

D.E.R.[™] 530-A80 Brominated Epoxy Resin Solution

Description

D.E.R.™ 530-A80 Epoxy Resin is a brominated resin supplied in acetone. It is designed for the production of FR-4 type rigid board and multilayer electrical laminates.

Typical Applications

Typical Formulation

For FR-4 laminate production, D.E.R. 530-A80 Epoxy Resin Solution was formulated with dicyandiamide hardener and 2-methylimidazole accelerator. The exact concentration of hardener and accelerator must be optimized to suit the particular equipment and performance needs.

Formulation	Parts Solid
D.E.R. 530-A80 Resin	100
Dicyandiamide	2.8
2-methylimidazole	0.08

Prepreg Production

The formulation described was used to impregnate 7628 type glass cloth then passed through a lab treater to yield prepreg with the following characteristics:

Prepreg Characteristics	
Resin Content (wt%)	40 – 45
Gel Time (sec)	100 – 150
Flow (wt%)	14 – 23

Laminate Production

Laminates were produced using 8 plies of the prepreg between two sheets of 1 oz. copper foil. The constructions were pressed at 200 psi for 60-90 minutes at 350°F. Final properties of the laminate are:

Laminate Properties		
Tg by DSC @ 20°C/min	130 – 140°C	
Fire retardancy UL 94	V – O	
Copper peel strength @ 25°C (lb/in)	9 – 11	
T260 (min)	10 – 15	
Decomposition temperature (°C)	315	

Typical Properties

Property ⁽¹⁾	Value	Method
Epoxide Equivalent Weight (g/eq) on solids	425 – 440	ASTM D-1652
Color (Gardner)	2 Max.	ASTM D-1544
Viscosity @ 25°C (mPa•s)	1500 – 2500	ASTM D-445
Bromine Content on Resin Solids (%)	19.5 – 21.5	Calculated
Hydrolyzable Chloride Content (ppm)	190 – 290	ASTM D-1726
Volatiles (wt%)	18.5 – 20.5	DowM 101188
Reactivity @ 171°C (sec)	180 – 240	DowM 101210
Water Content (%)	0.17 Max.	ASTM E-203
Shelf Life (Months)	24	

⁽¹⁾ Typical properties, not to be construed as specifications.

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