TUFFAK WG Polycarbonate

Window Grade

TUFFAK WG polycarbonate engineering plate is an amorphous thermoplastic sheet. It offers extremely high impact strength, high modulus of elasticity, and good mechanical and electrical properties. TUFFAK WG demonstrates low levels of black specs or other impurities.

Applications

Sight windows for tanks/vessels, viewport for windows, medical parts, military applications

Typical Properties				
Property	Test Method	Units	Values	
PHYSICAL				
Specific gravity	ASTM D 792	-	1.2	
Water absorption, 24 hours @ 73°F	ASTM D 570	%	0.15	
Poisson's ratio	ASTM E 132	-	0.38	
Haze	ASTM D 1746	%	1	
MECHANICAL				
Tensile strength, break	ASTM D 638	psi	9,500	
Tensile strength, yield	ASTM D 638	psi	9,000	
Tensile modulus	ASTM D 638	psi	340,000	
Elongation	ASTM D 638	%	110	
Flexural strength	ASTM D 790	psi	13,500	
Flexural modulus	ASTM D 790	psi	345,000	
Compressive strength	ASTM D 695	psi	12,500	
Compressive modulus	ASTM D 695	psi	345,000	
Shear strength, break	ASTM D 732	psi	10,000	
Shear strength, yield	ASTM D 732	psi	6,000	
Shear modulus	ASTM D 732	psi	114,000	
Rockwell hardness	ASTM D 785	-	M70 / R118	
THERMAL				
Coefficient of thermal expansion	ASTM D 696	in/in/°F	3.75 x 10⁻⁵	
Coefficient of thermal conductivity	ASTM C 177	BTU·in/hr·ft2·°F	1.35	
Heat deflection temperature @ 264 psi	ASTM D 648	°F	270	
Heat deflection temperature @ 66 psi	ASTM D 648	°F	280	
Brittleness temperature	ASTM D 746	°F	-200	
ELECTRICAL				
Dielectric constant @ 10 Hz	ASTM D 150	-	2.96	
Dielectric constant @ 60 Hz	ASTM D 150	-	3.17	
Volume resistivity	ASTM D 257	Ohm·cm	8.2 x 10 ¹⁶	
Dissipation factor @ 60 Hz	ASTM D 150	-	0.0009	
Dielectric strength, in air @ 0.125"	ASTM D 149	V/mil	380	
FLAMMABILITY				
Flame class @ 0.060"	UL 94	-	HB	



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Fabrication guidelines

Cutting: A circular saw blade with carbide teeth utilizing the "triple chip" tooth design is the preferred method of cutting TUFFAK WG polycarbonate sheet. Table or overhead panel saws are normally used. Circular saws should be run in the speed range of 6000-8000 ft/min. Blades for cutting 3/32" and thicker material should have 3-5 teeth per inch. The hook or rake angle should be 10°-15°.

Cautions

The following are suggested guidelines or concerns regarding machining working with TUFFAK WG polycarbonate sheet or any other engineering plastics.

1. Thermal expansion is up to 10 times greater than plastics than metals

2. Plastics will lose heat more slowly than metals

3. Avoid localized overheating

4. Softening/melting temperatures of plastics are much lower than metals

Regulatory code compliance and certifications

Polycarbonate sheet classification	A-A-59502	Type 1, Class 1
Polycarbonate resin classification	ASTM D 3935	PC0116
Flammability – Plastic component	UL 94	UL File #E87887

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