

Product description

ULTRAFORM® W2320 Aqua AT is applicable for plastic parts, where the approvals of material for drinking water contact and direct food contact is a mandatory requirement.

We provide the following food contact certificates:

- 21 CFR FDA § 177.2470 "Polyoxymethylene copolymer"
- European Food Contact European Food Contact Commission Regulation (EU) 10/2011
- GMP (EC) n°2023/2006

and the following drinking water certificates for the product:

- KTW
- DVGW W270
- WRAS
- ACS
- NSF (Standard 61)

For questions regarding the compliance with further regulations, and certificates, please contact your local BASF representative or Plastics Safety (E-Mail: plastics.safety@basf.com).

Abbreviated designation according to ISO 1043-1: POM
Designation according to ISO 29988-POM-K,M-GNR,3-2

Physical form and storage

Ultraform® is supplied in the form of granules having a bulk density of approx. 850 g/l. Standard packs are 25 kg PE bag and 1000 kg Octabin (octagonal container). Ultraform® is not subject to change when it is stored in dry, ventilated rooms. After relatively long storage (>1 year) or when handling material from previously opened containers, preliminary drying is recommended in order to remove any moisture which has been absorbed.

Product safety

Ultraform® is not a hazardous material as defined in the German Ordinance on Hazardous Materials.

If Ultraform® is processed properly little or no formaldehyde occurs in the region of the processing machine. Measures should be taken to ensure ventilation and venting of the work area, preferably by means of an extraction hood over the barrel unit.

Ultraform® decomposes when subjected to excessive heat. The decomposition products formed in this case consist almost exclusively of formaldehyde, a gas which has a pungent smell even at very low concentrations and irritates the mucous membranes. Decomposition can rapidly result in the build-up of a high gas pressure in the barrel of the processing unit. If the die is sealed there may be a sudden release of pressure via the filling hopper.

Contamination of Ultraform® by thermoplastics that cause decomposition of polyacetals, e.g. PVC or plastics containing halogenated fire protection agents, must be avoided under all circumstances. Even small quantities can cause uncontrolled and rapid decomposition of Ultraform® during processing.

If processing with color masterbatches or functional batches is intended, the compatibility of the components must be established by suitable trials. Processing with incompatible masterbatches may result in decomposition and release of gaseous formaldehyde.

Pellets and finished parts must not be allowed to come into contact with strong acids (especially concentrated hydrochloric acid) since they cause Ultraform® to decompose.

Detailed safety and environmental information is contained in the Ultraform® brochure and the material safety data sheet. Both are available from the PlasticsPortal, www.plasticsportal.net, or the Ultra-Infopoint under phone +49-621-60-78780 or fax +49-621-60-78730.

Note

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Processing Data Sheet

	Test method	Unit	Values
Properties			
Polymer abbreviation	-	-	POM
Density	ISO 1183	kg/m ³	1410
Melt volume rate MVR 190 °C/2.16 kg	ISO 1133	cm ³ /10min	25
Drying			
Moisture, max.	-	%	0.2
Dryer temperature ¹⁾	-	°C	100
Drying time	-	h	3
Injection molding			
Melt temperature range	-	°C	190 - 230
Melt temperature, optimal	-	°C	200
Mold temperature range	-	°C	60 - 120
Mold temperature, optimal	-	°C	90
Residence time, max.	-	min	10
Machine Settings			
Temperature hopper throat	-	°C	80
Cylinder temperature 1 (feed zone)	-	°C	200
Cylinder temperature 2 (compression)	-	°C	200
Cylinder temperature 3 (metering-zone, in front of the screw)	-	°C	200
Cylinder temperature 4 (nozzle)	-	°C	200
Peripheral screw speed	-	m/s	0.3
Shrinkage			
Molding shrinkage (parallel)	ISO 294-4	%	2.00
Molding shrinkage (normal)	ISO 294-4	%	2.10

Footnotes

1) The granules or pellets in their original packaging can generally be processed without any special preliminary treatment. However, granules or pellets which have become moist due to prolonged or incorrect storage must be dried in suitable dryers, e.g. dehumidifying dryers.