

Conductive Plastics

Thermoplastics can become conductive through the incorporation of conductive fillers. At low filler concentrations, the high electrical resistance of the thermoplastic matrix predominates and conductivity is low. Above a certain filler concentration, a continuous electrically conductive path is formed, i.e., percolation network. Above this concentration, percolation threshold, conductivity increases significantly. The percolation threshold depends critically on the geometry of the filler, with fibers that have high L/D ratio, percolation threshold can be achieved below a 5 (wt)% concentration.

Celstran LFRTs are filled with stainless steel and/or carbon fiber to achieve conductivity. Practical trials have shown that a content of 6 (wt)% stainless steel fibers achieves antistatic performance and a content of 10 (wt)% provides effective EMI/RFI protection.

Celstran® LFRT – Stainless Steel Filled							
Resin System			ABS				Nylon 6/6
Stainless Steel Level		wt%	6	6	10	10	6
Grade Designation			ABS-SF-6-01	ABS-SF-6-02	ABS-SF-10-01	ABS-SF-10-02	PA66-SF6-01
Property	ASTM Method	Unit					
<i>Physical</i>							
Specific Gravity	D792	gr/cm ³	1.11	1.28	1.16	1.32	1.19
Mold Shrinkage	D955	in/in					
Flow			0.004	0.004	0.004	0.004	0.004
Transverse			0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005	0.005
<i>Mechanical</i>							
Tensile Modulus	D638	psi	400,000	300,000	400,000	400,000	500,000
Tensile Strength @ Break	D638	psi	6,900	5,200	7,100	5,700	11,300
Elongation @ Break	D638	%	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.9
Flexural Modulus	D790	psi	400,000	300,000	500,000	400,000	500,000
Flexural Strength	D790	psi	12,100	9,700	11,800	10,200	18,100
Izod Impact Strength	D256	ft-lb/in					
Notched			1.1	1.4	1.4	1.5	0.7
<i>Thermal</i>							
Heat Deflection Temperature 264 psi	D648	°F	185	190	187	195	170
<i>Electrical</i>							
Volume Resistivity	D257	ohm-cm	<0.8	<0.8	<0.5	<0.5	<0.8
Flammability	UL94			V-0		V-0	

Celstran® LFRT – Stainless Steel Filled

Resin System			Nylon 66			Polycarbonate		
Stainless Steel Level		wt%	6	10	10	6	6	10
Grade Designation			PA66-SF6-02	PA66-SF-10-01	PA66-SF-10-02	PC-SF6-01	PC-SF6-02	PC-SF-10-01
Property	ASTM Method	Unit	Heat Stabilized					
<i>Physical</i>								
Specific Gravity	D792	gr/cm ³	1.19	1.24	1.24	1.26	1.26	1.31
Mold Shrinkage	D955	in/in						
Flow			0.004	0.003	0.003	0.004	0.004	0.004
Transverse			0.005	0.004	0.004	0.005	0.005	0.005
<i>Mechanical</i>								
Tensile Modulus	D638	psi	500,000	600,000	600,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
Tensile Strength @ Break	D638	psi	11,300	11,500	11,500	9,400	9,400	9,800
Elongation @ Break	D638	%	2.9	2.6	2.6	4.7	5.1	4.0
Flexural Modulus	D790	psi	500,000	500,000	500,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
Flexural Strength	D790	psi	18,100	18,100	18,100	14,200	13,500	14,000
Izod Impact Strength	D256	ft-lb/in						
Notched			0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.3	1.7
<i>Thermal</i>								
Heat Deflection Temperature 264 psi	D648	°F	170	175	175	270	260	270
<i>Electrical</i>								
Volume Resistivity	D257	ohm-cm	<0.8	<0.5	<0.5	<0.8	<0.8	<0.5
Flammability	UL94						V-0	

Celstran® LFRT – Stainless Steel Filled

Resin System			Polycarbonate	ABS/Polycarbonate			
Stainless Steel Level		wt%	10	6	6	10	10
Grade Designation			PC-SF-10-02	PCABS-SF-6-02	PCABS-SF-6-05	PCABS-SF-10-02	PCABS-SF-10-05
Property	ASTM Method	Unit					
<i>Physical</i>							
Specific Gravity	D792	gr/cm ³	1.31	1.20	1.20	1.3	1.24
Mold Shrinkage	D955	in/in					
Flow			0.004	—	—	—	—
Transverse			0.005	—	—	—	—
<i>Mechanical</i>							
Tensile Modulus	D638	psi	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
Tensile Strength @ Break	D638	psi	9,900	8,100	8,100	8,700	8,700
Elongation @ Break	D638	%	4.0	3.8	3.8	3.4	3.4
Flexural Modulus	D790	psi	400,000	400,000	400,000	500,000	500,000
Flexural Strength	D790	psi	16,200	13,300	13,300	14,500	14,500
Izod Impact Strength	D256	ft-lb/in					
Notched			1.5	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.0
<i>Thermal</i>							
Heat Deflection Temperature 264 psi	D648	°F	260	195	230	195	230
<i>Electrical</i>							
Volume Resistivity	D257	ohm-cm	<0.5	<0.8	<0.8	<0.7	<0.5
Flammability	UL94		V-0	V-0	—	V-0	—

Celstran® LFRT – Stainless Steel Filled

Resin System			Acetal Copolymer		Polypropylene	Thermoplastic	Polyurethane
Stainless Steel Level		wt%	6	10	6	6	10
Grade Designation			POM-SF-6-02	POM-SF-10-02	PP-SF-6-02	TPU-SF-6-01	TPU-SF-10-01
Property	ASTM Method	Unit					
<i>Physical</i>							
Specific Gravity	D792	gr/cm ³	1.48	1.54	0.95	1.26	1.31
Mold Shrinkage	D955	in/in					
Flow			—	—	0.005	—	—
Transverse			—	—	0.006	—	—
<i>Mechanical</i>							
Tensile Modulus	D638	psi	300,000	500,000	200,000	300,000	300,000
Tensile Strength @ Break	D638	psi	7,000	9,600	4,000	6,900	8,300
Elongation @ Break	D638	%	5.3	3.0	8.9	4.9	4.7
Flexural Modulus	D790	psi	200,000	400,000	200,000	300,000	300,000
Flexural Strength	D790	psi	9,300	13,700	6,200	10,400	11,100
Izod Impact Strength	D256	ft-lb/in					
Notched			1.3	0.9	0.2	2.3	1.3
<i>Thermal</i>							
Heat Deflection Temperature 264 psi	D648	°F	230	230	125	145	155
<i>Electrical</i>							
Volume Resistivity	D257	ohm-cm	<0.8	<0.5	<0.8	<0.8	<0.5
Flammability	UL94		—	—	—	—	—

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