### **Product Overview**

# **F-502 Phenolic Prepregs**

Park's F-502 is a MIL-R-9299 phenolic resin system suitable for impregnation on any MIL-C-9084 fabric with a compatible finish. F-502 is used in the manufacture of ablative reinforcements in rocket nozzles, as well as ducting and secondary structures.

### **Key Features & Benefits**

- Provides a combination of high-strength and ablative properties for demanding applications
- Low thermal expansion
- Good Tack and Drape properties
- Conforms to MIL-R-9299 Type B

#### **Product Forms**

- Available on a wide variety of reinforcements, including fiberglass, graphite, and quartz.
- Also available as a Molding Compound and Bias Tape
- Solution coated fabrics up to 60 inches wide
- Compatible with Autoclave or Press Molding processes

### **Applications / Qualifications**

- Rocket Nozzles
- Ducting
- Secondary Structures

### **Qualified Specifications**

- GMS4001

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### Technical Datasheet

# **F-502 Phenolic Prepregs**

### **Prepreg Physical Properties**

| Reinforcement                  | 3K 8HS<br>PAN | 12K GA090<br>UniTape | 7628<br>E-Glass | 7781<br>E-Glass | 581<br>Quartz | Silica   |
|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|----------|
| Fabric Area Weight (gsm)       | 617           | 300                  | 203             | 303             | 475           | 610      |
| Prepreg Resin Content (%)      | 32 – 38       | 32 – 38              | 36 – 44         | 31 – 37         | 33 – 39       | 31 – 37  |
| Resin Flow (325°F, 103kPa) (%) | 10 – 25       | 5 – 20               | 20 - 32         | 5 – 20          | 5 – 20        | 10 - 30  |
| Volatiles (275°F, 8 min) (%)   | 2 – 8         | 3 – 5                | 5 – 8           | 2 – 5           | 2 – 5         | 6 – 10   |
| Gel Time (sec)                 | 50-200        | 50-200               | 50-100          | 50-100          | 50-200        | 50 - 100 |

### **Cured Laminate Physical Properties**

| Reinforcement                                    | 3K 8HS<br>PAN | 12K GA090<br>UniTape | 7781<br>E-Glass   | 581<br>Quartz    | Silica |  |
|--|---------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------|--|
| Per Ply Thickness                                | 0.016         | 0.010                | 0.009             | 0.012            | 0.028  |  |
| Specific Gravity<br>ASTM-D-792                   | 1.35          | 1.45                 | 1.75              | 1.70             | 1.7    |  |
| Hardness (Barcol)<br>ASTM-D-2583                 | 75            | 75                   | 70                | 75               | 70     |  |
| Specific Heat (J/g °F)<br>ASTM-C-351             |               |                      | 1.17<br>(@ 150°F) | 0.84<br>(@ 75°F) |        |  |
| CTE - with ply 80 - 400°F (ppm/°F)<br>ASTM-D-696 |               |                      |                   | 4.5              |        |  |
| CTE – x-ply 80 - 400°F (ppm/°F)<br>ASTM-D-696    |               |                      |                   | 19.0             |        |  |

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### **Laminate Mechanical Properties**

| Reinfor                    | cement       | 3K 8HS<br>PAN | 12K GA090<br>UniTape | 7781<br>E-Glass | 581<br>Quartz | Silica   |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------|
| Cure Cycle                 |              | 325°F         | 325°F                | 325°F           | 325°F         | 325°F    |
|                            |              | Autoclave     | 1000 psi             | Autoclave       | Autoclave     | 1000 psi |
| Tensile Streng             | th, 0° (Ksi) |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| 75°F                       | Dry          | 89            | 225                  | 51              | 60            | 13       |
| 500°F                      | Dry          |               |                      | 48              |               |          |
| ASTM-D-638                 | ,            |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| Tensile Modul              | us, 0° (Msi) |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| 75°F                       | Dry          | 8.6           | 14                   | 3.7             | 3.5           | 2.4      |
| 500°F                      | Dry          |               |                      | 2.9             |               |          |
| ASTM-D-638                 | -            |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| Compressive Strength (Ksi) |              |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| 75°F                       | Dry          | 77            | 100                  | 67              | 65            | 24       |
| 500°F                      | Dry          |               |                      | 38              |               |          |
| ASTM-D-695                 |              |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| Compressive Modulus (Msi)  |              |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| 75°F                       | Dry          | 9.3           | 14                   | 3.5             | 3.6           | 2.4      |
| 500°F                      | Dry          |               |                      | 3.0             |               |          |
| ASTM-D-695                 |              |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| Flexural Strength (Ksi)    |              |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| 75°F                       | Dry          | 112           |                      | 71              | 85            | 23       |
| 500°F                      | Dry          |               |                      | 40              |               |          |
| ASTM-D-790                 |              |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| Flexural Modulus (MSI)     |              |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| 75°F                       | Dry          | 8.1           |                      | 3.6             | 3.5           | 2.5      |
| 500°F                      | Dry          |               |                      | 2.7             |               |          |
| ASTM-D-790                 |              |               |                      |                 |               |          |
| Snort Beam Si              | near (KSI)   | 4.0           |                      |                 |               |          |
|                            | Dry          | 4.8           |                      |                 |               |          |
| ASTM-D-53/9                |              |               |                      |                 |               |          |

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### **Processing Guidelines**

## **F-502 Phenolic Prepregs**

#### **Prepreg Storage Life**

Out Life: 30 days @ 75°F Shelf Life: 6 months @ 0°F and 3 months @ 40°F (dry) \*\*Store F-502 Silica at 0°F (dry)

### **Autoclave Cure Cycle**

- Apply 24"Hg vacuum (minimum) for 1 hour before beginning heat cycle
- Apply 10 psi autoclave pressure
- Raise product temperature from RT to 250°F at 2 5°F/min
- Increase autoclave pressure to 40 psi, vent vacuum at 15 20 psi
- Hold product at  $250 \pm 5^{\circ}F$  for 30 minutes
- Raise product temperature to 325 ± 5°C at 2 5°F/min
- Hold product at cure temperature for 60 90 minutes
- Cool to 150°F at no more than 8°F/min prior to releasing autoclave pressure

### **Optional Post Cure Cycle for High-Temp Applications**

- Heat Rise Rate between soak temperature: 2 -8°F/min
  - $\circ$  250°F for 2 hours
  - o 300°F for 1 hour
  - o 350°F for 1 hour
  - $\circ$  400°F for 1 hour
  - 425°F for 1 hour
  - $\circ$  450°F for 2 hours

Note: The following guidelines are provided to assist Park material users with general recommendations for successful processing. The recommendations are for general review purposes only and process adjustments may be required to achieve optimum results in your specific manufacturing environment.

### High Silica Phenolic Autoclave Cure Cycle

- Apply 24"Hg vacuum (minimum) for 1 hour before beginning heat cycle
- Raise product temperature from RT to 200°F at 2 6°F/min
- Apply autoclave pressure of 100 psi, vent vacuum at 15 20 psi
- Raise product temperature to 350°F at 2 6°F /min
- Hold product at 350± 5°F for 60 90 minutes
- Cool to 150°F at 8°F/min prior to releasing autoclave pressure
- Post Cure
  - Heat Oven to 350°F at 2 8°F /min and hold for 2 hours
  - $\circ$  Hold product at 400°F for 4 hours

