



# **SABIC® LDPE 2001TX17**

Low density polyethylene for Foam extrusion

#### Description

SABIC® LDPE 2001TX17 is a grade with a low amount of anti block and a medium amount of slip oleamide.

### **Application**

SABIC® LDPE 2001TX17 is suitable for flexible high expansion foams produced with physical blowing agents.

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Properties	Units SI	Values	Test methods
Polymer properties			
Melt flow rate (MFR)			ISO 1133
at 190 °C and 2.16 kg	g/10 min	0.65	
Density	kg/m³	920	ISO 1183
Formulation			
Slip	mg/kg	800 O	SABIC method
Anti block	mg/kg	250	SABIC method
Thermal properties			
Vicat softening temperature			ISO 306
at 10 N (VST/A)	°C	87	
DSC test			DIN 53765
melting point	°C	108	
crystallization temperature	°C	96	
avg. heat of fusion	J/g	108	

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**General information.** SABIC Europe produces low density polyethylene by the tubular and the autoclave reactor processes. As a result the product range covers a wide variety of densities and melt flow rates. The LDPE grade slate has a wide variety of slip and anti block additive levels and includes a large numbers of grades with excellent optical properties.

SABIC's CTR® tubular production technology and autoclave production technology guarantees outstanding draw down properties, low odour and taste levels, which is of advantage for thin film processing and in e.g. food packaging.

Further it includes a large number of grades that are ideally suitable for the physical and the chemical foaming process.

Special grades for physical foaming are available with a lower melt flow rate and a narrower melt flow rate specification range than the comparable blown film grades.

Special grades for chemical foaming with a high melt flow rate are available as tubular grade as well as autoclave grade.

**Health, Safety and Food Contact regulations.** Detailed information is provided in the relevant Material Safety Datasheet and or Standard Food Declaration, available on the Internet (www.SABIC-europe.com). Additional specific information can be requested via your local Sales Office.

**Quality.** SABIC Europe is fully certified in accordance with the internationally accepted quality standard ISO 9001-2000. It is SABIC Europe's policy to supply materials that meet customers specifications and needs and to keep up its reputation as a pre-eminent, reliable supplier of e.g. polyethylenes.

**Storage and handling.** Polyethylenes resins (in pelletised or powder form) should be stored in such a way that it prevents exposure to direct sunlight and/or heat, as this may lead to quality deterioration. The storage location should also be dry, dust free and the ambient temperature should not exceed 50 °C. Not complying with these precautionary measures can lead to a degradation of the product which can result in colour changes, bad smell and inadequate product performance. It is also advisable to process polyethylene resins (in pelletised or powder form) within 6 months after delivery, this because also excessive aging of polyethylene can lead to a deterioration in quality.

Environment and recycling. The environmental aspects of any packaging material do not only imply waste issues but have to be considered in relation with the use of natural resources, the preservations of foodstuffs, etc. SABIC Europe considers polyethylene to be an environmentally efficient packaging material. Its low specific energy consumption and insignificant emissions to air and water designate polyethylene as the ecological alternative in comparison with the traditional packaging materials. Recycling of packaging materials is supported by SABIC Europe whenever ecological and social benefits are achieved and where a social infrastructure for selective collecting and sorting of packaging is fostered. Whenever 'thermal' recycling of packaging (i.e. incineration with energy recovery) is carried out, polyethylene -with its fairly simple molecular structure and low amount of additives- is considered to be a trouble-free fuel.