

MAGNUM 3404

Natural Plus ABS Resins

The mass (continuous process) ABS technology of Dow ensures an ABS resin that combines excellent processability with a stable light base colour that is ideal for self-colouring.

MAGNUM* 3404 is an excellent general purpose extrusion/thermoforming resin with outstanding processability.

Applications

- Transportation
- Sanitary ware
- Leisure

Properties ⁽¹⁾	Test Method			Value
	ISO	ASTM	DIN	
Physical Properties				
Density, kg/m ³	1183B	D-792-B	53479-B	1050
Bulk density, kg/m ³	60	D-1895	53468	650
Melt flow rate (230 °C/3.8 kg), g/10 min.	1133	D-1238	53735-N	1.8
	1133	D-1238	53735-U	5.5
Thermal Properties				
Vicat softening point (50 °C/h, 5 kg), °C	306B	D-1525-A	53460	100
Vicat softening point (120 °C/h, 1 kg), °C	306A	D-1525-B		110
HDT, annealed (120 °C/hr, 1.82 MPa), °C	75/A	D-648	53461-A	101
Mechanical Properties				
Charpy notched, kJ/m ²	23 °C	179/2C	53453	13
	0 °C	179/2C	53453	11
	-20 °C	179/2C	53453	10
	-40 °C	179/2C	53453	8
Charpy notched, kJ/m ²	23 °C	179/1eA	53453	16.5
	-30 °C	179/1eA	53453	9
Charpy unnotched, kJ/m ²	23 °C	179/1eU	53453	no break
	-30 °C	179/1eU	53453	no break
Izod notched, kJ/m ²	23 °C	180/1A		22
Tensile yield, 100 mm/min., MPa	DIS527/D	D-638-M	53455-6-3	46
Tensile elongation, %	DIS527/D	D-638-M	53455-6-3	40
Tensile modulus, 1 mm/min., MPa	DIS527/A		53455-t-3	2200
Flexural strength, 1 mm/min., MPa	178	D-790-M	53452	70
Flexural modulus, 3 point, MPa	178	D-790-M-A	53457-B3	2150
Flexural modulus, 4 point, MPa		D-790-M-B	53457-B4	2200
Shear modulus, MPa	537	D-4065	53445	880
Rockwell hardness, R-scale	2039/2	D-785B		85
Ball indentation	2039		53456	100
Flammability Ratings				
Flame class rating ^(2,3)	all colours			HB
Special Properties				
UV stability, 300 hrs ⁽⁴⁾				

(1) Typical properties, not to be construed as specification limits.

(2) This numerical flame-spread rating is not intended to reflect hazards presented by material under actual fire conditions.

(3) UL ratings are given for the density reduction range 0–15 % (see UL listing for details).

(4) UV stability is colour-dependent.

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The following comments are general and apply only to MAGNUM ABS resins as supplied. Various additives and processing aids used in fabrication and other materials used in finishing steps have their own safe use profile and must be investigated separately.

Hazards and Handling Precautions

MAGNUM ABS resins have a very low degree of toxicity and under normal conditions of use should pose no unusual problems from ingestion, eye or skin contact. However, caution is advised when handling, storing, using or disposing of these resins and good housekeeping and controlling of dusts are necessary for safe handling of product. Workers should be protected from the possibility of contact with molten resin during fabrication.

Handling and fabrication of plastic resins can result in the generation of vapours and dusts. Dusts resulting from sawing, filing and sanding of plastic parts in post-moulding operations may cause irritation to eyes and upper respiratory tract. In dusty atmospheres, use an approved dust respirator. Granules or beads may present a slipping hazard. Good general ventilation of the polymer processing area is recommended. Processing may release fumes which may include polymer fragments and other decomposition products. Fumes can be irritating. At temperatures exceeding melt temperature, polymer fragments can occur. Good general ventilation should be sufficient for most conditions. Local exhaust ventilation may be necessary for some operations.

Use safety glasses. If there is a potential for exposure to particles which could cause mechanical injury to the eye, wear chemical goggles. If vapour exposure causes eye discomfort, use a full-face respirator. No other precautions other than clean body-covering clothing should be needed for handling MAGNUM ABS resins. Use gloves with insulation for thermal protection, when needed.

Combustibility

MAGNUM ABS resins will burn, and once ignited, may burn rapidly under the right conditions of heat and oxygen supply. Do not permit dust to accumulate. Dust layers can be ignited by spontaneous combustion or other ignition sources. When suspended in air, dust can pose an explosion hazard. Dense black smoke is produced when product burns. Toxic fumes are released in fire situations. Fire fighters should wear positive-pressure, self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective equipment. Water or water fog are the preferred extinguishing media. Foam, alcohol resistant foam, carbon dioxide, or dry chemicals may also be used. Soak thoroughly with water to cool and prevent re-ignition.

Disposal

DO NOT DUMP INTO ANY SEWERS, ON THE GROUND, OR INTO ANY BODY OF WATER. For unused or uncontaminated material, the preferred options include sending to a licensed recycler, reclaimer, incinerator or other thermal destruction device. For used or contaminated material, the disposal options remain the same, although additional evaluation is required (see, for example, in the USA 40 CFR, Part 261, "Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste"). All disposal methods must be in compliance with Federal, State/Provincial and local laws and regulations.

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