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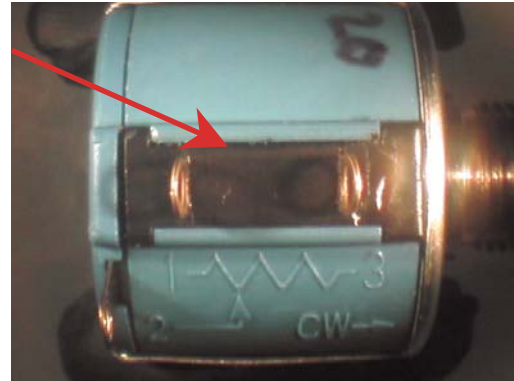
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Bourns® Sensors & Controls Division Announces Model 3540 Series Material Change

Bourns® Sensors and Controls Division will be changing the plastic material used in molding the terminal block of our Models **3540**, **3541**, **3543** and **3545**. The change from Fortron 6165A4 to Thermocomp® OF-1008 is due to a phase out of the Fortron material at our current supplier and the lack of availability from other suppliers.

Thermocomp® material is equivalent to the Fortron material and has been qualified for use in the standard 3540 series product. Please reference the adjacent photo identifying the terminal block. There is no change in fit, form or function on any of the models listed.

The transition to Thermocomp® material is currently in progress for standard catalog part numbers. Thermocomp® plastic is a UL rated (V-0) engineering material. Attached you will find data sheets for both Fortron and Thermocomp® plastics for your review. The UL certification for Thermocomp® is QMFZ2.E45195 and is available on the UL website at www.ul.com.



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FORTRON 6165A4 | PPS-X65 | Mineral / Glass Reinforced
Description

Fortron 6165A4 offers a unique balance of properties based on a high mineral and glass reinforced composition. The heat resistance under load bearing conditions is excellent for this product. As with all Fortron grades this product is inherently flame-retardant. Applications include electronic components (i.e. lamp houses, connection parts and sockets) and components in industry (i.e. pumps and pistons).

Physical properties

	Value Unit	Test Standard
Density	1950 kg/m ³	ISO 1183
Molding shrinkage (parallel)	0.2 - 0.6 %	ISO 294-4
Molding shrinkage (normal)	0.3 - 0.7 %	ISO 294-4
Water absorption	0.02 %	ISO 62

Mechanical properties

	Value Unit	Test Standard
Tensile modulus	19000 MPa	ISO 527-2/1A
Stress at break (5mm/min)	130 MPa	ISO 527-2/1A
Strain at break (5mm/min)	1.2 %	ISO 527-2/1A
Flexural modulus (23 °C)	18800 MPa	ISO 178
Flexural stress @ break	210 MPa	ISO 178
Charpy impact strength (+23 °C)	20 kJ/m ²	ISO 179/1eU
Charpy impact strength (-30 °C)	20 kJ/m ²	ISO 179/1eU
Charpy notched impact strength (+23 °C)	7 kJ/m ²	ISO 179/1eA
Charpy notched impact strength (-30 °C)	7 kJ/m ²	ISO 179/1eA
Unnotched impact str (Izod) @ 23 °C	20 kJ/m ²	ISO 180/1U
Notched impact strength (Izod) @ 23 °C	6 kJ/m ²	ISO 180/1A
Notched impact strength (Izod) @-30 °C	6 kJ/m ²	ISO 180/1A
Rockwell hardness	100 M-Scale	ISO 2039-2

Thermal properties

	Value Unit	Test Standard
Melting temperature (10 °C/min)	280 °C	ISO 11357-1,-2,-3
Glass transition temperature (10 °C/min)	90 °C	ISO 11357-1,-2,-3
Temp. of deflection under load (1.80 MPa)	270 °C	ISO 75-1/-2
Temp. of deflection under load (8.00 MPa)	215 °C	ISO 75-1/-2
Coeff.of linear therm. expansion (parallel)	0.19 E-4/°C	ISO 11359-2
Coeff.of linear therm. expansion (normal)	0.24 E-4/°C	ISO 11359-2
Oxygen index	53 %	ISO 4589
Burning Behav. at 1.6mm nom. thickn.(ISO 1210)	V-0 class	UL94
Thickness tested	1.5 mm	UL94
Burning Behav. at thickness h (ISO 1210)	V-0 class	UL94
Thickness tested	0.75 mm	UL94
Burning Behav. 5V at thickn. H (ISO 10351)	5VA class	UL94
Thickness tested	3 mm	UL94

Electrical properties

	Value Unit	Test Standard
Relative permittivity - 10kHz	5.4 -	IEC 60250
Relative permittivity (1 MHz)	5.6 -	IEC 60250
Dissipation factor - 10kHz	10 E-4	IEC 60250
Dissipation factor (1 MHz)	20 E-4	IEC 60250
Volume resistivity	>1E15 Ohm*m	IEC 60093
Surface resistivity	>1E15 Ohm	IEC 60093
Electric strength	25 kV/mm	IEC 60243-1
Comparative tracking index	175 -	IEC 60112

Test specimen production

	Value Unit	Test Standard
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Injection Molding, melt temperature	310 - 340 °C	ISO 294
Injection Molding, mold temperature	135 - 160 °C	ISO 294

Rheological Calculation properties	Value Unit	Test Standard
Spec. heat capacity of melt	1600 J/(kg K)	Internal

Other Processing

Injection Molding

On injection molding machines with 15-25 D long three-section screws, are usual in the trade, the unreinforced FORTRON is processable. A shut-off nozzle is preferred to a free-flow nozzle.

Melt temperature	320-340	degC
Mold wall temperature	at least 140	degC

A medium injection rate is normally preferred. All mold cavities must be effectively vented.

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Thermocomp® OF-1008

LNP Engineering Plastics Inc. - Polyphenylene Sulfide

Actions

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Product Characteristics

Material Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commercial: Active
Availability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> North America
Test Standards Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ASTM
Filler/Reinforcement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Glass fiber reinforcement
Forms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pellets
Processing Method	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Injection Molding

Properties ¹

Physical	Nominal Values (English)	Test Method
Density -Specific Gravity (Method A)	1.70 sp gr 23/23 °C	ASTM D792
Mold Shrink, Linear-Flow	0.0030 in/in	ASTM D955
Mold Shrink, Linear-Trans	0.010 in/in	ASTM D955

Mechanical	Nominal Values (English)	Test Method
Tensile Strength @ Break	23300 psi	ASTM D638
Tensile Elongation @ Brk	1.5 %	ASTM D638
Flexural Modulus	2060000 psi	ASTM D790
Flexural Strength	34000 psi	ASTM D790
Coef. of Friction		ASTM D1894
(vs. Steel - Dynamic)	0.41	
(vs. Steel - Static)	0.50	
Wear Factor (10 ⁻¹⁰) (40 psi, 50 ft/min)	373 in ⁵ -min/ft-lb-h	

Impact	Nominal Values (English)	Test Method
Notched Izod Impact (0.125 in)	1.80 ft-lb/in	ASTM D256
Unnotched Izod Impact (0.125 in)	9.82 ft-lb/in	ASTM D256

Thermal	Nominal Values (English)	Test Method
DTUL @264psi - Unannealed	508 °F	ASTM D648

Additional Properties

The values displayed above as Coef. of Friction and Wear Factor were tested in accordance with LNP WI-0687.

COEFFICIENT OF FRICTION vs. Steel, Dynamic @ 40 psi, 50 ft/min, LNP WI-0687: 0.41

COEFFICIENT OF FRICTION vs. Steel, Static @ 40 psi, LNP WI-0687: 0.5

WEAR FACTOR @ 40 psi, 50 ft/min, LNP WI-0687: 373 10⁻¹⁰ in⁵-min/ft-lb-hr

Processing Information

Injection Molding Parameters	Nominal Values (English)	Test Method
Drying Temperature	250 to 300 °F	
Drying Time	4.0 hr	
Processing (Melt) Temp	600 to 610 °F	
Mold Temperature	275 to 325 °F	
Back Pressure	25.0 to 50.0 psi	

Notes

¹ Typical properties; not to be construed as specifications.

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