Visico™ LE4421/LE4460/ LE4437

Polyethylene

Borealis AG

Message:

General Information

Elastomers

Tensile Strength (Yield)

Visico LE4421/LE4460/LE4437 is a scorch retardant, moisture-crosslinking polyethylene compound for low voltage insulation LE4421/LE4460/LE4437 is a natural, moisture-induced crosslinking polyethylene compound that is designed for use as low voltage wire insulation and jacketing. The combination of a VISICO LE4421 base resin, along with the LE4460 brominated flame retardant masterbatch and the LE4437 catalyst, provides a highly scorch retardant compound with excellent thermal stability and good retardant flame properties. LE4421/LE4460/LE4437 contains a patented scorch retardant additive (SRA) that increases the processing window for a moisture crosslinking compound and minimizes the tendency for premature crosslinking in the extruder, head or die.

A finished compound that is composed of 75 parts of LE4421 mixed with 20 parts of LE4460 and 5 parts of LE4437 is recognized by Underwriters Laboratories as VISICO HORIZONTAL. VISICO HORIZONTAL is designed to reduce normal PE flame spread characteristics and achieve an HB-1 flame rating on 14 AWG wires and larger. LE4437 also provides, in addition to catalyst, a stabilization package containing suitable antioxidants, a metal passivator and a metal deactivator. Properly mixed, during the extrusion process, LE4421/LE4460/LE4437 exhibits excellent thermal stability to oxidation. LE4421/LE4460/LE4437 is readily pigmented to a variety of colors using standard wire & cable color concentrates designed for thermoplastic or crosslinked polyethylene. UV weather resistance is obtained by the addition of a suitable carbon black or UV additive. Using Visico LE4432 in place of LE4437 combines a tin catalyst along with the proper carbon black to provide a black, UV resistant, moisture crosslinking cable insulation.

General Information			
Features	Flame Retardant		
	Good Thermal Stability		
	Good UV Resistance		
Uses	Cable Jacketing		
	Wire & Cable Applications		
	Wire Jacketing		
Agency Ratings	ASTM D 2655		
	EC 502		
	HD 603 S1		
	NBN C 33-321		
	NF C 33-210		
	UL 44		
	UL 854		
Physical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Specific Gravity			ASTM D792
Base Resin	0.923	g/cm³	
Yellow	0.941	g/cm³	
1	2.00	g/cm³	
Melt Mass-Flow Rate (MFR) (190°C/2.16			
kg)	0.90	g/10 min	ASTM D1238
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Unit

MPa

Test Method

ASTM D412

Nominal Value

16.5

Tensile Elongation (Break)	300	%	ASTM D412
Aging	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Mechanical Properties After Aging in Air Oven, 121°C, 168 hr (Change in Tensile			
Strength)	< -10	%	IEC 60811
Thermal	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Hot Set ²			ICEA T-28-562
Elongation under load : 150°C	< 50	%	
Permanent deformation : 150°C	< 5.0	%	
Horizontal Flame Test ³	PASS		
Electrical	Nominal Value	Unit	Test Method
Volume Resistivity	1.0E+16	ohms·cm	ASTM D257
Dielectric Strength	> 22	kV/mm	ASTM D149
Dielectric Constant (60 Hz)	2.50		ASTM D150
Dissipation Factor (60 Hz)	5.0E-4		ASTM D150
Extrusion	Nominal Value	Unit	
Cylinder Zone 1 Temp.	146	°C	
Cylinder Zone 2 Temp.	163	°C	
Cylinder Zone 3 Temp.	171	°C	
Cylinder Zone 4 Temp.	171	°C	
Die Temperature	177	°C	
NOTE			
1.	Masterbatch		
2.	0.20 MPa		
3.	14 AWG-30 mil		

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