

# TPU-70A THERMOPLASTIC URETHANE POWDER



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Prodways TPU-70A is a fine powder based on Thermoplastic Urethane, specifically formulated to function on laser sintering- or radiation-based additive manufacturing systems. It enables the manufacturing of prototypes, presentation models and functional parts in elastomeric plastic with:

- Elastic elongation up to 350%
- High detail resolution
- Long life cycle without infiltration
- Flexible and smooth
- Very low refresh rates
- Good chemical resistance
- Easy to color

## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Chemical nature of the preparation	POLURETHANE blend : Polyurethane, Presence of additives and stabilizers	
Grades (*)	Natural: 70A	
Physical State (20°C) and Color	Solid (powder) Natural grade : White to slightly yellowish	
Odor	Transparent, hardly noticeable	
pH	not applicable (aqueous suspension)	
Average particle size	Diffraction laser	45 < $\mu$ < 90 $\mu$ m
	Grain size D10	48 $\mu$ m
	Grain size D50	60 $\mu$ m
	Grain size D90	88 $\mu$ m
Powder packed Density 23°C	1.20	+/- 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Bulk Density	Natural (20°C) : 1110 - 1200 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	
Part Density	1.12	+/- 0.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Density	Natural (20°C) : 1020 - 1150 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	
23°C Moisture absorption 24 hrs.	ASTM D570	* +/- 0.05 %

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## THERMAL PROPERTIES

T <sup>f</sup> Melting point >95 °C (KOFLE) / softening range: >80 °C (KOFLE)	DSC	105 < __ < 122 °C
T <sup>g</sup> Glazing point	DSC	+/- °C
Heat Deflection Temperature at 1.82 Mpa	ASTM D648	* +/- * °C
T° Process (according to machine reading)	Glazing method	-11 +/-2°C (ex : 103 °C +/-2)
Flashpoint		>220°C
Decomposition Temperature		Polyurethane: > 225 °C
Development of flammable gases / vapors. Dangerous decomposition products		Toxic gases & vapors such as: CO (carbon monoxide), CO <sup>2</sup> (carbon dioxide), NO (nitrogen oxide)
Autoignition Temperature		>390°C
Explosive Properties (*)		Dust may form explosive mixture in air (30 - 60 g/m <sup>3</sup> ) Test of dust behavior in explosions : (*) Kst = 200 - 250 m.bar/s (1550) / 301 m.bar/s (*) Explosibility class : St2(1550) / St3(2000)
Explosive Limits (*)		Lower : (in air 30 - 60 g/m <sup>3</sup> ) (*) Higher (*) : In air(*) Approximately 200 g/m <sup>3</sup> (estimated) (*)
Flammability – Fire Classification UL-94 following ASTM D618(ISO 921) with a barrel 125 mm x 13 mm, e=13 mm	UL94 vertical&Horizontal test	Natural grade: HC Out Classification

## MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

Tensile strength XY (average XY)	ISO 527	7 +/- 1 MPa*
Tensile strength Z (average Z)	ISO 527	5.5 +/- 1 MPa*
Young modulus	ISO 527	65 +/- 25 MPa*
Elongation at break XY (average XY)	ISO 527	350 +/- 25 %*
Elongation at break Z (average Z)	ISO 527	200 +/- 15 %*
Flexural modulus	ISO 178	* +/- 25 MPa*
Charpy – Impact strength	ISO 179	* No break, dry/cond. 24 hrs. KJm <sup>2</sup>
Charpy – Notched impact strength	ISO 179	* +/- * KJm <sup>2</sup>
Shore Test (Shore A)	ISO 868A	70 +/- 5 Shore A

\*statistics after several cycles >10 refresh

## CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Matrix in TPU with a good chemical resistance to alkaline, hydrocarbons, oils, gasolines, gas oil and solvents. Attack by the acids.

### Solubility:

Water (*)	Insoluble in Water (20 °C) < 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (estimated) (*)
Solvents	Under investigation

## ELECTRICAL PROPERTIES

Volume resistivity	CEI 93	* Ohms/m
Horizontal surface Voluminal resistivity, Vertical surface Voluminal resistivity	CEI 93	* Ohms

Insulator			Static Dissipative						Conductor						
1E+15	1E+14	1E+13	1E+12	1E+11	1E+10	1E+9	1E+8	1E+7	1E+6	1E+5	1E+4	1E+3	1E+2	1E+1	Ohms/m

## SURFACE FINISH

Natural coloration	Visual	Cream white, slightly yellow
Surface Ra/ Upper Facing processed & blasting, Surface Ra	ISO 4287	12-14 +/- 2 µm
Surface Ra/ Upper Facing after Finishing, Surface Ra	ISO 4287	6 +/- 1 µm



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