# ROHACELL®

**Technical Information** 

# ROHACELL® EC

# A very special foam

ROHACELL<sup>®</sup> EC is a polymethacrylimide (PMI) based foam core material specifically designed for stealth applications.

During processing, the polymer is loaded with carbon particles resulting in a conductive foam product that possesses superior dielectric properties and enables absorption of electromagnetic waves at radar frequencies.

#### **Dielectric properties**

Property	Frequency [GHz]	ROHACELL® 71 EC	ROHACELL® 150 EC
Real part of	5	1.44	1.83
permittivity	10	1.33	1.62
	20	1.25	1.68
	30	1.28	1.52
Imaginary part	5	0.18	0.41
of permittivity	10	0.12	0.30
	20	0.14	0.24
	30	0.10	0.20

Scattering parameters determined using transmission / reflection method (waveguide and Vector Network Analyzer). Permittivity determined using Nicholson Ross Weir algorithm. Single measurement based values.

Additionally, ROHACELL® EC features all the exceptional thermomechanical properties and strength-to-weight ratios found in traditional ROHACELL® foam products. This combination of properties makes it an excellent sandwich core solution for components requiring both radar absorption properties and superior mechanical performance. Typical applications include use in stealth aircraft and electromagnetic shielding.

## Outstanding mechanical performance

Due to its closed cell structure, ROHACELL® EC provides controlled resin absorption since the resin enters only the cut cells on the surface of the core material. This assures secure bonding of the core to the surface layers, but adds no excessive resin weight to the finished part.

With excellent weight-specific mechanical properties at very low weight, this lightweight foam is available in nominal densities starting at 75 kg/m<sup>3</sup> (4.68 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>).

## **Efficient Processing**

ROHACELL® EC can withstand the most demanding curing and processing conditions up to 180°C and 7 bars depending on material density. It is compatible with all common curing processes including vacuum infusion, resin transfer molding, pre-preg autoclaving, as well as hand lay-up.

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- Subject to EEC regulation 1334/2000 annex IV, a EEC domestic export license is required
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Property	Standard	Unit	ROHACELL® 71 EC	ROHACELL® 150 EC
Density	ISO 845	kg/m³	75	150
	ASTM D 1622	lbs/ft³	4.68	9.36
Compressive Strength	ISO 844	MPa	1.6	5.0
	ASTM D 1621	psi	232	725
Tensile Strength	ISO 527-2	MPa	2.0	4.8
	ASTM D 638	psi	290	696
Elastic Modulus	ISO 527-2	MPa	105	245
	ASTM D 638	psi	15200	35500
Shear Strength	DIN 53294	MPa	1.0	3.5
	ASTM C 273	psi	145	508
Shear Modulus	DIN 53294	MPa	36	90
	ASTM C 273	psi	5220	13100
Elongation at Break	ISO 527-2	%	3.2	N/A
	ASTM D 638			

Technical data of our products are typical values for the nominal density.

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