

Plastykote[®]

Three layer polyethylene / polypropylene anti-corrosion coating system.

Plastykote® is a high mechanical resistance anti-corrosive coating for steel pipes.

Plastykote[®] is the recommended option for pipeline laying in aggressive or stony soils when there is high risk of damage for an anti-corrosive coating of epoxydic type.

Its two versions respond to different levels of service temperature:

- FBE (Fusion bonded epoxy primer)
- Polyethylene adhesive
- Polyethylene

Steel pipe

FBE (Fusion bonded epoxy primer)

- Polypropylene adhesive
- Polypropylene

THREE LAYER POLYETHYLENE

The three layer polyethylene system is used when the pipeline operation temperature is no higher than 80°C. It is made up of a first epoxy layer, applied directly on the previously blasted and heated steel, a layer of adhesive, whose function is to achieve adherence between this first layer and the third one and the last one of polyethylene. Its usual thickness is from 1.5 mm to 3 mm.

THREE LAYER POLYPROPYLENE

Should a pipeline with a higher service temperature range be coated, this is the option to consider. It is made up of a first epoxy layer, applied directly on the previously blasted and heated steel, a layer of





adhesive whose function is that of achieving the bonding between this first layer and the third one and the last one of polypropylene. The adhesive, like the external layer, is based on polypropylene instead of polyethylene. It can be used with service temperatures of up to 140°C and its usual thickness is of 1.5 mm to 3 mm.

PRODUCTION PROCESS

The method is similar for all the Plastykote[®] coatings. The pipe surface is blasted, heated and electrostatically covered with an epoxy primer. Next, a layer of copolymer and another one of polyolefin are applied by extrusion in an enveloping manner.



Induction heating



Cooling



Primer application



Holiday detection

Anti-corrosion External

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Three Layer Polyethylene Coating (3LPE) TECHNICAL DATA

HIGH DENSITY POLYETHYLENE PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Typical Properties ¹	Standard ²	Unit	Value ³
Density	ASTM D 792 Method B ISO 1183 Method A	g/cm ³	0.95 to 0.96
Melting Point	ASTM D 3418	°C	≥ 125
Melt Flow Index	CSA Z 245.21	g/10 min	0.4 to 0.7

3LPE COATING MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

Adhesion Resistance (2) \pm 3 °C	CSA Z 245.21	N/mm	≥ 20
Impact Resistance @ -30 \pm 3 °C	CSA Z 245.21	J/mm	≥7
Indentation	DIN 30670	mm	≤ 0.2 at 23 °C ≤ 0.3 at 70 °C
Flexibility @ -30 ± 3	CSA Z 245.21	-	No cracking of polyethylene
Hardness @ 20 ± 2 ℃	ASTM D 2240	Shore D	≥ 60
Tensile Strength at Yield (2) \pm	ASTM D 638	MPa	≥ 17
Elongation at Break @ 20 ± 2 ℃	ASTM D 638	%	≥ 400
Heat Ageing Aged @ 100 ± 3 °C / 2,400 ± 24 h Tested @ 20 ± 2 °C	CSA Z 245.21	%	Tensile at yield after heating $\ge 65\%$ of the original value. Elongation at break $\ge 150\%$
Light Ageing Total radiant exposure of 7 GJ/m ²	DIN 30670	%	Melt flow rate after heating shall not deviate more than 35% of the original value.
Cathodic Disbondment @ 48 hours / 65 ± 3 °C /-1.5V / NaCl (3%)	CSA Z 245.21	mm	≤ 3
Cathodic Disbondment @ 28 days / 20 ± 3 °C /-1.5V / NaCl (3%)	CSA Z 245.21	mm	≤5
Cathodic Disbonding @ 28 days / 65 ± 3 °C / -1.5V / NaCl (3%)	CSA Z 245.21	mm	≤ 12
Coating Resistivity Exposed @ 23 ± 2 °C / 100 days	DIN 30670	Ω m ²	≥ 10°

(1): Typical properties are listed in this document. Please advice if additional properties are requested.

(2): Each test is performed in accordance to internal procedures which are based on the standards listed in this column.

(3): These are nominal values. They have not to be considered as specification limits.

Three Layer Polypropylene Coating (3LPP) TECHNICAL DATA

POLYPROPYLENE PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Typical Properties ¹	Standard ²	Unit	Value ³
Density	ISO 83/A	g/cm ³	0.89 – 0.91
Melting Point	ASTM E 794	°C	≥ 160
Melt Flow Index	ASTM D 1238 / ISO 1133	g/10 min	0.8 to 1.1
Water Absorption (PP @ 250 bar / 120 °C / 125 days)	ASTM D 570	%	≤ 0.5

3LPP COATING MECHANICAL PROPERTIES

Adhesion Resistance	DIN 30678 NFA 49-71 I
Impact Resistance 5 - 25 ℃	NFA 49-711
Indentation @ I5 - 25 °C	NFA 49-711
Flexibility	NFA 49-711
Hardness @ 20 ± 2 ℃	ASTM D 2240
Tensile Strength at Break @ 20 ± 2 °C	ASTM D 638
Elongation at Break @ 20 ± 2 °C	ASTM D 638
Compressive Strength @ 10 % strain	ASTM D 695
Heat Ageing For 2,400 ± 24 h	DIN 30678
Light Ageing For 800 hrs	NFA 49-71 I
Cathodic Disbondment @ 48 hours / 65 ± 2 °C / -1.5 V / NaCl (3%)	NFA 49-71 I
Cathodic Disbondment @ 28 days / 23 ± 3 °C /-1.5V / NaCl (3%)	NFA 49-71 I
Cathodic Disbonding @ 28 days/max. operating temp./-1.5V/NaCl (3%)	NFA 49-711
Coating Resistivity Exposed @ 23 ± 2 °C for 100 days	DIN 30678
Abrasion (CS 17 Wheel / 1,000 cycles)	ASTM D 4060-95



Tubing Protection

3LPP is also typically used as anti-corrosive coating in Water Injection Tubings. With a 8.0 mm coating thickness, it also acts as mechanical protection for couplings (coated with FBE) due to the 3LPP greater OD than couplings.With this, no damage on FBE coated couplings is guaranteed during installation.

Main Characteristics:



- Excellent bonding to steel.
- High resistance to mechanical stresses (impact, indentation, peeling, bending and abrasion)
- Maximum operation temperature: 110 °C.
- Great resistance to chemical agents associated to oil exploration.

N/mm	≥ 20 at 23 °C ≥ 4 at 110 °C
J/mm	≥ 10
mm	≤ 0.1 at 20 °C ≤ 0.4 at 110 °C
-	No cracking of polypropylene
Shore D	≥ 60
MPa	≥ 17
%	≥ 400
MPa	≥ 20
%	∆ MFI ≤ 35 %
%	Δ Elongation at Break ≤ 25
mm	≤ 3
mm	≤ 5
mm	≤ 12
Ω m ²	$\geq 10^8$
mg	≤ 25

Anti-corrosion External