Product: BioBlend® XD 25052





BioLogiQ creates plastics from polysaccharides found in plants. These plastics are designed to enhance both the functional and environmental performance of the packages and products produced with them.

All BioLogiQ compounded plastics start with **NuPlastiQ** BioPolymer, a 100% natural, renewably sourced, plant-based biopolymer.

Description

- One of the BioBlend® XD family of high durability BioPolymers designed for injection molding applications.
- BioBlend® XD 25052 is a masterbatch that contains 50% NuPlastiQ BioPolymer compounded with a polypropylene homopolymer.
- Made from 50% annually renewable agricultural resources.
- Supplied in pellet form.

Applications

- BioBlend® XD 25052 is intended for injection molded applications that require fast cycle times.
- Recommended for large thin wall parts, caps, and closures.

Properties

PHYSICAL	TEST METHOD	NOMINAL VALUE	UNITS
Density:	ASTM D792	1.16	g/cm ³
THERMAL			
Melt Flow Index	ASTM D1238	4.7	g/10 min (190 °C/2.16 kg)
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION			
Moisture Content:(1)	ASTM D6980	≤ 0.5	%
MECHANICAL PROPERTIES (2)			
Tensile Properties			
Secant Modulus @ 1%	ASTM D638	560	MPa
Tensile Strength at Break	ASTM D638	24	MPa
Elongation at Break	ASTM D638	13	%
Flexural Properties			
Flexural Modulus	ASTM D790	1040	MPa
Ultimate Flexural Strength	ASTM D790	38	MPa
Notched Impact Strength			
Izod - Notched	ASTM D256	27	J/m

Table Notes:

- 1) Moisture content was measured with an infrared moisture analyzer at 110°C for 10 minutes.
- 2) Mechanical properties were measured on injection molded parts made directly from the XD 25052 BioBlend.
- 3) These values are typical properties only and should not be used for specification purposes. End users should confirm results with their own tests.

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Processing Considerations

- XD 25052 is designed to be diluted with a customer specific polypropylene to achieve a final NuPlastiQ GP concentration between 10% and 40%.
- XD 25052 can be run on existing process equipment with a few adjustments.
 - Injection molded applications with XD 25052 are slightly more sensitive to processing conditions such as temperature profile and cycle time.
 - A typical recommended temperature profile will be in the 180°C 210°C range.
 - Depending on equipment, process conditions, and residence time, as temperatures increase in this range the
 glycerin plasticizer may experience some volatilization. This may cause a slight odor and/or smoke and is
 expected under normal processing conditions. Always use proper ventilation. See the BioBlend® XP 25052 SDS
 for details.
- Some equipment (shorter residence time) may allow for higher processing temperatures (210°C 225°C).
- If the melt temperature is too hot for the specific blend, some scorching and dark coloring may occur. Lower the extrusion temperature and continue processing until the color lightens to an acceptable level.

Packaging

- XD 25052 can be shipped in the following formats:
 - o 25kg moisture barrier bags.
 - 1000kg gaylord boxes with a moisture barrier bag.

Storage

• XD 25052 should be stored in a dry location away from heat and direct sunlight. Material must remain sealed in moisture barrier bag until used. Material should be stored under normal warehouse conditions (typical max temperature of 80°F/26°C.)

Drying

- BioLogiQ BioBlends are dried after production and shipped in sealed moisture-proof bags that are ready to use as supplied. They should be stored indoors in the sealed container away from heat until used.
- If pellets are exposed to a humid environment, they will absorb moisture from the air. If needed, dry pellets by introducing warm dry air at no more than 80°C for 1-4 hours.
- The estimated moisture content of a BioLogiQ BioBlend can be measured with an infrared moisture analyzer at 110°C for 10 minutes. The result of the measurement will not perfectly equal the moisture content, due to possible partial evaporation of plasticizer. The result from this test should be <0.5% moisture prior to processing.

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Appendix

• The following table contains the mechanical properties of injection molded parts made by taking 50% XD 25052 and dry blending with 50% of a homopolymer PP to achieve a total NuPlastiQ concentration of 25%.

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Tensile Properties				
Secant Modulus @ 1%	ASTM D638	620	MPa	
Tensile Strength at Break	ASTM D638	28	MPa	
Elongation at Break	ASTM D638	15.9	%	
Flexural Properties				
Flexural Modulus	ASTM D790	1070	MPa	
Ultimate Flexural Strength	ASTM D790	42.7	MPa	
Notched Impact Strength				
Izod - Notched	ASTM D256	24.4	J/m	

Table Notes:

- 1) Mechanical properties were measured on injection molded parts made from dry blending 50% XD 25052 and 50% of a homopolymer PP at the injection molded stage.
- 2) These values are typical properties only and should not be used for specification purposes. End users should confirm results with their own tests.