

POLYMERS

SABIC[®] PET BC112

Crystalline Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET)

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

BC112 is a crystalline, high molecular weight thermoplastic polymer made by continuous melt-phase polymerization process followed by solid-state polymerization

CHARACTERISTICS

BC112 is specially formulated bottle grade PET that is characterized by high I.V., and low acetaldehyde. The high I.V. confers good mechanical properties; high burst strengths and reduced bottle distension after filling.

TYPICAL APPLICATIONS:

BC112 is especially suitable for the production of bottles for carbonated drinks. The high I.V. gives the bottle the extra mechanical strength required in hot countries due to the high pressures from carbonation. It can also be used for bottles for noncarbonated (except water) and other packaging applications, e.g. edible oil & thermoformed packaging.

TYPICAL DATA:

PROPERTIES	Unit	Value ⁽¹⁾	Test Method
Intrinsic Viscosity	Dl/g	0.84 ± 0.02	SABIC (IRC0041)
Acetaldehyde	PPM	<1	SABIC (IRC00057)
Color (L)	-	89 ± 4.0	SABIC (IRC0051)
Color (b)	-	-1.5 ± 2.0	SABIC (IRC0051)
Melting Range	°C	246 - 256	SABIC (IRC0053)
DEG Content	% w/w	< 1.5	SABIC (IRC0055)
Crystalline Density	Kg/m ³	< 1390	SABIC (IRC0032)
Dust Content	% w/w	< 0.01	SABIC (IRC0060)
Bulk Density	Kg/m ³	838 ± 10	ASTM D 1895
Moisture Content ⁽²⁾	% w/w	< 0.35	SABIC (IRC0050)

(1) Typical values; not to be construed as specification limits.

(2) At Equilibrium

PROCESSING CONDITIONS:

The PET (BC112) has to be dried to moisture content below about 30-40 ppm. The drying conditions typically used are 180 °C for 5 hours; the dew point of the drying air should be at least -40 °C. Typically injection temperatures of 285 °C may be used to get clear preforms with acceptable acetaldehyde level for Colas and flavored drinks.

FOOD REGULATION:

BC112 is suitable for food contact application. Detailed information is provided in relevant Material Safety Datasheet and for additional specific information please contact SABIC local representative for certificate.

STORAGE AND HANDLING:

PET resin should be stored in a manner to prevent a direct exposure to sunlight and/or heat. The storage area should also be dry with relative humidity below 50% and temperatures preferably don't exceed 50 °C. SABIC would not give warranty to bad storage conditions which may lead to quality deterioration such as color change, bad smell and inadequate product performance. It is advisable to process PET within 6 months after delivery.

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