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## Printing with PolyMax<sup>™</sup> PC-FR

## PolvMax<sup>™</sup> PC-FR

PolyMax<sup>™</sup> PC-FR is a creation from Covestro's Makrolon<sup>®</sup> family, could achieve VO performance in the UL94 flame retardancy test and displays excellent toughness, strength and heat resistance. This filament opens new applications in the automotive, railway and aerospace industries.



## **Printing settings**

Nozzle Temperature: Bed Temperature: Chamber Temperature: 90-100 °C Printing Speed: Cooling Fan:

250-270 °C 90-105 °C 30-50 mm/s OFF

Note: Settings are based on 0.4 mm nozzle, and may vary with different printers and nozzle diameters.

## **Bed** surface

PolvMax<sup>™</sup> PC-FR can be printed on almost any surface with a thin coat of Magigoo PC. We recommend a flex plate to facilitate the removal of the model from the plate.

## High temperature conditions

We recommend a full metal hot end that can maintain a stable temperature of at least 260°C. We also recommend to use a heated chamber capable of reaching at least 80°C.

### — Annealing PolyMax<sup>™</sup> PC-FR parts

We recommend annealing all models printed in PolyMax<sup>™</sup> PC-FR. This allows users to take full advantage of the mechanical and thermal properties.

The annealing process consists of putting the model in an oven at 100  $^\circ\mathrm{C}$  for 2 hours.

#### — Support material

PolyDissolve<sup>™</sup> S2 is the recommended support material for PolyMax<sup>™</sup> PC-FR.

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## PCP: Profile Creation Process

The profile creation process (PCP) allows users to rapidly develop a printing profile for any given material/printer. During this process is important to consider all of these factors to build a successful profile.

Geometry Material Printer Environment Purpose

Polymaker developed the PCP to assist customers in creating their own tailored print profiles; taking into account the material, printer, environment as well as the models geometry and purpose. Additionally, the PCP allows individuals to develop their own knowledge and troubleshooting skills.

#### The PCP is available on www.polymaker.com

### The PCP is divided in 5 steps:

It uses less than 300g of materials and less than 7h of working time.

- Step 1: Extrusion Flow
- Step 2: Flow Management
- Step 3: Cooling Fan
- Step 4: Warpage
- Step 5: Fine Details

Each of these steps has a specific objective and introduces an important concept about the FFF 3D printing process. Each step will also give you the possibility to push your test further for more accurate results.

## Polymaker PC materials

		<b>O</b> Specialty	<b>O</b> Specialty	O PolyMax™	O PolyMax™	O PolyLite™
		PC-ABS	PC-PBT	PC-FR	PC	PC
Young's modulus (MPa)	Ŷ	1832	1986	2634	2048	2307
Tensile strength (MPa)	0	39.9	41.8	67	59.7	62.7
Elongation at break (%)	þ	4.2	4.6	3.9	12.2	3.2
Bending modulus (MPa)	þ	2081	1933	2518	2044	2477
Bending strength (MPa)	þ	66.3	64.4	96.6	94.1	100.4
Charpy impact strength (kJ/m²)	0	25.8	21.4	11.7*	25.1	3.4

\*The flame retardant significantly reduces the toughness of the raw PC material but the composition still provides a good balance between mechanical properties and flame retardant performance.

Note: Tested with 3D printed specimens.

## PolyMax<sup>™</sup> PC-FR

"FR" stands for Flame Retardant which refers to the substance added to PolyMax™ PC-FR to prevent fires from spreading.

UL 94 is a plastics flammability standard used to measure the material's tendency to either extinguish or spread the flame once the specimen has been ignited.



## PolyMax<sup>™</sup> PC-FR satisfies UL 94 with the highest grading "V-0"

Sample thickness 1.5mm:

**1)** None of the five samples can have flaming combustion for more than 10 seconds after each of two 10-second flame applications.

**2)** Total flaming combustion time for 5 samples may not exceed 50 seconds.

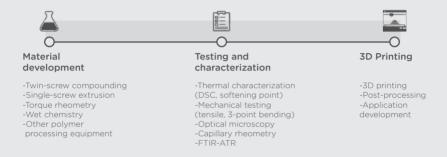
**3)** None of the five samples may burn with flaming or glowing combustion up to the holding clamp.

**4)** None of the five samples may drip flaming particles which ignite dry absorbent cotton located 305mm below the sample.

**5)** None of the five samples may have glowing combustion which persists for more than 30 seconds after the second removal of the flame.

## Material Development

If your application requires a specific material that is not yet available in the market, consider our custom development service. With our talented material scientists and application engineers, we are ready to develop the necessary materials to enable your unique application.



Our state-of-the art R&D facilities allow us to engineer materials at different levels and fully optimize them for 3D printing. Our goal is to deliver materials with the right combination of properties/functions, processability and form to suit your needs!



# Polymaker products



PLA PETG ABS PC ASA



PLA PETG PC PC-FR





CoPA CoPA PA6-CF PA6-GF



PolyBox™ Polysher™



**S**1 S2



PolyWood<sup>™</sup> PolySmooth<sup>™</sup> PolySupport<sup>™</sup> PolyCast<sup>™</sup> © Polymaker<sup>™</sup> PC-PBT © Polymaker<sup>™</sup> PC-ABS

More products coming soon...

Industrial range: 🚺

# **Technologies**

#### STABILIZED FOAMING™

Wood

Stabilized Foaming<sup>™</sup>





JAM-FREE™

Regular PLA



With Jam-Free™



ASH-FREE™

Without Ash-Free™ Ash content: 0.5%





With Ash-Free™





FIBER ADHESION™



#### WARP-FREE<sup>™</sup>

Regular Nylon







#### NANO-REINFORCEMENT



#### LAYER-FREE™

# About Polymaker

## **Our Values**



## **Mission**

Polymaker is committed to lowering the barriers to innovation and manufacturing, by continuously developing advanced 3D printing material technologies for industries and consumers.

## Contact us

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