

### INTRODUCTION

AVALON 65 DB is a high performance polyester based thermoplastic polyurethane for injection moulding.

AVALON 65 DB is part of the AVALON Perform Range and offers a premium soling material for sports footwear and top-pieces.

### The features offered include:

- Durability
- Excellent surface definition
- Abrasion resistance
- Flex resistance
- Phthalate free TPU

Table 1: Typical Physical Properties (1)			
Property	Method	Unit	Value
Density	ISO 2781	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	1.23
Hardness, Shore A	ISO 868	Α	-
Hardness, Shore D	ISO 868	D	65
Tensile Strength	ISO 37	MPa	45
Elongation at Break	ISO 37	%	350
100% Modulus	ISO 37	MPa	22
300% Modulus	ISO 37	MPa	34
Tear Strength (Angle)	ISO 34B	kN/m	220
Compression Set @ 23°C	ISO 815	%	25
Abrasion Resistance	ISO 4649	${\sf mm}^3$	35
Ross Flex @ -10°C	BS 5131	k.cycles	-
Flexural Modulus @ 23°C	ISO 178	MPa	250

<sup>(1):</sup> Test plates conditioned 20 hours at 100°C before testing

# PRODUCT DATA

# AVALON® 65 DB

# Thermoplastic Polyurethane

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY ADVICE**

Before undertaking any trials with this product it is essential that all personnel are aware of the necessary precautions that must be taken. These are detailed in the relevant Safety Data Sheet that will be provided by Huntsman Polyurethanes.

### POLYMER SELECTION

Before selecting this product it is necessary that the user ensures its performance will meet all operational and end use requirements. Having satisfied these requirements, should changes be contemplated in method of application, materials, service conditions or any other change that could affect the ultimate performance of the end product, then further tests and trials should be carried out.

For assistance with particular problems and applications, please contact the AVALON TPU Technical Service Department.

# **PACKAGING & STORAGE**

AVALON TPU is supplied in 20 or 25 kg moisture guarded sacks, 40 per pallet and shrink wrapped.

AVALON Thermoplastic Polyurethanes may be stored for 24 months from the date of manufacture, sealed in the manufacturers original packaging.





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### MATERIAL PREPARATION

AVALON TPU grades are supplied pre dried in moisture guarded sacks

To ensure trouble free processing and high quality injection moulded parts. it is preferable to dry AVALON TPU grades.

The recommended drying conditions are 2hrs at 80-90°C in a desiccant dryer.

For specific advice on colouring AVALON TPU grades, the use of additives and regrind, please contact the AVALON TPU Technical Service group.

### SCREW DESIGN

Injection moulding machines with general purpose polyethylene type 3 stage screws are most suitable for processing AVALON TPU grades.

High shear screws with mixing pins, nylon type screws or short compression stage screws are not recommended.

The most suitable configuration is listed in Table 2.

### MOULD CONSIDERATIONS

To avoid shear degradation the runner system should be as generous as possible with a full round / circular or trapezoid section offering the best results.

Gating should be as large as possible with a relatively short length to ensure maximum transference of holding pressure.

Most designs are appropriate with the exception of submarine and pin gating.

Mould cavities with a sand blasted finish will improve demoulding.

However polished moulds give best transparency properties.

Standard venting techniques should be employed to eliminate air trapping and burn marks.

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# Table 2: Typical Processing Parameters Typical Screw Diameter 40 - 120 mm L/D Ratio 20 - 25:1Compression ratio 2.0 - 3.0:13 Stage Design Feed Zone 0.4L 0.3L Compression Zone Metering Zone 0.3L Screw rotation speed 20 - 80 rpm Injection pressure 20 - 100 Bar Secondary or holding pressure 10 - 50 Bar Back pressure 0.3 – 3 Bar Injection speed As slow as possible Mould temperature 25 - 50°C Temperature profile: Feed Zone 25 - 35°C 190 - 210°C Rear Zone 195 - 215°C Centre Zone 200 - 220°C Front Zone 195 - 210°C Nozzle Tip

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