



Polycarbonate + Poly(Butylene Terephthalate), 10% Glass Fiber Reinforced, Impact Modified, Weatherable

1 Scope

Note: Nothing in this standard supercedes applicable laws and regulations.

Note: In the event of conflict between the English and domestic language, the English language shall take precedence.

1.1 Purpose/Material Description. This specification covers the properties of an engineering thermoplastic, 10% glass fiber reinforced, impact modified, injection molding grade, pellet form, weatherable Polycarbonate (PC) and Poly(butylene terephthalate) (PBT) blend.

1.1.1 Paintability. Plastics used for painted applications are required to meet paint performance requirements for new plastic materials per GMW16172. Additionally, painted plastic parts are required to meet painted plastic parts performance requirements per GMW14797.

1.2 Symbols. The material abbreviation according to ISO 11469 is >PC+PBT-I-GF10<.

1.3 Applicability. Typical applications include: Door handle assembly.

2 References

Note: Only the latest approved standards are applicable unless otherwise specified.

2.1 External Standards/Specifications.

ISO 75-1/2	ISO 527-1/2	ISO 3451	SAE J1545
ISO 179-1/1eA	ISO 1133	ISO 11357-3	SAE J1976
ISO 188	ISO 1183-2	ISO 11469	
ISO 294-1	ISO 3146	ISO 20028-2	

2.2 GM Standards/Specifications.

GMW3013	GMW14270	GMW14650	GMW16172
GMW3059	GMW14444	GMW14797	GMW16853
GMW3221			

2.3 Additional References.

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3 Requirements

Materials approved to this specification shall meet the requirements of GMW3013.

3.1 Requirements on Test Specimens. Unless otherwise specified, injection molding of test specimens shall be accomplished per ISO 294-1, with the conditions for injection molding from ISO 20028-2. Test methods and specimen dimensions are also to be in accordance with ISO 20028-2.

All tests shall be performed on specimens for 40 h minimum after molding and immediately following a conditioning period of 24 h minimum in a controlled atmosphere per GMW3221, Code A, unless otherwise specified. All tests shall be performed on unannealed specimens, unless otherwise specified.

The minimum values specified in Table 1 shall be met by test specimens in natural or black. For colored grades where other pigment and additive systems, e.g., stabilizer, are used, the impact values shall not decrease more than 10% from the specified minimum value.

3.2 Emissions Testing of Interior Materials and Parts. For all Code E designated parts per GMW14444, reference GMW16853 for emissions testing of interior materials and parts.

3.3 Requirements on Delivery. Important physical, mechanical and thermal properties that characterize the material are summarized in Table 1 and Table 2. The color shall be specified on drawings, in material specifications and otherwise.

3.4 Compound Properties. See Table 1 and Table 2. The following are also required for full standard approval. The minimum number of lots per test required for the following properties is one in natural:

- Poisson's Ratio.
- Stress strain curve at multiple temperatures: -30 °C, +23 °C, +85 °C. See the GMMPD tab on Plastic Submission Template for test parameters (contact specification owning group named in Section 6 for access).
- Coefficient of Thermal Expansion (CTE) data, See GMMPD tab on Plastic Submission Template for test parameters (contact specification owning group named in Section 6 for access).
- Differential Scanning Calorimetry (DSC) curve.
- Dynamic Mechanical Analysis (DMA) curve.
- Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy curve.
- Mold shrinkage.

See the Polycarbonate tab on the Plastic Submission Template for the test procedures (contact specification owning group named in Section 6 for access).

Reference GMW3013 for all test procedures and parameters.

3.5 Performance Requirements. Performance requirements shall be specified on part drawings or in component specifications. All parts manufactured from molding compounds shall be resistant to the media contacted, such as aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons, fuels, lubricants, oils, greases and alcohols, at the place of use.

3.6 All materials supplied to this standard must comply with GMW3059, **Restricted and Reportable Substances**, including the requirement to obtain a GM-approved International Material Data System (IMDS) submission.

Table 1: Compound Properties (Natural or Black)

Property	Standard	Unit	Value
Density	ISO 1183-2 Method A	g/cm ³	1.25 to 1.36
Ash	ISO 3451	% by mass	9 to 13
Tensile Modulus	ISO 527-1/2	MPa	3200 to 5500
Tensile Stress at Yield	ISO 527-1/2	MPa	≥ 63
Tensile Stress at Yield after Heat Aging ^{Note 1}	ISO 527-1/2, ISO 188	% Retention	≥ 90
Notched Charpy Impact Strength at +23 °C at -30 °C	ISO 179-1/1eA	kJ/m ²	≥ 3.0 ≥ 1.2
Notched Charpy Impact Strength after Heat Aging ^{Note 1}	ISO 179-1/1eA, ISO 188	% Retention	≥ 80
Melting Temperature	ISO 3146 or ISO 11357-3	°C	Target Range 218 to 227