

## ABS01-20W

Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene FibraQ compound with 20% wood fibres

### Description:

Compounded formulation comprising 20 wt% FibraQ mixed with Acrylonitrile butadiene styrene using a twin-screw extruder. The material also includes 2% coupling agent, UV stabilizer, flowability aids and 1.5% white masterbatch. No further additives were used such as impact modifier, though they could be used to further improve some of the properties.



FibraQ is Biofiber Tech's product, consisting of surface-modified wood fibres with better processability and dispersibility within polymer matrices.

### General

| Feature                  | Info  |
|--------------------------|---|
| Processing Method        | Injection moulding                                |
| Forms                    | Granule   |
| Filler                   | Surface modified wood fibre, 20% filler by weight |
| Density                  | Ca. 1.09 g/cm <sup>3</sup>                        |
| Renewable FibraQ content | 20 wt%  |
| Code name                | ABS01-20W   |

### Typical properties:

| Feature                                  | Method          | Unit              | Values |
|--|-----------------|-------------------|--------|
| Tensile strength at Break                | ISO 527-2:2012  | MPa               | 46.5   |
| Tensile modulus                          | ISO 527-2:2012  | MPa               | 3750   |
| Ultimate tensile strength                | ISO 527-2:2012  | MPa               | 46.6   |
| Strain at Ultimate tensile strength      | ISO 527-2:2012  | %                 | 1.79   |
| Elongation at Break                      | ISO 527-2:2012  | %                 | 1.83   |
| Flexural modulus                         | ISO 178-1:2010  | MPa               | 3443   |
| Flexural strength                        | ISO 178-1:2010  | MPa               | 73.8   |
| Impact strength (Charpy unnotched; 23°C) | ISO 179-1:2010  | kJ/m <sup>2</sup> | 10.9   |
| Impact strength (Charpy notched; 23°C)   | ISO 179-1:2010  | kJ/m <sup>2</sup> | 2.6    |
| MFI (220°C, 10kg)                        | ISO 1133-1:2012 | g/10 min          | 11.49  |
| Vicat (B120) (120K/min)                  | ISO 306:2004    | °C                | 92.4   |
| Head deflection temperature (A120)       | ISO 75          | °C                | 83.6   |
| Shrinkage rate                           | ISO 294-4       | %                 | 0.11   |

# Injection moulding recommendations

## 1. Drying the granulates:

To ensure optimal results, the compounded granulates should be dried prior to injection moulding. The recommended drying conditions are 4 h at 90°C. The recommended drying time may vary depending on storage conditions of the compounded granulate.

## 2. Temperature:

The injection should be done at temperatures lower than 200°C to avoid fibre burning.

| Matrix | Mould Temperature | Rear Barrel Temperature | Middle Barrel Temperature | Front Barrel Temperature | Nozzle Temperature |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| PP     | 20-50°C           | 160-175°C               | 175-185°C                 | 180-185°C                | 180-190°C          |
| PLA    | 25-55°C           | 160-175°C               | 170-185°C                 | 175-190°C                | 180°C              |
| ABS    | 40-80°C           | 180-200°C               | 190-205°C                 | 200-210°C                | 205°C              |
| PA11   | 20-70°C           | 180-200°C               | 190-200°C                 | 200°C                    | 200-205°C          |
| rPE    | 50-60°C           | 165-175°C               | 170-180°C                 | 175-185°C                | 175°C              |

## 3. Continuous processing:

To avoid risk of material degradation, the dwell time of the material inside the injection moulding machine should be minimized. So continuous operation is highly recommended.

## 4. Purge:

After production, it is very important to purge/rinse the injection moulding machine and tooling with neat PP (or whatever polymer matrix is being used) or a purging compound. In case there is still remaining material on the metal mould after purging, citric acid solution (10% in water) can be used to clean the surface.

### Further remarks:

Regarding the other processing parameters, we advise to use, as a start, similar processing parameters to the neat polymer (PP, HDPE or other chosen matrix), as they are dependent on the injection moulding machine and dimensions of the injected parts. Changes in pressure, temperature or time can be then carried out, to find the optimum injection parameters with the composites.

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