

Product Information

Ultramid® A3K FC Aqua UN is optimized for plastic parts, mandatory requiring material approvals for drinking water or direct food contact.

The product is approved according to

- 21 CFR FDA § 177.1500 "Nylon resins" (except contact with alcoholic beverages)
- European Food Contact European Food Contact Commission Regulation (EU) 10/2011
- GMP (EC) n°2023/2006

and provides the approvals for drinking water regulations of

- KTW-BWGL incl. DIN EN 16421
- WRAS
- ACS (disclosure of ingredients)
- NSF (disclosure of ingredients)

For questions regarding the compliance with further regulations, and certificates, please contact your local BASF representative or Plastics Safety (E-Mail: plastics.safety@basf.com).

Physical form and storage

The product is supplied in the form of granules with a bulk density of approx. 0.7 g/cm³. Standard packs are bag and bulk container (octagonal IBC=intermediate bulk container made from corrugated board with a liner bag). Other packaging materials and shipping in road or rail silo wagons are possible by agreement. The containers should only be opened immediately before processing or drying. To ensure that the delivered product absorbs as little moisture as possible, the containers should be stored in dry rooms and always carefully closed again after partial quantities have been withdrawn. In principle, the product can be stored for a long period of time. Containers stored in cold rooms should be equalized to ambient temperature before opening in order to avoid condensation on the granules. Regardless of the storage conditions, the product should be pre-dried according to our recommendations and the machine should preferably be loaded using a closed conveyor system.

Product safety

In case processing is done under conditions as recommended (cf. processing data sheet) melts are thermally stable and do not generate hazards by molecular degradation or the evolution of gases and vapors. Like all thermoplastic polymers the product decomposes on exposure to excessive thermal load, e.g. when it is overheated or as a result of cleaning by burning off. Further information is available from the safety data sheet.

Note

The data contained in this publication are based on our current knowledge and experience. In view of the many factors that may affect processing and application of our product, these data do not relieve processors from carrying out their own investigations and tests; neither do these data imply any guarantee of certain properties, nor the suitability of the product for a specific purpose. Any descriptions, drawings, photographs, data, proportions, weights etc. given herein may change without prior information and do not constitute the agreed contractual quality of the product. It is the responsibility of the recipient of our products to ensure that any proprietary rights and existing laws and legislation are observed. In order to check the availability of products please contact us or our sales agency.

Typical values for uncoloured product at 23 °C ¹⁾	Test method	Unit	Values ²⁾
Properties			
Polymer abbreviation	-	-	PA66
Density	ISO 1183	kg/m ³	1130
Viscosity number (0.5% in 96% H ₂ SO ₄)	ISO 307, 1157, 1628	cm ³ /g	150
Water absorption, saturation in water at 23°C	similar to ISO 62	%	8 - 9
Moisture absorption, equilibrium 23°C/50% r.h.	similar to ISO 62	%	2.5 - 3.1
Processing			
Melting temperature, DSC	ISO 11357-1/-3	°C	260
MVR 275 °C/5 kg	ISO 1133	cm ³ /10min	115
Melt temperature, injection moulding/extrusion	-	°C	280 - 300
Mould temperature, injection moulding	-	°C	60 - 80
Moulding shrinkage, constrained ³⁾	-	%	0.85
Molding shrinkage (parallel)	ISO 294-4	%	1.60
Molding shrinkage (normal)	ISO 294-4	%	1.80
Flammability			
Automotive materials (Thickness 1 mm) ⁴⁾	ISO 3795, FMVSS 302	-	+
Mechanical properties			dry / cond.
Tensile modulus	ISO 527-1/-2	MPa	3100 / 1100
Yield stress, 50 mm/min	ISO 527-1/-2	MPa	85 / 50
Yield strain, 50 mm/min	ISO 527-1/-2	%	5 / 20
Nominal strain at break, 50 mm/min	ISO 527-1/-2	%	30 / >50
Tensile creep modulus, 1000 h, strain ≤ 0.5%, 23°C	ISO 899-1	MPa	* / 700
Flexural modulus	ISO 178	MPa	2900 / -
Charpy unnotched impact strength (23°C)	ISO 179/1eU	kJ/m ²	N / N
Charpy unnotched impact strength (-30°C)	ISO 179/1eU	kJ/m ²	N / -
Charpy notched impact strength (23°C)	ISO 179/1eA	kJ/m ²	5 / 20
Charpy notched impact strength (-30°C)	ISO 179/1eA	kJ/m ²	4 / -
Izod notched impact strength (23°C)	ISO 180/A	kJ/m ²	5.5 / N
Izod notched impact strength (-30°C)	ISO 180/A	kJ/m ²	6 / -
Thermal properties			
Deflection temp. under load 1.8 MPa (HDT A)	ISO 75-1/-2	°C	75
Deflection temp. under load 0.45 MPa (HDT B)	ISO 75-1/-2	°C	220
Max. service temperature (short cycle operation)	-	°C	200
Temperature index at 50% loss of tensile strength after 5000 h	IEC 60216	°C	118
Temperature index at 50% loss of tensile strength after 20000 h	IEC 60216	°C	101
Coefficient of linear thermal expansion, longitudinal (23-55)°C	ISO 11359-1/-2	E-6/K	98
Thermal conductivity	DIN 52612-1	W/(m K)	0.33
Specific heat capacity	-	J/(kg*K)	1700
Electrical properties			dry / cond.
Relative permittivity (1 MHz)	IEC 62631-2-1	-	3.2 / 5
Dissipation factor (1 MHz)	IEC 62631-2-1	E-4	250 / 2000
Volume resistivity	IEC 62631-3-1	Ohm*m	1E13 / 1E10
Surface resistivity	IEC 62631-3-2	Ohm	1E13 / 1E10
Comparative tracking index, CTI, test liquid A	IEC 60112	-	600

Footnotes

1) If product name or properties don't state otherwise.

2) The asterisk symbol "*" signifies inapplicable properties.

3) Test box with central gating, dimensions of base (107*47*1,5) mm, processing condition: TM = 290°C, TW = 60°C

4) + = passed

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