



# PEXIDAN<sup>®</sup> L/T

**High density moisture curable polyethylene compound for hot and cold water plumbing pipe. Suitable for SDR 9 pipe applications in continuous service at operating conditions of 140°F and 80 psi.**

## Description

Pexidan® L/T (including L/T Eclipse) is a high density PEX System consisting of a silane grafted base-compound A-1001 and a catalyst masterbatch CAT-003. When mixed and extruded in the proper proportions, the two-component system results in a material that is crosslinkable by exposure to moisture or by immersion in hot water at 90-95°C. Pexidan® L/T is listed by NSF International to Standards 14 and 61 and to Canadian Standards Association standard B137.5. NSF certification to ASTM F 876 and ASTM F 2023 testifies to its superior resistance to oxidation by hot, chlorinated water. Pexidan® L/T is permitted to be used in domestic continuous re-circulation systems and is listed by NSF as a NSF-pw CL5 / PEX 5006 material.

Physical and mechanical properties	Typical value	Unit	Test method
- Specific gravity @ 23°C	0.946	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	ASTM D 792
- MFR, 190°C/2.16 kg	0.8	g/10'	Padanaplast USA
Hydrostatic Design Basis (HDB) @ 68% DOC			ASTM D 2837
- 73°F (23°C)	1 250	psi	
- 180°F (82°C)	800	psi	
- 200°F (93°C)	630	psi	
- Mechanical properties: tensile strength at break tensile strength at yield elongation at break	3 050 2 900 400	psi psi %	ASTM D 638
- Flexural elastic modulus: @ -40°C @ 0°C @ 23°C	75 000 55 000 30 000	psi psi psi	ISO 178
- Hot set test, 15 minutes @150°C, 0.2 N/mm <sup>2</sup> load: elongation under load permanent elongation after cooling	30 0	% %	IEC 811
- Oxidative Induction Time (OIT)	>50	minutes	ASTM D 3895
- Vicat softening point	124	°C	ASTM D 1525
- Specific heat @t 23°C	1.92	J/(g °K)	
- Linear expansion coefficient (between -100°C and +85°C)	1.5 x10 <sup>-4</sup>	1/ °K	ASTM D 696
- Young's modulus: @ -40°C @ 0°C @ 23°C	335 000 245 000 125 000	psi psi psi	ISO 527
- Degree of Crosslinking	70 min.	%	ASTM D 2765

Typical values reported above (except MFR) are obtained from samples cured in hot water (6 hours @ 95°C).

## Processing

The grafted base A-1001 must be mixed with type CAT-003 catalyst masterbatch in the proportion 95:5 by weight. Mixing must be done just before consumption. Introduction of the component mixture directly in the hopper of the extruder using a gravimetric or loss-in-weight feeder is strongly recommended to obtain accurate mixtures. Pexidan® L/T and L/T Eclipse can be processed with single screw extruders having proper temperature control and a good mixing PE screw (2.5:1 ratio at least).

The following temperature profile is suggested:

barrel zones:	from 320 to 350°F
head:	365°F
die:	365°F
screw:	Neutral (no screw cooling)

These temperatures may depend on the equipment being used. All tooling should be designed to prevent stagnation of the material anywhere in the system. In case of prolonged shutdown, purge the extruder with HDPE.

Curing can be done in the following ways:

- by immersion in hot water at 90-95°C
- by exposure to low pressure steam

In all cases curing time depends on pipe wall thickness, temperature, relative humidity and any packaging used.

It is suggested that the catalyst and color masterbatches be dried for 4-6 hours at 60°C (150°F) in a desiccant dryer prior to usage.

## Storage

Due to the moisture sensitivity of Pexidan® L/T materials, Padanaplast USA suggests that the following points be considered when storing the materials:

- Maintain at ambient temperature not exceeding 30°C
- Avoid direct exposure to sunlight and weathering
- Once the package has been opened it is suggested that the entire contents be used

## Packaging

Both the A-1001 and the CAT-003 masterbatches are available in 1400 lb (636kg) gaylords or 300 lb (145kg) fibre drums.

Our Technical Service is at your disposal for further information and assistance.

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