



PLEXIGLAS® XT, UV transmitting

Clear OA770

Product

PLEXIGLAS® XT Clear OA770, an extruded clear and highly UV-permeable acrylic (polymethyl methacrylate, PMMA), was specially developed as a cover material for sun bed canopies.

This means that elements made from this material are used to cover lamps in the roof section of solariums, sun beds etc.; PLEXIGLAS® XT OA770 is not designed for rests/supports or parts entering into contact with sun bed users.

The UV transmission of this material even increases noticeably after a few hours' exposure to UV radiation.

Properties

Besides the general properties of PLEXIGLAS® like

- Excellent light transmission and brilliance
- Outstanding weather resistance
- Easy to fabricate
- High surface hardness
- Light weight – half the weight of glass
- 11 times more break resistant than glass

PLEXIGLAS® XT UV transmitting possesses the following properties:

- UV transmitting

Applications

Due to these properties PLEXIGLAS® XT UV transmitting is suitable for the following application

- sun bed canopies

Fabrication

Given the correct conditions, PLEXIGLAS® XT OA770 can be sawn, drilled, milled, ground and polished with excellent results. However, as with all extruded acrylics, special care must be taken during machining to avoid excessive heat generation (use sharp tools and possibly a coolant). Twist drills must have the "acrylic grinding".

When polishing, only slight pressure may be applied. PLEXIGLAS® XT OA770 lends itself lust as readily to bonding as the PLEXIGLAS® XT basic grades. Suitable solvent-type adhesives are ACRIFIX® 1S 0116 and 1S 0117; ACRIFIX® 2R 0190 and 1R 0192 are suitable reaction adhesives with a filling effect.

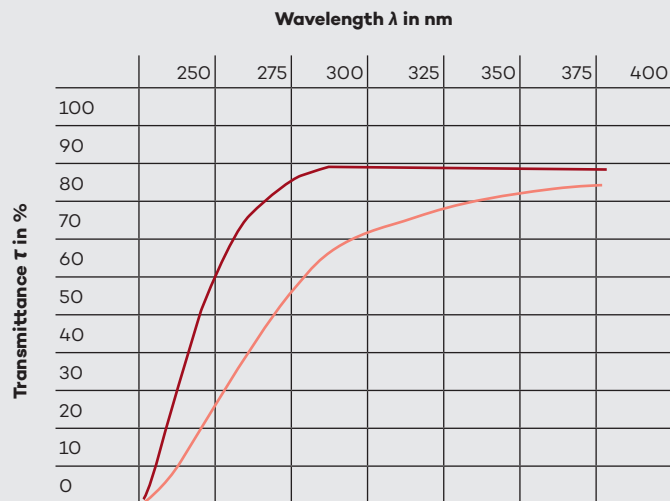
The forming conditions are the same as for basic grades of PLEXIGLAS® XT. The forming temperature should be between 150 and 160 °C, since the material is thermo-elastic in that range. Predrying is not required, provided the sheets are correctly stored with the protective PE masking left on. PLEXIGLAS® XT OA770 may be installed cold-curved, if the bending radius does not fall below the minimum radius of 330 times the thickness. Annealing is to improve acrylic parts.

Annealing of the finished part is advisable in order to relieve stress produced during fabrication and to reduce crazing risk, particularly if the material was locally heated, e. g. during linebending. Annealing should be performed in a ventilated oven for about 2 to 4 hours at 70 °C, followed by a slow cooling.

UV transmission and UV resistance

The diagram shows the spectral transmittance between 250 and 400 nm upon delivery of the material (Curve 1). The UV transmission increases after a few hours' exposure to a Philips UVA solarium lamp to the values shown in Curve 2. This curve remains unchanged even after 4,000 hours' exposure to the lamp.

UV-transmission of PLEXIGLAS® XT OA770



- Clear OA770 upon delivery (Curve 1)
- after 4,000 hrs' exposure to a solarium lamp Philips, Type UVA (Curve 2)

Product range

PLEXIGLAS® XT OA770 solid sheets are available from our Special Range

- in sizes with the fabrication width of 2050 mm,
- in thicknesses up to 3 mm.

Information on cut - to - size sheets, delivery times, prices, and other conditions upon request.

For sun bed rests/supports, that means UV-permeable parts entering into contact with sun bed users, cast solid sheets of PLEXIGLAS® GS Clear 2458 / 2458 SC are used.

Hints for application

PLEXIGLAS® XT OA770 is easy to clean.

Do not rub dry surfaces. Dusty surfaces can be wiped over with warm water to which some dishwashing liquid has been added, and a soft cloth or sponge.

"Burnus antistatic cleaning agent" (from Burnus GmbH, Darmstadt), is particularly suitable for cleaning PLEXIGLAS®. However, care should be taken to employ only cleaning agents that do not damage acrylic, and to follow closely the relevant manufacturer's instructions for use.

Under no circumstances should concentrated disinfectants or solvents, e. g. Sagrotan, Lysoform, ethyl alcohol or other liquids containing alcohol, be used. The sheet manufacturer cannot be held responsible for damage caused by chemicals such as unsuitable cleaning agents and similar products.

Technical Data

| Typical values (23 °C/50 % r. F.) (3 mm thickness) | PLEXIGLAS® XT OA770 | Unit | Test Method |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| Density | 1.19 | g/cm ³ | ISO 1183 |
| Impact strength (Charpy) | 12 | kJ/m ³ | ISO 179/1 fu |
| Notched impact strength (Izod) | 2 | kJ/m ³ | ISO 179/1 eA |
| Tensile strength | 72 | MPa | ISO 527-2/1B/5 |
| Elongation at break | 4.5 | % | ISO 527-2/1B/50 |
| Modulus of elasticity | 3300 | MPa | ISO 527-2/1B/1 |
| Flexural strength | 105 | MPa | ISO 178 |
| Coefficient of linear thermal expansion (0 to 50 °C) | 7 · 10 ⁻⁵ (= 0,07) | 1/K (mm/m °C) | DIN 53752-A |
| Max. permanent service temperature | 70 | °C | - |
| Reverse forming temperature | > 80 | °C | - |
| Vicat softening temperature | 102 | °C | ISO 306, Method B50 |
| Transmittance (380...780 nm) | 92 | % | DIN 5036, Part 3 |
| UV transmission | UV-transmitting from 250 nm | - | - |
| Surface resistivity | 5 · 10 ¹³ | Ohm | DIN VDE 0303, Part 3 |
| Building material class (according to Baustoffklasse DIN 4102) | B2 | - | DIN 4102 |
| Combustion behavior | Class E | - | DIN EN 13501 |
| Water absorption (24 h, 23 °C) sample 60 x 60 x 2 mm ³ | 30 | mg | ISO 62, Method 1 |

For further typical data please see the Technical Information of PL EXIGLAS® GS/XT (211-1).

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