



High Impact Polystyrene, HIPS

HIPS is a versatile cost-effective material engineered from tough polystyrene resins. It is often specified for low strength structural applications when impact resistance, machinability, and low cost are required. It has excellent dimensional stability and is easy to fabricate – it can be guillotine cut, die-cut, punched, and also painted and glued, properties that make it a popular option for machining pre-production prototypes. Natural (translucent white) HIPS is FDA compliant for use in food processing applications.

- High impact strength
- Good machinability
- Easy to glue, paint, and print
- Outstanding thermoforming characteristics

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET | (EFFECTIVE 24FEB25)

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PHYSICAL PROPERTY	TEST METHOD	UNIT	VALUE3
Specific Gravity	D-792	g/cc	1.04
Melt Flow @ 200°C/5g	D-1238	g/10min	2.5
Tensile @ Yield	D-638	psi	29000
Flexural Modulus	D-790	psi	2900
Elongation @ Failure	D-638	%	70
Hardness, Rockwell	D-785	M-Scale	75
Notched Izod @ 73°F	D-256	ft-lb/in	2.1
HDT @ 264 psi	D-648	°F	183
Vicat Softening Point	D-1525	°F	210
Impact Strength	-	-	High
Low Temperature Impact Strength	-	-	Average
Tensile Strength	-	-	High
Flexural Strength	-	-	High
Heat Deflection Temperature	-	-	Average



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