

Your Company Needs + M. Holland Resources = **Solutions** 

# **Technical Support Services**

M. Holland Company offers Technical Services for **Solutions** that our customers have come to rely upon. Whatever your needs may be, the M. Holland Technical Service Team will help you deliver **solutions** that support the bottom line of your business.

With our in-house testing laboratory, M. Holland provides most of its own test results at faster than industry average turnaround times. Our testing includes polymer characterization, identification of unknown resin types, and basic physical properties. M. Holland testing services can also assist with part failure analysis to resolve quality and performance problems.

### Gold Standard Performance

- Regional TSEs ensure a high level of service and responsiveness
- Consultative approach to materials and processing
- Cycle time and cost reduction
- Prompt response time and communications
- Professional reporting of results
- Training in polymers and processes

# **Technical Equipment**

#### Density ASTM D792

<u>Sample Needed</u> 0.5 to 1 pound of resin or part to be tested

<u>Determines</u> Mass per volume





#### Melt Flow ASTM D1238

Sample Needed 0.5 to 1 pound of resin or part to be tested

<u>Determines</u> Viscosity of materials at low shear rate; indication of molecular weight



#### FTIR

<u>Sample Needed</u> 50 grams of resin or part to be tested

Determines Chemical structure of polymer types and additives

## DSC

Sample Needed 50 grams of resin or part to be tested

Determines Melting and crystallization behavior; used to identify polymer type and percent in blends; also, stabilizer efficiency by OIT

## Moisture Analyzer

Sample Needed 50 to 100 grams of resin in a sealed glass jar

Determines The total moisture level in a sample to determine dryness and dryer effectiveness

#### Microscopy

Olympus stereo and polarized light microscopes with hot stage

<u>Sample Needed</u> Parts or resin to be examined

Determines Identity of inclusions and contamination through careful sample sectioning and observation techniques







#### Falling Dart Impact ASTM D1709

Sample Needed 20 lineal feet of film (full lay flat)

**Determines** The impact strength in aram force of thin films



## Mold Filling Simulation

Sample Needed .iges file format



Determines Fill confidence, temperature, sink marks, etc.



Izod Impact ASTM D256

Sample Needed 5 pounds of resin for molding

Determines Impact resistance and notch sensitivity of material

## Gardner Impact ASTM D5420

Sample Needed 4" disks or 5 pounds of resin for molding

Determines Ranks materials according to the energy to crack or break a flat specimen when impacted by falling weight



## Surface Hardness ASTM D2240

Sample Needed Parts to be tested or 5

pounds of resin if molding is required

#### Determines

Hardness of the surface; can indicate the scratch resistance or amount of plasticizer



### **Spiral Flow** ASTM D3123

**Determines** 

Sample Needed 5 pounds of resin

The flow length under different molding conditions; can indicate the shear sensitivity and moldability of material







## Elmendorf Tear ASTM D1922

20 lineal feet of film (full lay flat)

Determines

The force to propagate tearing a thin film after the tear has been started

## Support Services

#### Material Identification for Competitive Articles or Unknowns

- FTIR Melt flow Ash
- DSC 
  Density

#### **Physical Properties**

- Tensile\*/Elongation\*/Flex\* •
- Izod and Gardner impact Film tear

Film dart impact

#### **Processing and Sample Prep**

- Injection molding
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- Cast film
- ng Blown film • Moisture analysis
- **Failure Analysis**
- Microscopy
- FTIR
- DSC OIT

\*Indicates outside lab service

## Professional Technical Staff

- Dedicated market focus
- Experienced professionals, averaging 30+ years
- Seminars
- De-coupled injection molding

## Contact your local Technical Service Engineer for a Laboratory Request submission

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## Physical & Analytical Testing Lab

- Polymer characterization and identification
- Sample performance testing
- Failure analysis
- Quality investigations
- Sample preparation for injection molding and film articles
- Mold filling simulation

## **Technical Support Services**

- Resin selection and evaluation
- Polymer and process training
- Process optimization
- Applications development
- On-location problem solving and troubleshooting
- Design assistance
- Quality assurance support services
  - Laboratory
  - Regulatory documentation
  - Certifications

M. Holland Company lab results are to be used for informational purposes only. Lead times for testing vary and can be influenced by the number of tests required, laboratory backlog, and sample preparation.

Typical time required for completion of a Laboratory Request (LR) is two weeks. Additional tests are available using outside testing service providers.



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