

DuPont™ Booster™ BL-HP

Booster™ resins Product Data Sheet

Description

Product Description: Booster™ BL-HP is a modified linear low-density polyethylene polymer intended for use as a melt strength enhancer in extrusion processing of LLDPE and HDPE resins.

Restrictions

Material Status: Commercial: Active

Typical Characteristics

Uses: Plastics Modification

Features: Booster™ can significantly increase productivity in the extrusion processing of LLDPE and HDPE resins. Booster™ does not interfere with other additives, and is approved for food contact applications.

Characteristics / Benefits: Increases in melt strength achieved by the addition of Booster™ can mean:
 - production rate increases of up to 50%
 - enhanced gauge uniformity, allowing downgauging of up to 20%
 - enhanced capability for producing both very thin and very thick films

Applications:
 * Blown & Cast Film
 * Mono & Multi layer structures
 * Extrusion Coating
 * Blow Molding

Typical Properties

Physical	Nominal Values	Test Method(s)	
*Density ()	0.93 g/cm ³	ASTM D792	ISO 1183
*Melt Flow Rate (*** see note below ***)	75 g/10 min	ASTM D1238	ISO 1133

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 *** DO NOT place this resin in a melt flow rate tester (melt indexer). This is a reactive polymer when exposed to heat. The MFR reported is that of the base compound for DuPont quality control purposes only. ***
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Thermal	Nominal Values	Test Method(s)	
*Melting Point (DSC)	123 °C (253.4 °F)	ASTM D3418	ISO 3146

Processing Information

*Maximum Processing Temperature: 300 °C (572 °F)

General Processing Information: Booster™ is supplied in pellet form, and is normally added to the base resin at a level of 1% to 3 wt%, dependent upon the desired level of productivity improvement.

In general, when using Booster™, no processing changes are necessary to regular recommended extrusion conditions. Process temperatures must be high enough to produce a melt free from localized temperature fluctuations and shear stresses.

Although lower processing temperatures may give slightly higher melt strength, they can result in poor-quality melt and film with less than optimum physical properties. The addition of Booster™ will more than compensate for any loss of melt strength caused by higher temperatures.

Scrap film containing Booster™ can be reclaimed and reprocessed; gel levels and film physical properties will be comparable to those seen with regular resin reclaim.

Note: Booster™ does not reduce melt fracture, nor does it act as a lubricant to reduce extruder power requirements.

Note: When processing PE blends with Booster™, do not idle the extruder for an extended period. If the line needs to be stopped, keep the screw moving at a low RPM to keep polymer flowing through the system and out through the die. If a line needs to be idled for an extended period of time, or is being shut down, then purge the line with plain PE resin, to remove all material containing Booster™ from the polymer flow passages from hopper to die exit.

FDA Status Information

USA: --- When used in a food-approved grade of LLDPE at a level of 2%, Booster™ complies with Section 177.1520 of Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, entitled Olefin Polymer.

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