crystalline	HX6000 HX6130 HX6150 HX6330	Neat Resin 30% Glass 50% Glass 30% Talc	Drying Time: Virgin resin 2–3 hr Recycled regrind 3–4 hr	345–360° C (650–680° F)
Tough/High Temperature Crystalline	HX7000 HX7130 HX7150 HX7330	Neat Resin 30% Glass 50% Glass 30% Talc		355–380°C (670–720°F)

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Table 5 DuPont Liquid Crystal Polymer

	Reciprocating Screw Machine*							
Resin Grade	Typical Cylinder Temperatures			Fill Screw		Back		
Code	Nozzle	Front	Center	Rear	Speed	Speed	Pressure	
HX1000 HX1130 HX1330	340°C (640°F)	335°C (635°F)	330° C (630°F)	325° C (620°F)	Very Fast (<1 sec)	Slow (<0.4 m/sec [16 in/sec])	Low 0-0.69 MPa (0-100 psi) Increasing back pressure increases the work done by the	
HX4000 HX4100 HX4200 HX4330	340° C (645°F)	340° C (640°F)	335°C (635°F)	330° C (625°F)	Very Fast (<1 sec)	Slow (<0.4 m/sec [16 in/sec])	screw on the melt. This has the following advantages and disadvantages:	
HX6000 HX6130 HX6150 HX6330	345°C (650°F)	340° C (645°F)	340° C (640°F)	335° C (635°F)	Very Fast (<1 sec)	Slow (<0.4 m/sec [16 in/sec])	Advantages Increases melt temperature and uniformity. Minimizes unmelted particles.	
HX7000 HX7130 HX7150 HX7330	355° C (670°F)	350°C (665°F)	345°C (655°F)	345° C (655°F)	Very Fast (<1 sec)	Slow (<0.4 m/sec [16 in/sec])	Improves color mixing when color concentrates are used. Disadvantages Decreases output of screw.	
							Increases drool (nozzle). Reduces glass fiber length in glass-reinforced resins, thus changing physical properties. Increases equipment wear	
							with filled resins. • Scrubs barrel (black specks).	

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Table 5 DuPont Liquid Crystal Polymer

	R	eciprocating Screw M		
Resin Grade Code	Pressure Injection	Holding (Packing) Pressure	Mold Surface Temperature*	Comments
HX1000 HX1130 HX1330	40–125 MPa (6,000–18,000 psi)	30–100 MPa (4,500–14,500 psi)	80–120°C (180–250°F)	Drying is critical, to prevent resin degradation. Moisture content must be less than 0.010%. If degradation should occur because of excessive moisture,
HX4000 HX4100 HX4200 HX4330	30–125 MPa (4,500–18,000 psi)	30–100 MPa (4,500–14,500 psi)	80–120°C (180–250°F)	there will be no evidence on the surfaces of parts. Being a shear-sensitive resin, high fill rates are required to obtain a low melt viscosity for easy filling of long thin wall
HX6000 HX6130 HX6150 HX6330	30–125 MPa (4,500–18,000 psi)	30–100 MPa (4,500–14,500 psi)	80–120°C (180–250°F)	sections. This also contributes to the anisotropic properties—including high physical properties, low thermal expansion and low mold shrinkage in the flow direction.
HX7000 HX7130 HX7150	30–125 MPa (4,500–18,000 psi)	30–100 MPa (4,500–14,500 psi)	80–120°C (180–250°F)	Gate locations should be chosen to avoid weld lines in critical areas. Multiple gates are generally not recommended.
HX7330 ———————————————————————————————————				Zenite has excellent thermal stability. In order to minimize any possible effect of glass breakage, it is recommended that regrind be limited initially to 25%.
				 It is not necessary to purge with another resin if Zenite is to be molded upon reheating. When switching to or from another resin, purge with low melt index high-density polyethylene. This should be a continuous purging whenever barrel temperatures exceed 315°C (600°F).
				General purpose screws are recommended to reduce glass fiber breakage. To reduce wear, bimetallic barrel liners and screw flight lands of a hard surfacing alloy are recommended.

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Typical Extrusion Conditions for Zytel, Delrin, and Hytrel

Table 6 Zytel, Delrin, Hytrel

		Resin Grade	Dehumidifying Dryer Conditions			
Resin Code Description		Description	Time/Temp.			
Zytel Nylon Resir	1					
66 Nylon	42 45HSB	High Viscosity Heat Stabilized 42—Lubricated	 Zytel must be dry prior to processing. Virgin resin is packaged dry in moisture-proof boxes and bags. Predrying may not be necessary in noncritical applications. Drying in dehumidified hopper driers is recommended (80°C [175°F] for 2 hr). Regrind or material from opened 			
612 Nylon	153HSL 158L 159L	Heat Stabilized—Lubricated General Purpose High Viscosity				
	350PHS Super Tough—Plasticized—Heat Stabilized 351PHS Highly Plasticized—Heat Stabilized		bags will require longer times. Consult the Zytel Molding Manual for more detailed			
6 Nylon	ST811HS	Flexible—Heat Stabilized	information.			
Modified Copolymers	91AHS	Heat Stabilized—Lubricated				
Delrin Acetal Res	sin					
High Viscosity II150SA 100ST		High Viscosity Toughened	Delrin does not usually require drying before processing. However, Delrin 100ST must be dried (2–4 hr at 80°C			
General Purpose	II550SA	General Purpose	- [175°F]).			
Hytrel Engineerin	g Thermoplas	stic Elastomer				
Most Flexible Grades and Lowest Melting	G3548W 4056	Flexible Grade with Color Stable Antioxidant Flexible Grade	Hytrel must be dry prior to extrusion. Virgin resin is packaged in moisture-proof bags. To ensure dryness, resin should be dried in dehumidifying driers a minimum of 2 hr at 105°C (220°F). Consult "Rheology and Handling" bulletin on Hytrel for more information.			
20Woot Molaing	HTR8122 G4074 G4078W	Most Flexible Grade Flexible Grade with High Heat Stabilizer Flexible Grade with Color Stable Antioxidant				
Low to Mid-Range Flexural Modulus	4069 4556	Flexible Grade, High Performance Mid-Range Flexibility with High Performance				
	5556 5555HS	Mid-Range Flexibility with High Performance Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer				
Mid-Range Flexibility	G4774 G5544 6356	Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer Mid-Range with High Performance				
High Strength and Stiffness	7246 8238	High Modulus, High Strength and Performance High Modulus, High Strength and Performance				
Special Grades	HTR6108	Mid-Range with Low Permeability to Fuels and Oils				
	HTR8139LV	Mid-Range Flexibility with Excellent Flex Fatigue Resistance				
High Viscosity Grades	HTR5612 HTR5612 BK HTR4275 HTR4275 BK	Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer Mid-Range Grade with High Heat Stabilizer				
	HTR8177	High Modulus, High Strength				

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Table 6 Zytel, Delrin, Hytrel

	Typical Extruder Temperatures*							
Rear	Center Rear	Center Front	Front	Head	Die	Melt	Comments	
ytel Nylo	n Resin			_				
290°C	280°C	280°C	275°C	275°C	275°C	290°C	Zytel, Hytrel and Delrin tubing may be sized	
(550°F)	(540°F)	(540°F)	(530°F)	(530°F)	(530°F)	(550°F)	using common commercial methods employed with other resins.	
240°C	240°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	An extruder with an L/D ratio of at least 24	
(460°F)	(460°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	is recommended. It is recommended that the barrel be equipped with at least four heat control	
230°C	225°C	220°C	220°C	220°C	220°C	220°C	zones.	
(450°F)	(440°F)	(430°F)	(430°F)	(430°F)	(430°F)	(430°F)	Do not use undercut feed throats.	
240°C	240°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	Properly designed single-stage metering	
(460°F)	(460°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	screws are adequate. For high output a	
240°C	240°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	 barrier screw is preferred. A breaker plate of streamlined design is 	
(460°F)	(460°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	(450°F)	suggested for supporting a screen pack of	
, ,		(+30 1 /	(430 1)	(430 1 /	(430 1 /	(430 1)	two 60 mesh and two 80 mesh screens.	
	tal Resin						 The extruder head and adaptor must be streamlined. 	
205°C (400°F)	205°C	200°C	200°C	200°C	205°C	210°C	The die and mandrel design for a vacuum	
(400°F)	(400°F)	(390°F)	(390°F)	(390°F)	(400°F)	(410°F)	sizing process should have: 1. A ratio of die I.D./sizing plate I.D. of at	
							least 2/1 for small diameter tubing.	
lytrel Eng	ineering The	rmoplastic El	astomer			1	 The annulus opening should be appromately twice the tube wall thickness. 	
180°C	180°C	180°C	180°C	180°C	180°C	180°C	 A minimum straight land length of 35 i 	
(355°F)	(355°F)	(355°F)	(355°F)	(355°F)	(355°F)	(355°F)	is recommended for both the mandrel and die at the exit.	
(000 . /	(000 . /	(666.7	(000 1)	(000 1)	(666.7)	(000 . /	Use a drawdown ratio of 4/1 to 10/1 for free	
							extrusion. (The drawdown ratio is the cross	
195°C (385°F)	195°C	195°C	195°C (385°F)	195°C	195°C	195°C	sectional area of the die annulus divided by t	
(303°F)	(385°F)	(385°F)	(305-F)	(385°F)	(385°F)	(385°F)	cross sectional area of the tube.)	
220°C	220°C	220°C	220°C	220°C	220°C	220°C		
(430°F)	(430°F)	(430°F)	(430°F)	(430°F)	(430°F)	(430°F)		
225°C	225°C	225°C	225°C	225°C	225°C	225°C	1	
(435°F)	(435°F)	(435°F)	(435°F)	(435°F)	(435°F)	(435°F)		
230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	230°C	1	
(445°F)	(445°F)	(445°F)	(445°F)	(445°F)	(445°F)	(445°F)		
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240°C	24000	240°C	2/10°C	24000	24000	2/1000		
240°C (465°F)	240°C (465°F)	240°C (465°F)	240°C (465°F)	240°C (465°F)	240°C (465°F)	240°C (465°F)		
(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)		
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(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)	(465°F)		
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