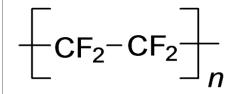


MT215

Polytetrafluoroethylene

(PTFE with Mineral Fibers)



SPECIFICATIONS

Property	Spec	Value
Specific Gravity	ASTM D4745	2.2046 g/cm³
Tensile CD*	ASTM D4745	3878.9 psi
Elongation CD*	ASTM D4745	240.44%
Hardness Shore D	ASTM D2240	65D
Bulk Density	ASTM D4745	676g/lt
Shrink	ASTM D4745	2.36%

^{*}CD (Cross Direction) - Perpendicular to the mold direction

DESCRIPTION

MT215 is a PTFE material with hardness 65D, specially compounded with mineral fiber fillers. Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) has exceedingly strong carbon-fluoride bonds (C-F). PTFE has a simple, linear, flexible and regular molecular structure, which makes it highly crystalline. Commercial PTFE is a high molecular weight polymer. Fluorine atoms form a tight sheath of protection providing PTFE with extreme molecular and physical properties. The sheath prevents PTFE from external influences upon the carbon-carbon backbone. It also results in weak interactions/bindings between polymer chains. These molecular structure properties make PTFE extremely resistant to chemicals or solvents even at very high temperatures and high pressures. PTFE also has very low friction and good anti-stick characteristics. PTFE is tough and flexible even at very low temperatures. However the same molecular structure properties result in mediocre mechanical properties with low stiffness and strength among thermoplastics. PTFE articles cannot be formed with conventional processes for thermoplastics because it does not flow above its crystalline melting point. Parts can be formed by a sintering process under high temperatures.