**BLS 2222**

**LOW DENSITY BLACK POLYETHYLENE COMPOUND**

**FOR POWER AND TELECOMMUNICATION CABLES**

**DESCRIPTION**

BLS Polymers Ltd. introduces another sophisticated compound for sheathing of MV, HV, EHV Power Cables and Telecommunication Cables – **BLS 2222** a LDPE and Copolymer modified based Black Sheathing Compound protected against Ultraviolet degradation and thermal degradation. This compound is made from specially selected LDPE resin, UV stabiliser and RoHS compliant that provides a balance of toughness, low shrinkage, high moisture barrier, high abrasion resistance, excellent weathering resistance, excellent chemical resistance, high ESCR.

**SPECIFICATION**

It meets the requirements of raw material for manufacturing of Cables as per –

ASTM D 1248 Type II, Class C, Category 4 Grade E5, J3, BS 6234, ISO 1872-PE, EN 50290-2-24,

IEC 60502, Part2, Type ST3, IEC 60840, ST 3, IEC 60708, DIN VDE 0207 Type 2YM2.

**TYPICAL PROPERTIES**

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| **PROPERTY** | **UNIT** | **TEST METHOD** | **TYPICAL VALUE** |
| Density | gm / cc | ASTM D 792 | 0.933 |
| Melt Flow Index (190ºC, Load of 2.16 Kg) | gm / 10 min | ASTM D 1238 | 0.80 |
| Tensile Strength at Break | Kg / cm² | ASTMD 638 | 170 |
| Elongation at Break | % | ASTMD 638 | 700 |
| Thermal Stress Cracking Resistance | hours | ASTM D 2951 | >96 |
| O.I.T. | Minutes | ASTMD 3895 | >70 |
| ESCR,10% Igepal, 50ºC for 1000 hrs. |  | ASTM D-1693 | No Cracks observed |
| Moisture Content | % | ASTM D-817 | 0.02 |
| Dissipation factor tan d |  | ASTMD 150 | 0.0005 |
| Volume Resistivity | ohm-cm | ASTMD 257 | >1 X 10^15 |
| Di-electric Constant |  | ASTM D 150 | 2.35 |
| Dielectric Strength | kV/mm | ASTM D 149 | >22 |
| Hardness (1 sec) | Shore D | ASTM D 2240 | 52±1 |
| Brittleness Temperature, -76ºC |  | ASTM D 746 | PASSES |
| UV Resistance for 1000 hours | hrs | ASTM 154-12A | No cracks or stickiness |

\*The typical values reported in the above table have been obtained from measurements made on extruded samples or pressed plates.

**PROCESSING GUIDELINES**

It is advisable to preheat the **BLS 2222** at 80°C for 2-3 hours at the time of use for best results.

**BLS 2222** can be processed in standard PE extruder.

Recommended Processing Condition **BLS 2222**:

As a start-up we suggest set the following temperature profile

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Zone 1 | Zone 2 | Zone 3 | Zone 4 | Flange | Head | Die |
| 160±10 | 170±10 | 180±10 | 190±10 | 200±10 | 200±10 | 210±10 |

with minimum draw down ratio between 1:1.2 for pressure tooling.

However, actual temperature profile will depend upon the screw compression ratio, L/D ratio, type of extrusion sleeve or pressure.

**PACKING**

**BLS 2222** is available in 25 Kg Woven Sack Bags with liner, 700 Kg Jumbo Bags with liner.

**STORAGE & SELF LIFE**

**BLS 2222** must be stored in ambient temperature (not exceeding 50⁰C) in a shaded area in sealed and intact bags to avoid exposure to sunlight and moisture. Long storing may affect the property of the compound and for this reason should be used within 12 months from the compounding date. It is better to measure the moisture and dry the material using dehumidifier dryer before use after long storage.

**SAFETY**

The product is not classified as a hazardous preparation. Dust and fines from the product carry a risk of dust explosion. All equipment should be properly earthed. Inhalation of dust should be avoided as it may cause irritation of the respiratory system. Small amounts of fumes are generated during processing of the product. Proper ventilation is therefore required.

Please refer to our MSDS for details on various aspects of safety, recovery, disposal and handling of the product.

**RECYCLING**

The product is suitable for recycling using various methods of shredding and cleaning in-house production waste should be kept clean to facilitate direct recycling.

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