

Makrolon® RW5181 RE CQ

Designation according to ISO 1043: PC-I-MDx



Product description

Polycarbonate; impact modified; filled; high flow; MVR (300 °C/1.2 kg) 25 cm³/10 min; low viscosity; high reflectance; easy release; available in light colors only

Applications

Injection molding; Automotive interior; Automotive lighting; Diffuse reflectors; Electrical/electronic; Headlamp reflectors/bezels; LED lighting, optics and lenses; Optics

Sustainability

Partially bio-circular product attributed via mass balance in accordance with the ISCC PLUS standard. The certified material share is detailed in the sustainability declaration.

Typical Values

Rheological properties

Property	Test Condition	Value	Unit	Standard
Melt Volume-flow Rate (MVR)	300 °C/1.2 kg	25	cm³/10 min	ISO 1133-1
Melt Viscosity	280 °C; 1,000 s ⁻¹	220	Pa·s	b. o. ISO 11443-A
Melt Viscosity	300 °C; 1,000 s ⁻¹	140	Pa·s	b. o. ISO 11443-A
Molding Shrinkage, parallel	60×60×2 mm; 500 bar	0.70	%	ISO 294-4
Molding Shrinkage, normal	60×60×2 mm; 500 bar	0.70	%	ISO 294-4

Mechanical properties (23 °C; 50 % r. h.)

Property	Test Condition	Value	Unit	Standard
Tensile Modulus	1 mm/min	2,450	MPa	ISO 527-1,-2
Yield Stress	5 mm/min	55	MPa	ISO 527-1,-2
Yield Strain	5 mm/min	5.5	%	ISO 527-1,-2
Stress at Break	5 mm/min	50	MPa	ISO 527-1,-2
Strain at Break	5 mm/min	90	%	ISO 527-1,-2
Nominal Strain at Break	5 mm/min	> 50	%	ISO 527-1,-2
Izod Notched Impact Strength	23 °C; 3 mm	40C	kJ/m²	ISO 21305/b. o. ISO 180/A
Izod Notched Impact Strength	-30 °C; 3 mm	20C	kJ/m²	ISO 21305/b. o. ISO 180/A
Charpy Impact Strength	23 °C	N	kJ/m²	ISO 179-1/1eU
Charpy Impact Strength	-30 °C	> 250	kJ/m²	ISO 179-1/1eU

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Property	Test Condition	Value	Unit	Standard
Puncture Impact Behavior - Maximum Force	23 °C	4,550	N	ISO 6603-2
Puncture Impact Behavior - Maximum Force	-30 °C	5,500	N	ISO 6603-2
Puncture Impact Behavior - Puncture Energy	23 °C	44	J	ISO 6603-2
Puncture Impact Behavior - Puncture Energy	-30 °C	50	J	ISO 6603-2

Impact properties: N = non-break, P = partial break, C = complete break

Thermal properties

Property	Test Condition	Value	Unit	Standard
Temperature of Deflection under Load (HDT)	1.80 MPa	120	°C	ISO 75-1,-2
Temperature of Deflection under Load (HDT)	0.45 MPa	137	°C	ISO 75-1,-2
Vicat Softening Temperature	50 N; 50 °C/h	143	°C	ISO 306
Vicat Softening Temperature	50 N; 120 °C/h	144	°C	ISO 306
Resistance to Heat (Ball Pressure Test)		135	°C	IEC 60695-10-2

Other properties (23 °C)

Property	Test Condition	Value	Unit	Standard
Density		1,300	kg/m ³	ISO 1183-1

Material specific properties

Property	Test Condition	Value	Unit	Standard
Luminous Reflectance	SCI; D65/10°; 2 mm	> 96	%	ISO/CIE 11664

Processing conditions for test specimens

Property	Test Condition	Value	Unit	Standard
Injection Molding - Melt Temperature		280	°C	ISO 294-1
Injection Molding - Mold Temperature		80	°C	ISO 294-1
Injection Molding - Injection Velocity		200	mm/s	ISO 294-1

Recommended processing and drying conditions

Property	Test Condition	Value	Unit	Standard
Dry Air Drying Temperature		120	°C	
Dry Air Drying Time		2 - 3	h	
Moisture Content max. (%)		≤ 0.02	%	
Melt Temperatures		280 - 310	°C	
Standard Melt Temperature		300	°C	

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Property	Test Condition	Value	Unit	Standard
Barrel Temperatures	Rear	250 - 260	°C	
Barrel Temperatures	Middle	270 - 280	°C	
Barrel Temperatures	Front	280 - 290	°C	
Barrel Temperatures	Nozzle	290 - 300	°C	
Mold Temperatures		80 - 120	°C	
Hold Pressure (% of Injection Pressure)		50 - 75	%	
Plastic Back Pressure (specific)		50 - 150	bar	
Peripheral Screw Speed		0.05 - 0.2	m/s	
Shot-to-Cylinder Size		30 - 70	%	
Vent Depth		0.025 - 0.075	mm	

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