MATERIAL: Ethylene Propylene (EPR, EPDM)

MATERIAL DESCRIPTION

Ethylene Propylene Rubber (EPDM) is a Copolymer of ethylene and propylene. Furthermore, it is a terpolymer of ethylene and propylene with a small amount of a third monomer (usually a diolefin) to permit vulcanization with sulfur. Generally, EPDM possesses an excellent resistance to ozone, sunlight and weathering, and has very good flexibility at low temperature, good chemical resistance (many dilute acids and alkalis as well as polar solvents) and good electrical insulation property.

CURE SYSTEM: PEROXIDE-CURED

Standard EPDMs are usually sulfur cured. Sulfur cured compounds offer better flexible properties but are more prone to hardening and have an inferior compression set with high temperature. Peroxide cured EPDMs have better heat resistance and a lower compression set. It complies with long time usage, especially for hose systems in the construction industry, but is more expensive and more difficult for production than the sulfur cured EPDMs.

OTHER COMMON VARIATIONS

- EPDMs often are internally lubricated to improve ease of installation or reduce friction for dynamic applications.
- EPDMs can be formulated with only "white list" ingredients, as specified in 21.CFR 177.2600, for use in applications where the elastomer will be in contact with food or beverages.
- EPDMs can be submitted for approval by the National Sanitation Foundation (NSF) for use in drinking water applications.
- EPDMs are usually used in automotive air conditioning systems where there is use of R134a refrigerant gas and POE or PAG lubricant and new refrigerant for environment protection R744. R744 air conditioning systems require excellent resistance to explosive decompression in hydrogen dioxide at high pressure and high temperature.
- EPDMs are usually used in phosphate ester type hydraulic fluids.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ASTM D1418 DESIGNATION	EPM, EPDM	STANDARD COLOR	Black
ISO/DIN 1629 DESIGNATION	EPM, EPDM	HARDNESS RANGE	30 to 90 Shore A
ASTM D2000/ SAE J 200 CODES	AA, BA, CA, DA	RELATIVE COST	Low

SERVICE TEMPERATURES

STANDARD LOW TEMPERATURE	-67°F -55°C	SPECIAL COMPOUND LOW TEMPERATURE	-67°F -55°C
STANDARD LOW TEMPERATURE	257°F 125°C	SPECIAL COMPOUND HIGH TEMPERATURE	302°F 150°C



PERFORMS WELL IN

- Alcohols
- Automotive brake fluid
- Ketones
- Dilute acids and alkalis
- Silicone oils and greases
- Steam up to 204.4°C (400°F)
- Water
- Phosphate ester based hydraulic fluids Skydrol®
- Ozone, aging and weathering

DOESN'T PERFORM WELL IN

- Aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons
- Di ester based lubricants
- Halogenated solvents

DUROMETER: 70

Petroleum based oils and greases

COLOR: BLACK

TEST REPORT FOR COMPOUND E70

ASTM* D2000, M4CA714, A25, B44, EA14, F17, Z1, Z2

SECTION OF SPEC.	PROPERTIES	REQUIREMENTS	RESULTS	ASTM TEST METHOD
	ORIGINAL PHYSICAL PROPERTIES Hardness, Shore A Tensile Strength Elongation Modulus at 100%	70 ± 5 2031 PSI (min) 200% (min)	75 2429 PSI (16.75 MPa) 259% 753 PSI (5.19 MPa)	D2240-05 D412-06a D412-06a D412-06a
A25	Specific GravityHEAT AGE: 70 hours at 125°C (257°F)Hardness ChangeTensile Strength ChangeElongation ChangeWeight Change	± 10 points -20% (max) -40% (max)	1.144 g/cm ³ +4 points -7% -6% -2.9%	D573-04
B44	COMPRESSION SET: 70 hours at 100°C (212°F)	50% (plied) (max)	8.5%	D395-03, Method B
EA14	WATER RESISTANCE: 70 hours at 100°C (212°F) Hardness Change Tensile Strength Change Elongation Change Volume Change	± 5%	-3 points -13% +2% +4.1%	D471-06
F17	LOW TEMPERATURE BRITTLENESS POINT: 3 minutes at 40°C (40°F) Sample type: T 50 Coolant : Methanol Brittleness temperature to nearest 1°C (1°F)	No crack	Pass	D2137-05, Method A

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