MATERIAL PROPERTY DATASHEET

COMPACT | FIRE RETARDANT

Manufactured in Finland



Decorative high-pressure compact laminates according to EN 438-4 thicknesses 2 mm and greater for interior surface solutions. Sheets consisting of layers of wood-based fibres (paper and / or wood) impregnated with thermosetting resins and surface layer (s) on one or both sides, having decorative colours or designs. These components are bonded together with simultaneous application of heat and high specific pressure to obtain a homogeneous non-porous material with increased density and integral decorative surface. The laminates below 4mm are normally intended for bonding by the composite manufacturers to supporting substrate in order to produce finished panels.

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		Туре	_	Standard			
		EN438 Classification	1	CGF			
		Standard	1	Standard: EN438-4			
		Applicability:		Decors/Surface finish: All on offer			
Properties	Test method	Property or attribute	Unit	Requirements			
SURFACE QUALITY							
Surface Quality	EN438-2: 4	Spots, dirt, similar surface defects	mm²/m²	≤1			
		Fibres, hairs & scratches	mm/m²	≤10			
DIMENSIONAL TOLERANCES							
Dimensional Tolerances	EN438-2: 5	Thickness	mm	$\pm 0,20$ for thickness $2,0 \le t < 3,0$ $\pm 0,30$ for thickness $3,0 \le t < 5,0$ $\pm 0,40$ for thickness $5,0 \le t < 8,0$ $\pm 0,50$ for thickness $8,0 \le t < 12,0$ $\pm 0,60$ for thickness $12,0 \le t < 16,0$ $\pm 0,70$ for thickness $16,0 \le t < 20,0$			
	EN438-2: 6	Length & Width	mm	+10 mm/ -0mm			
	EN438-2: 8	Squareness	mm	≤ 1,5			
	EN438-2: 7	Edge Straightness	mm/m	≤ 1,5			
	EN438-2: 9	Flatness Measured on full size sheet	mm/m	≤ 8,0 for thickness 2,0 ≤ t < 6,0mm ≤ 5,0 for thickness 6,0 ≤ t < 10,0mm ≤ 3,0 for thickness 10,0 ≤ t			
PHYSICAL PROPERTIES			*				
Surface Wear Resistance	EN438-2: 10	Initial point	Revolutions	≥150			
	EN438-2: 12	Rating Gloss Other	Appearance	≥3 ≥4			
			Edge Rating	≥3			
Immersion in Boiling Water		Mass Increase (% max)	2,0 ≤ t < 5,0mm	≤7			
			t ≥ 5,0mm	≤3			
		Thickness Increase (% max)	2,0 ≤ t < 5,0mm	≤9			
			t ≥ 5,0mm	≤6			
Resistance to Water Vapour	EN438-2: 14	Gloss Other	Rating of Appearance	≥3 ≥4			
Resistance to Dry Heat (160°C)	EN438-2: 16	Gloss Other	Rating of Appearance	≥3 ≥4			
Dimensional Stability at Elevated Temperatures	EN438-2: 17	Cumulative dimensional changes	Longitudinal (%) 2,0 ≤ t < 5,0mm t ≥ 5,0mm Transversal (%) 2,0 ≤ t < 5,0mm t ≥ 5,0mm	≤0,4 ≤0,3 ≤0,8 ≤0,6			
Resistance to Wet Heat (100°C)	EN438-2: 18	Gloss Other	Rating of Appearance	≥3 ≥4			
Resistance to Impact by Large diameter ball	EN438-2: 21	Drop height	mm 2,0 ≤ t < 6,0 6,0 ≤ t	1400 1800			
Scratch Resistance	EN438-2: 25	Force Smooth Texture	Rating of Appearance	≥2 ≥3			
Stain Resistance	EN438-2: 26	Groups 1 and 2 Group 3	Rating of Appearance	≥4 ≥4			
Light Fastness	EN438-2: 27	Grey Scale Rating	Contrast	24			
Modules of elasticity	EN ISO 187	Stress	MPa	≥9000			
Flexural Strength	EN ISO 187	Stress	MPa	≥80			
Density	EN ISO 1183-1	Density	g/cm3	≥ 1,35			
OTHER PROPERTIES							
Release of Formaldehyde	EN 717-2	Classification	Class	E1			
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FIRE BEHAVIOUR							
Reaction to Fire	EN13501-1	2,0 ≤ t < 4,0mm	Class	The reaction to fire of Formica semi-finished 2,0 ≤ t < 4,0mm is related to the final composite panel where the laminate is bonded to a substrate. Since the test results also depend on the substrate, the adhesive and the bonding techniques applied, the composite manufacturer is responsible for the correct execution of the test in accordance with the applicable standards and test methods required for the specific application field.			
		4,0 ≤ t < 6,0mm metal frame	Class	B-s2,d0			
		6,0mm ≤ t	Class	B-s1,d0			

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