

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

ROTATHENE® 6338

LLDPE Rotational Moulding Resin

Description

Rotathene® 6338 is a hexene co-polymer based Linear Low Density Polyethylene resin (LLDPE) specifically designed for rotational moulding applications. It has high ESCR, high chemical resistance, excellent toughness and stiffness.

Rotathene® 6338 is an LLDPE resin intended for applications requiring an exceptional balance of stiffness and toughness. It has been formulated with a full strength UV additive package for Australasian conditions and has been tested to significantly exceed the UV requirements of AS/NZS4766:2006.

Rotathene® 6338 tank colours are compliant with Section 5 and Clause 6.1 of AS/NZS 4766:2006 *Polyethylene storage tanks for water and chemicals* which includes AS/NZS 4020:2005 *Testing of products for use in contact of drinking water* (potable water standard) at a contact ratio of 15,000 mm²/litre.

When used in accordance with FDA application guidelines, Rotathene® 6338** conforms to the requirements of U.S. FDA 21 CFR 177.1520 (c) 3.1a and AS2070-1999 *Plastics materials for food contact use*, sec.4.1.1 (a). Containing UV stabilisation, the conditions described in FDA 21 CFR 176.170 (c) table 2, conditions B to H apply. Volume, temperature and food type restrictions may apply. This product should not be used in applications for holding food during cooking without the required product compliance testing.

Rotathene® 6338 is available in a range of Rotathene® Tank and Standard colours. A colour matching service is also available upon request. For your added piece of mind, all pigment systems used in Rotathene® tank colours are heavy metal free.

Typical Applications

Agricultural Storage Tanks	Water Tanks	Chemical Tanks	Materials Handling
Underground Applications	Silos	Kayaks	Boats
General Moulding	IBCs	Septic Systems	Outdoor Applications

Properties***

	Unit	Value	Test Method
MFI (2.16/190)	g/10min	3.3	ASTM D1238
Density	g/cm ³	0.938	ASTM D1505
UV Rating (>50% retained tensile elongation)	hours UV rating	8000 UV8	ASTM D2565
ESCR ² (F ₅₀)	hours	>1000	ASTM D1693
ESCR ³ (F ₅₀)	hours	145	ASTM D1693
Flexural Modulus @ 1.3mm/min	MPa	771	ASTM D790M
Tensile Strength @ Yield ¹	MPa	17.9	ASTM D638M
Elongation @ Yield ¹	%	17.7	ASTM D638
*** Base Resin Properties			
1. Crosshead speed @ 50 mm/min			
2. 100% Igepal solution			
3. 10% Igepal solution			

Test data as stated by Raw Material Manufacturer datasheets and brochures - as measured on virgin natural resin.

Typical (average) values only - not to be considered as specifications

*** Rotathene® natural and tank colours - for FDA status on all other colours please contact your local Vanglobe representative.*

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Important Information

Before using this product, moulders are advised to conduct their own determination of the safety and suitability of the product for their specific application and are further advised against relying only on the information contained herein as it may relate to any specific use or application. Whilst care is taken in the preparation of this information, Vanglobe Pty Ltd / Vanglobe New Zealand Pty Ltd and their employees cannot be held responsible for the subsequent use of this information by any third party. The properties quoted are based on standard test methods and standard moulded plaques and shapes using natural resin. The addition of pigments and/or additives to a natural base may affect some properties. It is essential that you ensure the suitability of the material for your specific application prior to use. It is the ultimate responsibility of the user to ensure this product is suited for, and the information is applicable to, the user's specific application.

Combustibility

Polyethylene will burn when supplied with sufficient heat and oxygen. Resins should be handled and stored away from contact with direct flames and/or other ignition sources. Conventional fire fighting processes may be used to extinguish polyethylene fires, with water and water mist being the preferred options due to the high heat contribution made by the burning polyethylene. Polyethylene may generate a dense black smoke whilst burning – it is recommended that Fire fighters use self contained breathing apparatus when operating in enclosed areas.

Explosion Hazard

While care is taken to keep the amount of sub 150µm particles to a minimum, some fines will always be present in the supplied powder. These fines can, under certain conditions, pose an explosion hazard. We recommend that the processing equipment has adequate grounding at all times and good housekeeping be practiced throughout the facility.

Storage and Handling

Rotathene® resins should be stored in a clean, dry place at ambient temperatures. Prolonged or improper storage can result in deterioration of product properties. Care should be taken when handling and transferring product to prevent foreign matter contamination.

Hot or molten polyethylene contains a high energy value and has the potential to cause severe burns to personnel. Eye and skin protection should be used when handling polyethylene in this state i.e. safety glasses, gloves and full length natural fibre work wear are recommended.

Workstations are to be adequately ventilated to prevent the accumulation of fumes, vapours and smoke resulting from the processing of polyethylene.

Contact

For further information on Rotathene®, please contact the Vanglobe office closest to you.

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