

Product Information Bulletin

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PlastiSpan® 40 Insulation - ASTM C578, Type XIV Material Properties

PlastiSpan® 40 insulation is a rigid, closed-cell foam plastic insulation that meets the requirements for expanded polystyrene (EPS) insulation manufactured to ASTM C578¹. Table 1 provides material properties for **PlastiSpan** 40 insulation meeting ASTM C578, Type XIV as noted.

PlastiSpan 40 Insulation Properties		Units	ASTM Test	Type XIV
Nominal Density		pcf	C303	2.50
Compressive Resistance ² Minimum @10% strain		psi	D1621	40.0
R-value ³	40 °F	ft²•hr•°F	C518	4.8
per inch thickness at mean temperature	75 °F	Btu	C316	4.4
Water Vapor Permeance Maximum		Perm	E96	2.5
Flexural Strength Minimum		psi	C203	60
Dimensional Stability Maximum		% linear change	D2126	2.0
Water Absorption ⁴ Maximum		% by volume	C272	2.0
Oxygen Index Minimum		volume %	D2863	24
Density Minimum		pcf	C303	2.40
Flame Spread Index Maximum			E84	<25
Smoke-Developed Index Maximum				<450

Sustainability

As part of its commitment to quality and ongoing sustainability initiatives, Plasti-Fab maintains *GREENGUARD Gold Certification* for *PlastiSpan 40* insulation with UL Environment, an independent global safety science organization. The *GREENGUARD Gold Certification* mark on *PlastiSpan 40* insulation gives assurance that insulation designed for use in indoor spaces meets strict chemical emissions limits, which contribute to the creation of healthier interiors.

¹ **PlastiSpan 40** insulation properties are third party certified under a quality listing program administered by Intertek to ASTM C578, **Standard Specification for Rigid, Cellular Polystyrene Thermal Insulation**.

² Compressive resistance at 10 percent strain is not intended for design use when *PlastiSpan 40* insulation will be used to support structural compressive loads. See Plasti-Fab Product Information Bulletin No. 305 for additional information.

³ For additional information on thermal resistance requirements refer to ASTM C578.

⁴ ASTM Test Method C272 water absorption requires 24 hours submersion of specimen under water. The water absorption values above are applicable to specific end-use design requirements only to the extent that the end-use conditions are similar to requirements stated in the test method.