

PC (polycarbonate)

for Fortus 3D Production Systems



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A true industrial thermoplastic, PC (polycarbonate) is widely used in automotive, aerospace, medical and many other applications. PC offers accuracy, durability and stability, creating strong parts that withstand functional testing. A PC part manufactured on a Fortus® 3D Production System is 5-60 percent stronger than a part made on previous FDM® systems. It also has superior mechanical properties to ABS and a number of other thermoplastics. When combined with a Fortus system, PC gives you Real Parts™ for conceptual modeling, functional prototyping, manufacturing tools, and end-use-parts.



Mechanical Properties ¹	Test Method	English	Metric
Tensile Strength (Type 1, 0.125", 0.2"/min)	ASTM D638	9,800 psi	68 MPa
Tensile Modulus (Type 1, 0.125", 0.2"/min)	ASTM D638	330,000 psi	2,300 MPa
Tensile Elongation (Type 1, 0.125", 0.2"/min)	ASTM D638	5%	5%
Flexural Strength (Method 1, 0.05"/min)	ASTM D790	15,100 psi	104 MPa
Flexural Modulus (Method 1, 0.05"/min)	ASTM D790	324,000 psi	2,200 MPa
IZOD Impact, notched (Method A, 23°C)	ASTM D256	1 ft-lb/in	53 J/m
IZOD Impact, un-notched (Method A, 23°C)	ASTM D256	6 ft-lb/in	320 J/m

Thermal Properties ²	Test Method	English	Metric
Heat Deflection (HDT) @ 66 psi	ASTM D648	280°F	138°C
Heat Deflection (HDT) @ 264 psi	ASTM D648	261°F	127°C
Vicat Softening	ASTM D1525	282°F	139°C
Glass Transition (Tg)	DMA (SSYS)	322°F	161°C
Melt Point	-----	Not Applicable ³	Not Applicable ³

Electrical Properties ⁴	Test Method	Value Range
Volume Resistivity	ASTM D257	2.0x10e14 - 6.0x10e13 ohms
Dielectric Constant	ASTM D150-98	3.0 - 2.8
Dissipation Factor	ASTM D150-98	.0006 - .0005
Dielectric Strength	ASTM D149-09, Method A	360-80 V/mm
Dielectric Strength	IEC 60112	15.0 kV/mm
Dielectric Constant @ 60 Hz	IEC 60250	3.2
Dielectric Constant @ 1 Mhz	IEC 60250	3.0

Other ²	Test Method	Value
Specific Gravity	ASTM D792	1.2
Flame Classification	UL94	V2 (0.043", 1.1 mm)
Coefficient of Thermal Expansion	ASTM E831	3.8E-05 in/in/°F
Rockwell Hardness	ASTM D785	R115

System Availability	Layer Thickness Capability	Support Structure	Available Colors
Fortus 360mc Fortus 400mc Fortus 900mc	0.013 inch (0.330 mm) 0.010 inch (0.254 mm) 0.007 inch (0.178 mm)	BASS	<input type="checkbox"/> White

The information presented are typical values intended for reference and comparison purposes only. They should not be used for design specifications or quality control purposes. End-use material performance can be impacted (+/-) by, but not limited to, part design, end-use conditions, test conditions, etc. Actual values will vary with build conditions. Tested parts were built on Fortus 400mc @ 0.010" (0.254 mm) slice. Product specifications are subject to change without notice.

¹Build orientation is on side long edge.

²Literature value unless otherwise noted.

³Due to amorphous nature, material does not display a melting point.

⁴All Electrical Property values were generated from the average of test plaques built with default part density (solid). Test plaques were 4.0 x 4.0 x 0.1 inches (102 x 102 x 2.5 mm) and were built both in the flat and vertical orientation. The range of values is mostly the result of the difference in properties of test plaques built in the flat vs. vertical orientation.



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