

## Mineral reinforced wear resistant grade

### POKETONE Polymer M63AM2A

POKETONE Thermoplastic Polymers are aliphatic polyketones, a revolutionary new class of semi-crystalline thermoplastics. Hyosung developed new catalyst to produce this unique polymer in 2013 and constructed commercial plant in 2015, in Ulsan, Korea.

POKETONE Polymer M63AM2A is a mineral reinforced injection moulding grade with mechanical properties which classify it as an engineering thermoplastic. Designed with demanding tribological applications in mind, such as gears, bearings etc., this cost efficient grade offers a high limiting pressure velocity ratio, low coefficient of friction and low wear. These benefits are achieved without sacrificing the toughness, moisture resistance and good fatigue performance which characterises the base polymer. POKETONE Polymer M63AM2A can also withstand short-term exposure to elevated temperatures. Moreover This polymer exhibits high resistance to hydrocarbons and other chemicals.

POKETONE Polymer M63AM2A is a high-flow, low-viscosity polymer that should be considered for mouldings with long flow paths or thin walls. This grade is very easy to process on standard injection moulding equipment. Cycle times are generally short. Parts show good mould definition with glossy mar-resistant surfaces. POKETONE Polymer's low moisture sensitivity means that no conditioning of parts before assembly or use is necessary.

Applications for POKETONE Polymer M63AM2A may be found in the electrical, industrial, consumer appliance and other markets.

**TABLE 1 : TYPICAL PROPERTIES OF POKETONE POLYMER M63AM2A**  
– Measured at 23 °C

|                              | Test Method & Conditions | ASTM Values           |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
|                              | ASTM                     | SI                    |
| Specific gravity             | D792                     | 1.31g/cm <sup>3</sup> |
| Melting temperature          | D3418                    | 222 °C                |
| Melt flow index 240°C/2.16kg | D1238                    | 0.2 g/10 min          |
| Tensile strength at yield    | D638                     | 59 MPa                |
| Tensile elongation at break  | D638                     | 77 %                  |
| Flexural strength            | D790                     | 71 MPa                |
| Flexural modulus             | D790                     | 2400 MPa              |
| Notched Izod impact strength | D356                     | 132 J/m               |

**TABLE 2 : TYPICAL INJECTION GUIDE OF POKETONE POLYMER M63AM2A**

|                        | Nominal Value  | Unit |
|------------------------|----------------|------|
| Drying Temperature     | 80             | °C   |
| Drying Time            | 3.0 to 4.0     | hr   |
| Suggested Max Moisture | 0.20           | %    |
| Rear Temperature       | 210            | °C   |
| Middle Temperature     | 215 to 220     | °C   |
| Front Temperature      | 230            | °C   |
| Nozzle Temperature     | 240            | °C   |
| Processing (Melt) Temp | 225 to 240     | °C   |
| Mold Temperature       | 60 to 80       | °C   |
| Back Pressure          | 0.294 to 0.686 | MPa  |

## Advanced Injection process guide for POKETONE

### Nozzle design of Injection machine

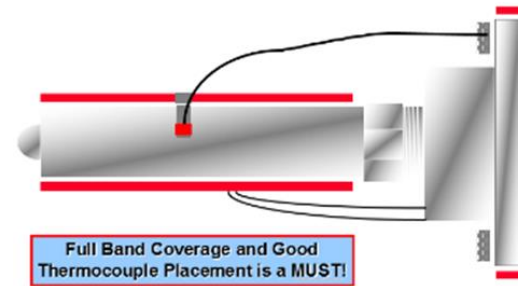
Well-controlled heated nozzles as using enough capacity heater and Separated thermocouple are strongly recommended to prevent freeze-off issue at nozzle due to small sized nozzle orifice or rapid solidification of POKETONE.

Recommended nozzle orifice size

Small sized m/c (200T less): min.  $\varnothing$  3.5mm

Mid sized m/c (200~450T): min.  $\varnothing$  4.0mm

Mid~Large m/c (500T over): min.  $\varnothing$  5.0mm



### Purging

Strongly recommend immediate thoroughly purged before or after injection of POKETONE Polymers at processing temperature with purging material such as PCTG, HDPE, GPPS or other commercially available purging compounds.

### Shut-down Procedure

At the completion of the molding run at normal barrel temperature (about 230~240°C), all traces of POKETONE should be thoroughly purged at processing temperature from the barrel with purging material such as PCTG, high viscosity-PP, HDPE, GPPS or other commercially available purging compound. (Should be immediately purged after POKETONE molding) After the purge appears clean, the screw is left in the forward position. Barrel and nozzle heats can then be turned off. (Can be purged several times at higher barrel temperature of 270~300°C for better cleaning of POKETONE, then purge again at the normal barrel temperature (about 240 °C) till purging clears.)

### Color master-batch, pigment Blending

Color additives dry blending, we recommend check the color guide leaflet in POKETONE homepage contacting us and discussing about it

### Hot runner

While most of crystalline engineering thermoplastics polymer including POKETONE Polymer is more heat-sensitive than amorphous polymer, careful treatment in hot runner system is needed.

- The manifold should be well-balanced without dead spot (hold-up) on flow path, and externally heated manifolds are preferred versus internally heated ones, as they allow better streamlining at intersections and generate less shear for the polymer.
- Direct gating on the part surface is not recommended to avoid aesthetic issue on surface such as flow mark, cold slug and other quality issues.
- The hot runner manifold channels should be unrestricted without sharp corners or flow obstructions. Flow restrictions will increase the shear on the material and may result in discoloration or degradation of the melt resin.
- Any hold-up spot in flow path, which will tend to thermally degrade due to excessive residence time, should be avoided, and also needed to be polished in flow path. Excessive residence time in the hot runner manifold should be avoided as it can result in material degradation which can make poor surface issue and easily part broken.
- Separate temperature controllers for each drop and each location on the manifold is essential. The controlling thermocouple for each heat source in the manifold should be close to the melting resin.
- More precisely heat controlling at nozzle tip both in hot runner and cold runner is strongly recommended due to fast solidification at Tc for POKETONE Polymers, as using separated thermocouple and full covered heater (enough capacity of heater) on hot drop or nozzle tip.)

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