



Polyethylene

# Borstar® ME6052

Black Bimodal Polyethylene Jacketing Compound for Energy and Communication Cables

## Description

**Borstar ME6052** is a black bimodal polyethylene jacketing compound, which is produced with the Borealis proprietary Borstar bimodal process technology.

Borstar technology allows the manufacturing of polymers outside the traditional MFR and density range making it possible to optimize processability, reduce shrinkage and yet provide excellent physical toughness and environmental stress crack resistance (ESCR).

Borstar ME6052 contains 2.5% well-dispersed carbon black in order to ensure excellent weathering resistance.

## Applications

**Borstar ME6052** is designed for:

Jacket for energy and communication cables

Borstar ME6052 offers a balance of properties giving advantages in manufacturing, installation and lifetime performance of communication and energy cables.

## Specifications

**Borstar ME6052** meets the applicable requirements as below when processed using sound extrusion practice and testing procedure:

ASTM D 1248 Type II, Class C, Category 4, Grade E8, E9, J4

ISO 1872-PE, KCHL, 33 D-006

The following cable material standards are met by Borstar ME6052:

EN 50290-2-24

DMP 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15

Cables manufactured with Borstar ME6052 using sound extrusion practice normally comply with the following cable product standards:

IEC 60502, Part 2, Type ST7

IEC 60708

IEC 60840, Type ST7

HD 603 S1, DMP 5, 7, 8

DIN VDE 0818

HD 620 S2, Part 1, table 4B, DMP 2, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15

UL 1072 Oil resistance I & II

## Special Features

**Borstar ME6052** consists of specially selected components to offer:

Superior processability

Excellent environmental stress cracking resistance (ESCR)

Good abrasion & scratch resistance

Low water permeability

Superior heat deformation

Good petroleum-jelly resistance

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Outstanding UV resistance  
Low shrinkage

Good surface hardness

### Physical Properties

Property	Typical Value	Test Method
Data should not be used for specification work		
Density (Base Resin)	936 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	ISO 1183-1, Method A
Density (Compound)	948 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	ISO 1183-1, Method A
Melt Flow Rate (190 °C/2,16 kg)	0,7 g/10min	ISO 1133-1, Method A
Melt Flow Rate (190 °C/5,0 kg)	3 g/10min	ISO 1133-1, Method A
Flexural Modulus	700 MPa	ISO 178
Tensile Strain at Break (50 mm/min)	800 %	ISO 527-2
Tensile Strength (50 mm/min)	30 MPa	ISO 527-2
Absorption coefficient (abs/m)	400	ASTM D3349
Brittleness temperature	< -76 °C	ASTM D 746
Environmental Stress Crack Resistance (50 °C, Igepal 10 % <sub>v</sub> , F0) <sup>1</sup>	> 5.000 h	IEC 60811-406
Hardness, Shore D (1 s)	55	ISO 868
Pressure Test at High Temperature (115 °C, 6 h)	< 10 %	IEC 60811-508

<sup>1</sup> No crack

### Electrical Properties

Property	Typical Value	Test Method
Data should not be used for specification work		
DC Volume Resistivity	10 PΩcm	IEC 60093
Dielectric Strength	20 kV/mm	IEC 60243

### Processing Techniques

Borstar ME6052 provides excellent surface finish and allows a broad processing window. For extrusion standard PE-screws are recommended, but also screws designed for PVC can be used with good result. To minimise shrink back gradient cooling with hot water, minimum 60°C in the first part of the cooling trough, is strongly recommended.

#### Extrusion

If preheating and/or drying is used, the maximum temperature should be 90°C.

Preheating	90 °C	Maximum recommended temperature
Melt temperature	185 - 190 °C	
Cooling water	60 °C	First part of cooling trough Minimum Temperature



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## Packaging

Package:           Bulk  
                      Octabins  
                      Bags

## Safety

The product is not classified as dangerous and is intended for industrial use only. Check and follow local codes and regulations!

Please see our "Safety data sheet" / "Product safety information sheet" for details on various aspects of safety of the product. For more information, contact your Borealis representative.

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