

TPU CARBON FIBER

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET VERSION 1.0

The new flexible reinforced with carbon fiber filament has conductive properties. The finish of the pieces, made with this filament, have a matt black finish surface (This is its natural colour, since it does not contain colour additives). The surface hardness is Shore 90A. They also have great resistance against UV rays, which makes it more suitable for outdoor applications than other filaments.

Applications for TPU CF:

- o Elecommunications.
- o Hospital equipment.
- o Cases and packaging.
- o Aerospace and automotive.
- o Shock absorbing padding.
- o Driving belts, distribution belts, flexible tubes and connectors.

Creation of electrically conductive circuits used for flexible electronics. Here are some examples of this application:

- o Computer interface, Arduino and other components.
- o LED power supply.
- o Digital Keyboards, Trackpads.
- o Pressure sensitive buttons.
- o Wearable Electronics.
- o Medical devices, electrodes for electrocardiogram (ECG or EKG).
- o Neural surface electrodes.

	TIPICAL VALUE	UNITS	TEST METHOD
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES			
Chemical name	Polyurethane with Carbon Fiber		
Material density	1.24	g/cm³	ISO 1183
MECHANICAL PROPERTIES			
Tensile Strength	65	MPa	ISO 527-1
Modulus of Elasticity	1450	MPa	ISO 527-1
Tensile Elongation	25	%	ISO 527-1
Charpy Impact (notched at 23º)	55	KJ/m²	ISO 179 1eA
ELECTRICAL PROPERTIES			
Surface Resistivity	3x10⁴	Ω	ASTM D 257
PRINTING PROPERTIES			
Print temperature	215-245	°C	
Bed temperature	45-60	°C	
Fan layer	80-100	%	
Print speed	20-35	mm/s	

* Values measured on molded test specimen

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USE RECOMENDATIONS

PROTECT FROM HUMIDITY

Innovatefil® TPU CF is delivered in a vacuum bag, with a great barrier against moisture so that the filament can not absorb humidity. Prior to bagging, the filament follows the strictest quality controls by dehumidifying the raw material until the moisture content of less than 0.02%. During the process, the filament is cooled with dry air and then pocketed to ensure that the product is of the best quality.

Once unpacked, we recommend to keep it in a dry and dark environment. If it is not maintained in a suitable environment the material can absorb up to 0.5% of the atmospheric moisture, this can create water vapor in the extrusion that confers a poor surface finish.

To maintain optimal printing conditions, it is recommended to dry the material before using it in a 3D printer filament. Many printing equipments already have these drying systems incorporated.

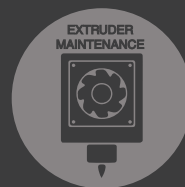
KEEP THE EXTRUDER IN GOOD CONDITION

Once printing is finished it is necessary to clean the nozzle eliminating the excess of material to avoid seals and defects in the printing pieces, if several materials are used we recommend to have a nozzle for each material to avoid being mixed.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE USE OF CARBON FIBER

The carbon fiber makes the filament very abrasive so recommend to use hardened steel nozzles or similar to print, and thus avoid premature wear of the components.

To achieve a better finish and avoid printing problems, we recommend to use nozzles over 0.4 mm diameter, print layer height of 0.2 mm or greater, not following these recommendations could cause problems of nozzle clogging.



DISCLAIMER: The information provided in the data sheets is intended to be just a reference. It should not be used as design or quality control values. Actual values may differ significantly depending on the printing conditions. The final performance of the printed components does not only depend on the materials, also the design and printing conditions are important.

Smart Materials assumes no responsibility for any damage, injury or loss produced by the use of its filaments in any particular application.