Product Overview

F-554 Phenolic Prepregs

Park's F-554 is a high purity silica filled phenolic resin coated on Commercial or Aerospace grade silica fabric. F-554 is used in the manufacture of intermediate temperature ablative rocket nozzles, heat shields, and combustion chambers in highly oxidative environments.

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

Product Forms

- Available in Broadgoods, Chopped Molding Compound and Bias Tape
- Solution coated fabrics up to 60 inches wide
- Compatible with Autoclave or Press Molding processes

Applications / Qualifications

- Rocket Nozzles
- Combustion Chambers
- Heat Shields
- Rocket Motor Throat Sections

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Prepreg Physical Properties

	Commercial Silica Fabric	Aerospace Silica Fabric	Chopped Molding Compound
Nominal Prepreg Weight (oz/sqyd)	31	30	30
Resin Solids Content (%)	29 -35	30 – 36	30 – 36
Filler Content (%)	2 – 4	2 – 4	2 – 4
Resin Flow (325°F, 150 psi) (%)	8 – 17	7 – 17	7 – 17
Volatiles (325°F, 10 min) (%)	2 – 5	2 – 5	2 – 4
Nominal Cured Ply Thickness (in)	0.021	0.021	

Cured Laminate Physical Properties

Reinforcement	Commercial Silica Fabric	Aerospace Silica Fabric	Chopped Molding Compound
Specific Gravity ASTM-D-792	1.7	1.7	1.7
Hardness (Barcol) ASTM-D-2583	70	70	75
Specific Heat (btu/lb°F) ASTM-C-351	0.24	0.24	0.23
Thermal Conductivity (BTU/ft2hr °F) @ 300°F	0.225	0.225	-

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Laminate Mechanical Properties

Rein	forcement	Commercial Silica Fabric	Aerospace Silica Fabric	Chopped Molding Compound
Cure Cycle		325°F	325°F	325°F
		Autoclave	Autoclave	2000 psi
Tensile Streng	th, 0° (Ksi)			·
75°F ASTM-D-638	Dry	19	13	9
Tensile Modulus, 0° (Msi)				
75°F ASTM-D-638	Dry	2.8	2.4	3.8
Compressive Strength (Ksi)				
75°F ASTM-D-695	Dry	47	24	40
Compressive Modulus (Msi)				
75°F ASTM-D-695	Dry	3.1	2.4	2.0
Flexural Strength (Ksi)				
75°F ASTM-D-790	Dry	29	23	16
Flexural Modulus (Msi)				
75°F ASTM-D-790	Dry	2.6	2.5	3.0
Short Beam Shear (Ksi)				
75°F ASTM-D-2344	Dry	3.9		

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Processing Guidelines

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Prepreg Storage Life

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Out Life: 30 days @ 75°F Shelf Life: 6 months @ 40°F (dry) 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.

Autoclave Cure Cycle (Broadgoods)

- 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 40psi, vent vacuum at 15 20 psi
- Hold product at 250 ± 5°F for 30 minutes
- Raise product temperature to $325 \pm 5^{\circ}F$ at $2 5^{\circ}F/min$
- Hold product at cure temperature for 60 90 minutes
- Cool to 150°F at no at no more than 8°F/min prior to releasing autoclave pressure

Press Cure Cycle (Chopped Molding Compound)

- Apply 1,000 2,000 psi pressure during cure
- Cure product at 325°F for 90 120 minutes

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