

3M™ Dyneon™ PTFE Fine Powder TF 2021Z

Product Description

3M™ Dyneon™ PTFE Fine Powder TF 2021Z is recommended for the manufacture of unsintered thread sealing tapes, electrical tapes, joint sealings and tubings processed at lower to medium reduction ratios (RR).

Special Features

- Meets ASTM D 4895 Type I, Grade 1, Class B classification
- High molecular weight PTFE powder produced by emulsion polymerisation
- Processing by standard paste extrusion methods
- Excellent chemical inertness
- Low friction behaviour
- Fine powder grade for low to medium reduction ratio ranges
- Provides high stretch ratio in extrudate
- High flame retardance
- Exceptional temperature resistance
- Very good electrical properties

Properties	Test method	Unit	Value*
Bulk Density	DIN EN ISO 60	g/l	480
Average Particle Size	ISO 13320	µm	500
Powder Flow Properties			free-flowing
Extrusion Pressure (Reduction Ratio 400)	ASTM D 4895	MPa	30
Reduction Ratio Range	Internal Dyneon method	-	20 – 500:1
Tensile Strength	DIN EN ISO 527-3	MPa	34
Elongation at Break	DIN EN ISO 527-3	%	380
Specific Gravity	DIN EN ISO 12086	g/cm ³	2.15

* average values

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Typical Properties

Product grade with lower extrusion pressure than 3M™ Dyneon™ PTFE Fine Powder TF 2025Z. Therefore the applicable reduction ratio reaches a low to medium level (20 – 500:1). It can be highly stretched without breakage.

Typical Applications

3M™ Dyneon™ PTFE Fine Powder TF 2021Z is the preferred grade for unsintered thread sealing tapes, electrical tapes for wrapped wire and cable insulations, expanded joint sealings and middle-sized tubings with relatively high green strength.

Processing Recommendations

3M™ Dyneon™ PTFE Fine Powder TF 2021Z can be processed by standard paste extrusion methods, which means the processing of the fine powder together with a suitable lubricant to prevent excessive shearing of sensitive PTFE particles during extrusion. To achieve optimum extrudate quality, all processing parameters such as temperature settings, extrusion pressure, lubricant content, extrusion rate and profile dimensions must be carefully balanced.

The fine powder should be mixed with a suitable lubricant, stored for at least 24 hours at a minimum temperature of 25 °C and compacted into a pre-form, which can then be extruded through a die on a ram-type extruder to produce tubing, rod or cord. Tapes are produced by calendaring a cord which still contains lubricant. The lubricant is evaporated by a suitable drying technique and the tape / cord is stretched or the tube is sintered.

During paste extrusion the round fine powder particles get fibrillated and the extrudate builds up its mechanical green strength. In the following sintering step the particles fuse together and the voids are closed.

The reduction ratio (RR) is defined as the result of the cross-section of the extrusion cylinder divided by the cross-section of the extrusion die. It is an important processing parameter for paste extrusion, which influences the extrudate quality.

Storage and Handling

3M™ Dyneon™ PTFE Fine Powder TF 2021Z can be stored for a relatively long period of time provided it is kept in a clean, dry place at a temperature of less than 19 °C to safeguard free-flowing properties. Careful handling of fine powder is recommended because it is relatively shear-sensitive. Excessively sheared particles usually result in extrudate defects.

Safety Instructions

Follow the normal precautions observed with all fluoropolymer materials.

Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet and Product Label for information regarding the safe handling of the material. By following all precautions and safety measures, processing these products poses no known health risks. General handling/processing precautions include: 1) Process only in well-ventilated areas. 2) Do not smoke in areas contaminated with powder/residue from these products. 3) Avoid eye contact. 4) If skin comes into contact with these products during handling, wash with soap and water afterwards. 5) Avoid contact with hot fluoropolymer.

Potential hazards, including release of toxic vapours, can arise if processing occurs under excessively high temperature conditions. Vapour extractor units should be installed above processing equipment. When cleaning processing equipment, do not burn off any of this product with a naked flame or in a furnace.

Delivery Form

3M™ Dyneon™ PTFE Fine Powder TF 2021Z is delivered in powder form.

Packaging size is:

- 25 kg plastic drum

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General recommendations on health and safety in processing, on work hygiene and on measures to be taken in the event of accident are detailed in our material safety data sheets.

You will find further notes on the safe handling of fluoropolymers in the brochure "[Guide for the safe handling of Fluoropolymers Resins](#)" (download link) by PlasticsEurope, Box 3, B-1160 Brussels, Tel. +32 (2) 676 17 32.

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