

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE – 15

CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
POLYMERS IN PACKAGING	4	2	0	2	Class 12th with Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics	-

Learning objectives

- To learn about the Packaging systems and role of Polymer in packaging
- To acquire knowledge of various types of polymers as packaging materials

Learning outcomes

After studying this paper, students will be able to

- Apprehend the basic concept of packaging and its utilization for desired applications
- Assess the quality of packaging material and packaged product
- Select the packaging material and can design a packaged product

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THEORY COMPONENT-

UNIT-1:

(10 Hours)

PACKAGING SYSTEMS

Types of packaging systems: box, bottle, tetrapack, pouch, shrink, vacuum packaging, controlled atmospheric packaging (CAP), modified atmospheric packaging (MAP), aseptic packaging.

UNIT 2:

(10 Hours)

POLYMERS IN PACKAGING

Importance of polymers in packaging. Property requirements of Polymers for packaging applications: Structure and process requirements for the required Properties and applications. Properties and applications: PE (LLDPE, LDPE, HDPE, HMHDPE), PP, BOPP PVC, nylons, polyester, polycarbonate, PS, EPS, PVA, Ionomers & Fluoro polymers.

UNIT 3:

(10 Hours)

TESTING OF POLYMER PACKAGING MATERIAL

Bursting strength, tensile strength, tear strength, puncture test, impact test (drop, falling dart), barrier properties test (water vapour, oxygen), sealing strength., migration & compatibility.

PRACTICAL COMPONENT

(60 Hours)

- Preparation of packaging films (PP/ HDPE/ LDPE/ LLDPE/PVA)
- To prepare polyester film and find its WVTR.
- Identification of packaging materials with the help of FT-IR, DSC, TGA etc.
- Preparation of laminate films by various methods (heat, solvent, adhesives)
- Determination of physico-mechanical properties (density, bursting strength, tensile strength, tear strength, puncture strength, impact strength etc) of packaging materials.
- Determination of water vapor transmission rate of packaging material.
- To determine the seal strength of packaging materials.
- To determine compatibility of packaging film with the packaged material.
- Industrial visit of packaging industry/plant

ESSENTIAL/RECOMMENDED READINGS

- Robertson G.L., (2012) Food Packaging – Principles and Practice, CRC Press Taylor and Francis Group.
- Paine F.A., Paine H.Y., (1992) A Handbook of Food Packaging, Blackie Academic and Professional
- Sharma S., Aggarwal M., Sharma D., (2019), Food Frontiers, New Delhi Publisher
- N. C. Saha, M. Garg, S. Dey Sadhu, A. K. Ghosh(2022) Food Packaging-Materials, Techniques and Environmental Issues” by published by Springer.
- Garg, M., Meena, P.L., Sadhu, S.D., Alam, T. (2019). Food Packaging: A Practical Guide : Viba Press Pvt. Ltd.

SUGGESTIVE READINGS

- Coles R., McDowell D., Kirwan M.J., (2003) Food Packaging Technology, Blackwell.
- Sukhareva L.A., Yakolev V.S., Legonkova O.A., (2008) Polymers for packaging and containers in the food industry, VSP.

Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch, University of Delhi, from time to time.