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# ASTAMID

# **POLYAMIDE**

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#### ASTAMID™ N-3020X7

ASTAMID™ N-3020X7 is a heat and UV stabilized Polyamide 12 based compound used for termite resistant jackets for communication cables. The hard surface of the Nylon 12 resists attack from termites in areas where they may be a problem. This material conforms to the requirements of the AS1049 standard.

	CONDITIONS	<u>UNITS</u>	TYPICAL VALUES	TESTING METHODS
1. Mechanical Properties				
Notched Izod Impact Strength	12.7 mm x 3.2 mm [DryM]	J/m	65	ASTM D256
Notched Charpy Impact Strength	10.0 mm x 4.0 mm [DryM]	kJ/m²	4.0	ISO 179
Tensile Strength	12.7x3.2mm @50mm/min [DryM]	MPa	45	ASTM D638
Elongation to Fail	12.7x3.2mm @5.0mm/min [DryM]	%	200	ASTM D638
Flexural Strength	12.7x3.2mm @1.3mm/min [DryM]	MPa	59	ASTM D790
Flexural Modulus	12.7x3.2mm @1.3mm/min [DryM]	MPa	1500	ASTM D790
2. Thermal Properties				
Heat Deflection Temperature	12.7 mm x 3.2 mm @ 1.82 MPa	<b>℃</b>	47	ASTM D648
	12.7 mm x 3.2 mm @ 0.455 MPa	℃	92	ASTM D648
Coefficient of Linear Thermal Expansion		cm/cm/°C	1.30E-04	ASTM D696
3. Physical Properties				
Melt Flow Rate	235℃, 2.16 kg	g/10 min	20	ASTM D1238
Rockwell Hardness		M	105	ASTM D785
UL Flammability	1.6 mm	Rating	HB	UL 94
Water Absorption	24 hours	%	0.70	ISO 62
Mould Shrinkage		%	1.0	ASTM D955
Specific Gravity		-	1.02	ASTM D792

[DryM] indicates "Dry-As-Moulded" and [Cond] indicates "Conditioned at 23  $^{\circ}$ C and 50% RH" All test results were obtained using uncoloured material.

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Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS): Code 33037501

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## TYPICAL PROCESSING CONDITIONS

## ASTAMID™ N-3020X7

The following typical guidelines are offered as initial processing conditions for ASTAMID™ N-3020X7 In practice, processing parameters may need to be varied to give commercially acceptable performance in conjunction with optimum physical properties. For specific technical advice on part design or processing conditions, contact the Marplex Technical Service Department.

Temperature of pellet bed in dehumidifying drier	75 - 85 ℃
Minimum drying time at desired pellet bed temp	Minimum 2 hours
Barrel Zone 2	180 - 185℃
Barrel Zone 1	170 - 180℃
Barrel Zone 3	185 - 190℃
Barrel Zone 4	190 - 195℃
Crosshead	195 - 205℃
Die	160 - 220℃
Melt	170 - 180℃

#### Comment(s):

- 2 ASTAMID™ N-3020X7 is not compatible with other polymers.
- 3 ASTAMID™ N-3020X7 absorbs moisture once the original packaging is opened. Ensure adequate drying of the material to avoid moisture related processing problems.

**Conversions:** 1 MPa = 145 psi

= 10.2 kg/cm<sup>2</sup> = 10 bar

 $^{\circ}$ C = 5(F-32)/9

 $1 \text{ kN/cm}^2 = 0.65 \text{ ton/in}^2$