



# DOW™ LDPE 503A

## Low Density Polyethylene Resin

### Overview

- A slip and Antiblock additive resin for liners, industrial and clarity
- Optimum gauge range: 1.0-3.0 mil
- Complies with U.S. FDA 21 CFR 177.1520(c)2.2.
- Complies with Canadian HPFB No Objection (With Limitations)
- Complies with EU, No 10/2011
- Consult the regulations for complete details.

### Additive

- Antiblock: 1200 ppm
- Slip: 750 ppm
- Processing Aid: No

| Physical                                   | Nominal Value (English)    | Nominal Value (SI)      | Test Method |
|--|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Density                                    | 0.922 g/cm <sup>3</sup>    | 0.922 g/cm <sup>3</sup> | ASTM D792   |
| Base Density <sup>1</sup>                  | 0.922 g/cm <sup>3</sup>    | 0.922 g/cm <sup>3</sup> | Dow Method  |
| Melt Index (190°C/2.16 kg)                 | 1.9 g/10 min               | 1.9 g/10 min            | ASTM D1238  |
| Films                                      | Nominal Value (English)    | Nominal Value (SI)      | Test Method |
| Film Thickness - Tested                    | 2 mil                      | 51 µm                   |             |
| Film Puncture Resistance (2.0 mil (51 µm)) | 34.0 ft·lb/in <sup>3</sup> | 2.81 J/cm <sup>3</sup>  | Dow Method  |
| Film Toughness                             |                            |                         | ASTM D882   |
| MD : 2.0 mil (51 µm)                       | 2220 ft·lb/in <sup>3</sup> | 184 J/cm <sup>3</sup>   |             |
| TD : 2.0 mil (51 µm)                       | 2290 ft·lb/in <sup>3</sup> | 190 J/cm <sup>3</sup>   |             |
| Tensile Strength                           |                            |                         | ASTM D882   |
| MD : Yield, 2.0 mil (51 µm)                | 1740 psi                   | 12.0 MPa                |             |
| TD : Yield, 2.0 mil (51 µm)                | 1780 psi                   | 12.3 MPa                |             |
| MD : Break, 2.0 mil (51 µm)                | 3600 psi                   | 24.8 MPa                |             |
| TD : Break, 2.0 mil (51 µm)                | 3010 psi                   | 20.8 MPa                |             |
| Tensile Elongation                         |                            |                         | ASTM D882   |
| MD : Break, 2.0 mil (51 µm)                | 520 %                      | 520 %                   |             |
| TD : Break, 2.0 mil (51 µm)                | 720 %                      | 720 %                   |             |
| Dart Drop Impact (2.0 mil (51 µm))         | 100 g                      | 100 g                   | ASTM D1709A |
| Elmendorf Tear Strength                    |                            |                         | ASTM D1922  |
| MD : 2.0 mil (51 µm)                       | 560 g                      | 560 g                   |             |
| TD : 2.0 mil (51 µm)                       | 470 g                      | 470 g                   |             |
| Thermal                                    | Nominal Value (English)    | Nominal Value (SI)      | Test Method |
| Vicat Softening Temperature                | 198 °F                     | 92.2 °C                 | ASTM D1525  |
| Melting Temperature (DSC)                  | 232 °F                     | 111 °C                  | Dow Method  |
| Optical                                    | Nominal Value (English)    | Nominal Value (SI)      | Test Method |
| Gloss (45°, 2.00 mil (50.8 µm))            | 70                         | 70                      | ASTM D2457  |
| Haze (2.00 mil (50.8 µm))                  | 7.50 %                     | 7.50 %                  | ASTM D1003  |
| Extrusion                                  | Nominal Value (English)    | Nominal Value (SI)      |             |
| Melt Temperature                           | 422 °F                     | 217 °C                  |             |



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**Extrusion Notes**

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## Fabrication Conditions For Blown Film:

- Screw Size: 2.5 in. (63.5 mm); 30:1 L/D
- Screw Type: Single Flight Double Mix
- Die Gap: 40 mil (1.02 mm)
- Melt Temperature: 422°F (217°C)
- Output: 10 lb/hr/in. of die circumference
- Die Diameter: 6 in.
- Blow-Up Ratio: 2.5:1
- Screw Speed: 92 rpm
- Frost Line Height: 30 in. (792 mm)

**Notes**

These are typical properties only and are not to be construed as specifications. Users should confirm results by their own tests.

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<sup>1</sup> Base density is estimated using the assumption that every 1000 ppm of antiblock in the finished product raises the density of the polymer by 0.0006 g/cm<sup>3</sup>. Base density is the estimated density of the polymer if it did not contain any antiblock.

