

# Technical Data Sheet PLA PROGRAFEN GRAPHENE LIGHT

PLA PROGRAFEN GRAPHENE LIGHT is a thermoplastic polymer derived from renewable resources. PLA Graphene is a black, general purpose, extrusion grade polymer. This is a high molecular weight biopolymer that processes easily on conventional FDM/FDM 3D printer.

Typical Material & Application Properties (1)		
Physical Properties	PLA PROGRAFEN GRAPHENE LIGHT	Method
Specific Gravity	1.24	D792
MFR, g/10 min (230°C, 2.16kg)	29.5	ISO 1133
Color	Black	
Mechanical Properties		
Tensile Strength, MPa	65	ISO 527
Tensile Modulus, GPa	3.6	ISO 527
Elongation at break, %	4.19	ISO 527
Impact strength, kJ/m <sup>2</sup>	3.0	ISO 179

<sup>(1)</sup> Typical properties; not to be construed as specifications.

## **Applications**

Potential applications for PLA PROGRAFEN GRAPHENE LIGHT include:

- Prototype 3D models
- Tooling
- Construction elements
- Every-day-use items

# **Processing Information**

PLA PROGRAFEN GRAPHENE LIGHT is easily processed on FDM/FFF 3D printers. The material is stable in the filament state, if it is being stored in a dry environment

## **Process Details**

## Preparation for printing

PLA GRAPHENE LIGHT is graphene enhanced PLA filament, before printing following steps must be taken:

- Load filament into extruder head: Is very important to heat up extruder before printing (optimal extruder temperature are 190-210 °C). When extruder reach set temperature insert filament int the way approved by 3D Printer manufacturer.
- 2. Level up printing table and turn up it's heating (optimal printing table temperatures for PLA are 0-45 °C).
- 3. Upload previously prepared 3D model into 3D printer controller.
- 4. Printing process can be started.

Processing Temperature Profile (1)		
Extruder Head Temperature	190-210°C	
Printing table Temperature	35-45°C	
Post-treatment	Painting	

<sup>(1)</sup> These are starting points and may need to be optimized.

#### Storage

In order to maintain the highest possible quality of the printout, care should be taken to properly protect the filament against moisture. The filament should be stored in a cool, dry and shaded place. In case of problems with too high humidity, drying agents can be used, which should be placed in the filament packaging. The original packaging maintains optimal humidity and temperature of the filament.

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# **Safety and Handling Considerations**

Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for PLA PROGRAFEN GRAPHENE LIGHT are available at https://prografen.com . SDS's are provided to help customers satisfy their own handling, safety, and disposal needs, and those that may be requiredby locally applicable health and safety regulations. SDS's are updated regularly; therefore, please request and reviewthe most current SDS's before handling or using any product.

# **Hazards and Handling Precautions**

PLA biopolymers have a very low degree of toxicity and under normal conditions of use, should pose no unusual problems from incidental ingestion or eye and skin contact. However, caution is advised when handling, storing, using, or disposing of these resins, and good housekeeping and controlling of dusts are necessary for safe handling of product. No other precautions other than clean, body-covering clothing should be needed for handling PLA biopolymers. Use gloves with insulation for thermal protection when exposure to the melt is localized. Good general ventilation of the polymer processing area is recommended. At temperatures exceeding the polymer melt temperature (typically 175°C), polymer can release fumes, which may contain fragments of the polymer,

creating a potential to irritate eyes and mucous membranes. Good general ventilation should be sufficient for most conditions. Local exhaust ventilation is recommended for melt operations. Use safety glasses (or goggles) to prevent exposure to particles, which could cause mechanical injury to the eye.

## **Disposal**

DO NOT DUMP INTO ANY SEWERS, ON THE GROUND, OR INTO ANY BODY OF WATER. For unused or uncontaminated material, the preferred option is to recycle into the process otherwise, send to an incinerator or other thermal destruction device. For used or contaminated material, the disposal options remain the same, although additional evaluation is required. Disposal must be in compliance with Federal, State/Provincial, and local laws and regulations.

#### **Environmental Concerns**

Due to Due to its chemical composition, PLA does not pose a threat to the environment. Nevertheless, plastics should be disposed of in appropriately labeled containers.

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