# Westlake LDPE EF601

## Low Density Polyethylene

### Westlake Chemical Corporation

#### Message:

Westlake EF601 is a fractional melt LDPE with excellent toughness. It is suggested in heavy duty films and shipping sacks, and in industrial shrink applications. It can be used as a bubble stabilizer in LLDPE rich films.

Application/Uses:

Heavy duty bags

Heavy duty shipping sacks

Industrial shrink film

Heavy duty C&A sheeting

General Information

Features	Good toughness				
Uses	Films				
	Bags				
	Sheet				
	Shrinkable film				
	Heavy packing bag				
Agency Ratings	FDA 21 CFR 177.1520				
Forms	Particle				
Processing Method	Blow film				
	Extrusion				
Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Density	0.919	g/cm³	ASTM D1505		
Melt Mass-Flow Rate (MFR) (190°C/2.16					
kg)	0.25	g/10 min	ASTM D1238		
Mechanical	Nominal Value	Nominal Value Unit			
Coefficient of Friction	0.50 ASTM D1894		ASTM D1894		
Films	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method		
Film Thickness - Tested	51	μm			
secant modulus <sup>1</sup>			ASTM D882		
1% secant, MD: 51 μm, blown film	152	MPa	ASTM D882		
1% secant, TD: 51 μm, blown film	193	MPa	ASTM D882		
Tensile Strength <sup>2</sup>			ASTM D882		
MD: Broken, 51 µm, blown film	24.1	MPa	ASTM D882		
TD: Broken, 51 µm, blown film	18.6 MPa ASTM D882		ASTM D882		
Tensile Elongation <sup>3</sup>			ASTM D882		
MD: Broken, 51 µm, blown film	250 % AST		ASTM D882		
TD: Broken, 51 µm, blown film	750	%	ASTM D882		

Dart Drop Impact <sup>4</sup> (51 μm, Blown Film)	500	g	ASTM D1709
Additional Information			

Test specimens for blown film: nominal thickness 2.0 mils; blow up ratio 2.5:1, die gap 35 mils.Melt temperatures of 360° F - 400° F are recommended for Westlake Chemical EF601 with blow-up ratios of 1.5:1 or higher.

Extrusion	Nominal Value	Unit
Melt Temperature	182 - 204	°C
NOTE		
1.	Test run at 23°C (73°F) and 50% relative humidity	
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