



## MELINEX® 238

### Product Description

Melinex® 238 is a translucent white polyester film used for electrical insulation. It has been specially developed for use as an electrical insulation material in rotating electrical machines. It is available in a range of thicknesses between 300 and 1400 gauge. This is a low oligomer film suitable for hermetic motor applications where oligomer extraction needs to be limited.

### Approvals

**UL Component Registration (RTI = 140/125°C)** - for 300 gauge film (0.075 mm) the RTI is 140°C (Electrical) and 125°C (Mechanical - STR)

**UL Component Registration (RTI = 140/130°C)** - for 1000 gauge film (0.25 mm) the RTI is 140°C (Electrical) and 130°C (Mechanical - STR)

### Typical Properties

| Available Thickness [Gauge]          |
|--------------------------------------|
| 300; 500; 760; 900; 1000; 1200; 1400 |

| Property               | Thickness  | Value       | Units               | Test  |
|------------------------|------------|-------------|---------------------|---|
| <b>BARRIER</b>         |            |             |                     |   |
| Water Absorption       | 300 - 1400 | 0.55        | %                   | ASTM D570-63 (1972), 1 week at 23°C                           |
| <b>ELECTRICAL</b>      |            |             |                     |   |
| Breakdown Voltage      | 500        | 16          | kV                  | 50 Hz continuously increasing at 500 V/sec, 6.3 mm electrodes |
| Breakdown Voltage      | 760        | 19          | kV                  | 50 Hz continuously increasing at 500 V/sec, 6.3 mm electrodes |
| Breakdown Voltage      | 1000       | 23          | kV                  | 50 Hz continuously increasing at 500 V/sec, 6.3 mm electrodes |
| Breakdown Voltage      | 1400       | 26          | kV                  | 50 Hz continuously increasing at 500 V/sec, 6.3 mm electrodes |
| Surface Resistivity    | 300 - 1400 | $> 10^{13}$ | Ohms/sq             | ASTM D257, 500 V DC @ 20°C 54% RH                             |
| Volume Resistivity     | 300 - 1400 | $10^{15}$   | log Ohm m           | 100 V D.C. @ 25°C for 100 sec                                 |
| <b>PHYSICAL</b>        |            |             |                     |   |
| C.O.F. (static)        | 300 - 1400 | 0.30        |                     | ASTM D1894  |
| Density                | 300 - 1400 | 1.4         | g/cc                | ASTM D1505  |
| Elongation at Break MD | 300 - 1400 | 150         | %                   | ASTM D882A  |
| Elongation at Break TD | 300 - 1400 | 130         | %                   | ASTM D882A  |
| Oligomer Extraction    | 300 - 1400 | 0.6         | %                   | 24 hours boiling Xylene                                       |
| Tensile Strength MD    | 300 - 1400 | 29.9        | kpsi                | ASTM D882A  |
| Tensile Strength TD    | 300 - 1400 | 31.3        | kpsi                | ASTM D882A  |
| Yield (nominal)        | 500        | 4,000       | in <sup>2</sup> /lb |   |
| Yield (nominal)        | 760        | 2,600       | in <sup>2</sup> /lb |   |
| Yield (nominal)        | 1000       | 2,000       | in <sup>2</sup> /lb |   |
| Yield (nominal)        | 1400       | 1,400       | in <sup>2</sup> /lb |   |

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