

Tecnoflon® T 538

Raw Terpolymers

Tecnoflon® T 538 is a low viscosity fluoroelastomer terpolymer with 68.5% fluorine content. Tecnoflon® T 538 has been designed and synthesized with a new patented polymerization technology that assures improved processability and outstanding physical properties. Tecnoflon® T 538 does not contain curatives: therefore the proper levels of Tecnoflon® FOR M1 and Tecnoflon® FOR M2 must be added to achieve the required properties.

Tecnoflon® T 538 exhibits the chemical resistance typical of fluoroelastomer terpolymers. It is well suited for applications requiring better chemical resistance and/or long term heat resistance compared to fluoroelastomer copolymers.

Some of the basic properties of Tecnoflon® T 538 are:

- Excellent chemical resistance
- Good heat resistance
- Excellent processability

Tecnoflon® T 538 can be used for compression, injection and transfer molding of shaft seals, valve stem seals, gaskets or any item requiring excellent chemical resistance. Tecnoflon® T 538 can be combined with the cure system and other typical fluoroelastomer compounding ingredients. Mixing can be accomplished with two roll mills or internal mixers.

Tecnoflon® T 538 can be extruded into hoses or profiles and can be calendered to make sheet stocks or belting. Finished goods can be produced by a variety of rubber processing methods.

Handling and safety

Normal care and precautions should be taken to avoid skin contact, eye contact and breathing of fumes. Smoking is prohibited in working areas. Wash hands before eating or smoking. For complete health and safety information, please refer to the material safety data sheet.

Basic characteristics of the raw polymer are as follows

Property	Typical Value	Unit	Test Method
ML (1+10') at 121 °C	26	MU	ASTM D1646
Fluorine content	68.5	%	Solvay Internal Method – NMR
Specific gravity	1.88	g/cm ³	ASTM D792
Colour	Translucent		
Packaging/Form	Slabs		
Solubility	Ketones and esters		

Typical properties

Test Compound	Typical Value	Unit	Test Method
Tecnoflon® T 538	100	phr	
Tecnoflon® FOR M1	5	phr	
Tecnoflon® FOR M2	3.5	phr	
MgO–DE	3	phr	
Ca(OH) ₂	6	phr	
N-990 MT Carbon Black	30	phr	

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Mooney viscosity ML (1+10') at 121 °C	50	MU	ASTM D1646
Mooney Scorch MS 135 °C			ASTM D1646
MV	22	MU	
t ₁₅	10.5	min	
ODR 12 min at 177 °C arc 3°			ASTM D2084
Minimum torque	8	lb·in	
Maximum torque	61	lb·in	
t _{s2}	2.0	min	
t' ₉₀	3.2	min	
MDR 6 min at 177 °C arc 0.5°			ASTM D6601
Minimum torque	0.8	lb·in	
Maximum torque	14.8	lb·in	
t _{s2}	1.1	min	
t' ₅₀	1.3	min	
t' ₉₀	2.0	min	
Press cure: 10 min at 170 °C			
100 % Modulus	3.5	MPa	ASTM D412C
Tensile strength	8.1	MPa	
Elongation at break	325	%	
Hardness	73	ShoreA	ASTM D2240
Post cure: (8+16) h at 250 °C			
100 % Modulus	4.7	MPa	ASTM D412C
Tensile strength	12.1	MPa	
Elongation at break	250	%	
Hardness	75	ShoreA	ASTM D2240
Compression set			ASTM D395
25 % deformation, 70 h at 200 °C			method B
O-ring #214	31	%	
6 mm buttons	27	%	
Temperature retraction			ASTM D1329
TR ₁₀	-13	°C	

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