

Description

LC-E445T is a two-side coated, carbon epoxy tooling prepreg designed to provide a high-quality tool surface from a low temperature master mold. LC-E445T is ideal for both 250 °F (121 °C) and 350 °F (177 °C) tooling applications following post cure.

Advantages

LC-E445T has excellent tack and drape for ease of layup within complex shapes. Low cost master molds can be utilized with the initial cure of 150 °F (65 °C) followed by various post cure options depending on service temperature requirements. LC-E445T is suitable for producing small to large tools.

Physical Properties

Density: 1.23 G/cm3 per ASTM D792 Gel Time @ 250 °F (121 °C): 6-9 minutes Color: Black Tack: High

Recommended Cure Cycles

10 hours @ 150 °F (65 °C) 3 hours @ 175 °F (79 °C) 90 minuets @ 250 °F (121 °C)

Shelf Life/Out Life/Storage

Shelf Life: 4 months from certification date Out Life: 10 days @ 70 °F (21 °C) Storage Temp: 0 °F (-18 °C)

Recommended Post Cure Cycle

1 hour @ 250 °F (121 °C) 1 hour @ 325 °F (162 °C) 8 hours @ 400 °F (204 °C)

Processing/Cure Cycle Recommendations

LC-E445T can be processed at temperatures from 150 °F (65 °C) up to 400 °F (204 °C). The above recommended post cure will provide optimum T_g of 384 °F (195 °C).

*Please contact LCM Technical Dept. for further post cure options.

Mechanical Properties				
Property	Tested per Specification	R.T. (75 °F)	R.T. Wet	350 °F
Ultimate Tensile Strength (psi)	ASTM D3039	79,000	N/A	76,000
Tensile Modulus (PSI x 10E6)	ASTM D3039	8.7	N/A	8.4
Ultimate Compression Strength (psi)	ASTM D695	72,000	N/A	68,000
Compression Modulus (PSI x 10E6)	ASTM D695	8.6	N/A	8.2
Ultimate Flexural Strength (psi)	ASTM D790	90,000	N/A	81,000
Flexural Modulus (PSI x 10E6)	ASTM D790	7.9	N/A	7.5
Interlaminar Shear (psi)	ASTM D2344	8400	N/A	7900

*RT (75 °F) Tests performed using 15 plies of LC-E445T-C101 @ 39% RC, press cured @ 175 °F (79 °C) for 3 hours followed by 2 hours @ 250 °F (121 °C). *350 °F Tests performed using 15 plies of LC-E445T-C101 @ 39% RC, press cured @ 175 °F (79 °C) for 3 hours followed by 90 minutes @ 250 °F (121 °C) and 8 hours @ 400 °F (204 °C).

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