

Technical data sheet

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RIBLENE®

FC 20

LDPE

Low density polyethylene

Riblene FC 20 is a high molecular weight low density polyethylene resin (LDPE) suitable for blown film extrusion.

Riblene FC 20 is characterised by a high melt strength leading to a good bubble stability during extrusion. Films manufactured by Riblene FC 20 are easily heat shrinkable and characterised by optimum mechanical properties.

Main Applications

Riblene FC 20 is recommended for the production of greenhouse film, heavy duty shrink film and industrial bags.

Main Properties

Resin Properties	Value	Unit	Test Method
Melt Flow Rate (190 °C/2,16 kg)	0,25	g/10min	ISO 1133
Melt Flow Rate (190 °C/5 kg)	-	g/10min	ISO 1133
Melt Flow Rate (190 °C/21,6 kg)	-	g/10min	ISO 1133
Density	0,922	g/cm ³	ISO 1183
Melting Point	110	°C	Internal method
Brittleness temperature	< -75	°C	ASTM D 746
Vicat softening point (1 kg)	93	°C	ISO 306/A

Film Properties *	Value	Unit	Test Method
Tensile stress at yield MD	10	MPa	ISO 527-3
Tensile stress at yield TD	11	MPa	ISO 527-3
Tensile stress at break MD	25	MPa	ISO 527-3
Tensile stress at break TD	25	MPa	ISO 527-3
Elongation at break MD	400	%	ISO 527-3
Elongation at break TD	550	%	ISO 527-3
1% Secant modulus MD	160	MPa	ISO 527-3
1% Secant modulus TD	180	MPa	ISO 527-3
Elmendorf tear resistance MD	25	N/mm	ISO 6383-2
Elmendorf tear resistance TD	25	N/mm	ISO 6383-2
Impact resistance F50 (Dart Drop Test)	290	g	ISO 7765-1/A
Dynamic coefficient of friction (COF)	> 0,5	-	ISO 8295
Haze	20	%	ISO 14782
Gloss, 45°	30	%	ASTM D 2457
Recommended film thickness	60 ÷ 250	micron	-

(*) Typical value for a film extruded with BUR 1:3, thickness 70 µm. Actual properties are typical and may vary depending upon operating conditions and additive package.

Processing notes

Riblene FC 20 is easily processable using blown film technology. Melt temperature should be between 180 °C and 220 °C. Recommended thickness: 60 - 250 µm.

Storage and Handling

Riblene FC 20 is supplied in pellet form. This material may readily be conveyed and bulk fed through equipment designed for conventional pelletised polyethylene resin, provided the equipment is designed to prevent accumulation of the fines and dust particles that are contained in all polyethylene resins. These fines and dust particles can, under certain conditions, pose an explosion hazard. We recommend that the conveying system used be equipped with filters of adequate size, operated and maintained in such a manner to ensure that no leaks develop and earthed adequately. We further recommend that good housekeeping should be practised throughout your facility.

The product should be stored in dry conditions at temperatures below 50 °C and protected from sunlight. Improper storage can initiate degradation which results in odour generation, colour changes and can have negative effects on the physical properties of the product.

Before using this product it is recommended to read and understand the relevant Safety Data Sheet.

Availability

Contact the Versalis sales office nearest to you regarding availability and your specific application requirements.

Food Contact Status

Riblene FC 20 complies with the rules and regulations of the European Union, as well as other countries, regarding the use of plastic materials in food contact applications. Certificates of compliance are available upon request.

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Versalis is available to provide the guaranteed values for each product on demand.

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