

General product information

Elastollan® 1180 A

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Characteristic:

Thermoplastic Polyether-Polyurethane Elastomer with outstanding hydrolysis resistance, low temperature flexibility and resistance to micro-organisms.
Processable by injection moulding and extrusion.

Property	Value	Unit	Test method according to
Hardness	80	Shore A	DIN ISO 7619-1 (3s)
Density	1.11	g/cm ³	DIN EN ISO 1183-1-A
Tensile strength	45	MPa	DIN 53504-S2
after storage in water at 80°C for 42 days	30		
Elongation at break	650	%	DIN 53504-S2
after storage in water at 80°C for 42 days	700		
Stress at 20% elongation	2	MPa	DIN 53504-S2
Stress at 100% elongation	4.5	MPa	DIN 53504-S2
Stress at 300% elongation	8	MPa	DIN 53504-S2
Tear strength	55	N/mm	DIN ISO 34-1Bb
Abrasion loss	30	mm ³	DIN ISO 4649-A
Compression set at 23°C / 72 hours	25	%	DIN ISO 815
Compression set at 70°C / 24 hours	45		
Notched impact strength(Charpy) 23°C	No break	KJ/m ²	DIN EN ISO 179-1
-30°C	No break		
Flammability rating	HB		UL 94

Test plates are manufactured by injection moulding from pre-dried pellets (water content less than 0.02%). Test plates are aged 20 hrs at 100°C. Specimens are cut from test plates. Test conditions: 23°C± 2°C and 50% ± 6% rel. humidity.

These are general guidance data. No statement regarding specific properties. All supplies are subject to detailed specifications to be agreed-up in each individual case and containing, among others, the tolerances to be specified therein.

Delivery form and packing:

Lentil shaped pellets
PE-Bags, 25 kg net
Octabins with PE liner bags, 1000 kg net

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Drying recommendations:

Material must be dried before processing for 3 hours at 80-90°C in a dehumidified air dryer. Additives have to be dried with the granules. The water content of the granules should not exceed 0,02%.

Injection moulding:

When injecting the melt should be bubble and foam free, if not we recommend to adjust the drying temperature accordingly.

Following temperatures are guide values, showing the tendency of temperature profile. These may vary depending on kind of machine and mould design.

Feed [°C]	Zone1 [°C]	Zone2 [°C]	Zone3 [°C]	Zone4 [°C]	Nozzle [°C]	Melt-temp [°C]Ca.	Mould-temp[°C] Ca.
40	200 - 210	205 - 215	210 - 220	210 - 220	215 - 225	210 - 220	20 - 40

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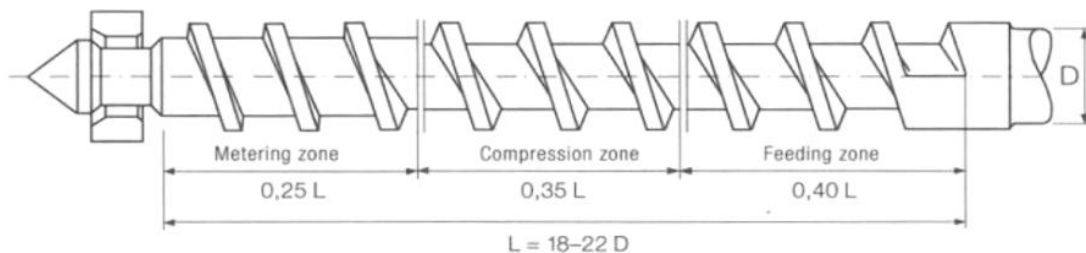
Circumferential speed (screw speed)		< 0.2 m/s 12 m/min			
Holding pressure (Melt pressure)		400 - 600 Bar			
Injection speed		relatively low			
Retention time of melt (including hot-runner)		< 10 min			
Screw speed	d_{screw} [mm]	30	45	50	60
	n_{max} [rpm]	125	80	70	60

To facilitate demoulding, mould surface with a roughness height of approx. 25-35 µm is recommended.

Ejectors should be two or three times larger than for harder thermoplastics.

Machine Design:

Injection moulding machines with single-flighted, 3-zone screws are suitable for the processing of Elastollan®. Short compression-zone screws are not suitable. The compression ratio should be around 1:2 and should not exceed 1:3. A check ring (shut-off ring) should be incorporated.



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Extrusion:

Following temperatures are guide values, showing the tendency of temperature profile. These may vary depending on kind of machine and mould design.

Feed [°C]	Zone1 [°C]	Zone2 [°C]	Zone3 [°C]	Zone4 [°C]	Adaptor [°C]	Head [°C]	Die [°C]
Cooled*	170	180	190	200	205	205	200

*in case of using a grooved feeding zone

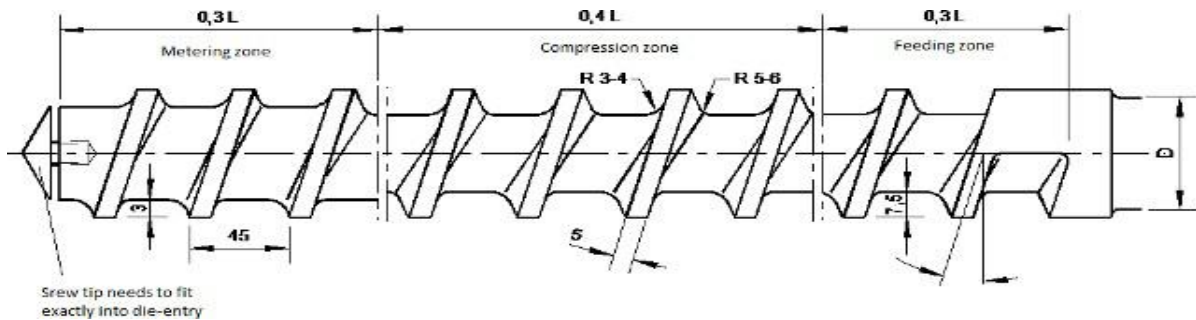
General Recommendations: circumferential Speed 0.15 m/s max.

Screw speed	d _{screw} [mm]	45	60	75	90
	n _{max} [min ⁻¹]	60	45	35	30

For start-up use screw-speed of about 0,05m/s and starve feeding in order to control screw torque and engine power consumption.

Machine Design:

Single screw extruder with a compression ratio of 1:2 to 1:3, preferably 1:2,5, are recommended for processing. BASF experience shows that three section screws with L/D ratio of 25 to 30 are most suitable. Three section screw should have continued constant pitch of 1D. The radial clearance between screw and barrel should be 0,1 to 0,2mm. Multizone screws, e.g. barrier screws, have also proven suitable. Short screws with high compression ratio are unsuitable for Elastollan®.



Processing:

In cool and dry storage and in the original, undamaged and sealed containers, the products are processable for at least 6 months from delivery date. Thereafter, we do not give any warranty or guarantee regarding the processability and/or shelf life of the products. Warranties regarding buyer's rights in case of defects remain unaffected hereby.

Storage:

Elastollan® is hygroscopic, therefore storage in dry conditions and original container is recommended. Additional information about drying, processing temperatures and post-treatment are given in our product brochure "Thermoplastic Polyurethane Elastomers (TPU) Elastollan®-Processing Recommendations".

Hazard indication:

No particular hazards known. Please have a look at the Material Safety Data Sheet before handling.

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Waste Disposal:

More detailed information is provided in our country-specific pamphlet and the Material Safety Data Sheet.

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