



PRODUCT INFORMATION

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Introduction

HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol can be reacted with HYPERLAST LE 153 FC Prepolymer to produce a polyether (PTMEG) based polyurethane elastomer at 60 shore A, and with increasing quantities of DIPRANE™ C Curative as a third component to produce elastomers of up to 75 shore D hardness. The cured elastomers offer excellent mechanical properties, abrasion and hydrolysis resistance.

HYPERLAST 153 FC Multi-Component Elastomer System 60 Shore A to 75 Shore D

A catalyst package is introduced at the mixing head, allowing the user to tailor the reactivity to suit their molding process and optimise for higher throughput.

HYPERLAST™ 153 FC system is in compliance with the EU Commission Regulation 10/2011 for plastics in contact with food and its amendments for repeated use applications. The material is intended for short contact with all kinds of food up to 70 °C. For further information please reach out to your Dow contact.

Component Properties

These are typical values and should not be construed as specifications.

Polyol Component

Product Reference	HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol
Appearance	White solid at 25°C / colourless, clear liquid at 40°C.
Viscosity	900 – 1500 mPa.s at 40°C
Specific Gravity	0.97 – 1.07 at 40°C

Prepolymer Component

Product Reference	HYPERLAST™ LE 153 FC Prepolymer
Appearance	Hazy amber liquid at 25°C
Viscosity	370 – 550 mPa.s at 25°C
Specific Gravity	1.20 – 1.22 at 25°C

Chain Extender Component

Product Reference	DIPRANE™ C
Appearance	Whitish, crystalline solid below 20°C Colourless, clear liquid above 20°C
Viscosity	70 - 80 mPa.s at 25°C
Specific Gravity	1.01 – 1.02 at 25°C

Catalyst Component

Product Reference	DIPRANE™ LC 1032 FC Catalyst
Appearance	Pale yellow liquid at 25°C
Viscosity	305 – 335 mPa.s at 25°C
Specific Gravity	1.01 at 25°C

Mixing Ratios

HYPERLAST™ 153 FC components can be mixed in the following proportions to give a range of hardness from 60°A to 75°D. The mix ratios should be followed to a tolerance of $\pm 1\%$.

Shore Hardness	60A	65A	70A	75A	80A	85A	90A	92A	95A	55D	60D	65D	70D	75D
HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol	341.0	290.5	246.7	223.0	190.9	161.3	138.9	126.5	107.0	90.1	77.0	65.1	48.9	38.0
DIPRANE™ C Curative	9.8	12.1	14.1	15.1	16.6	17.9	18.9	19.7	20.4	21.1	21.7	22.3	23.0	23.5
HYPERLAST™ 153 Prepolymer	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
DIPRANE™ LC 1032 FC Catalyst	Loading should be determined by the end user. The graph in the "Processing Details" section of this document can be used as a guideline													

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HYPERLAST™ 153 FC Polyols can be supplied ready blended in the aforementioned hardness grades for use as two component systems.

Typical Properties

Tensile properties tested to ISO 527 – Part 3 using a Type 5 dumbbell at a test speed of 500mm/minute. Additional typical properties, tested at 23°C, are given below.

Shore Hardness	ISO 868	Unit	60A	65A	70A	75A	80A	85A	90A	95A	55D	60D	65D	70D	75D
Tensile Strength	ISO 527 – Part 3 Type 5, 2mm; 500 mm/min	MPa	13	13.8	23	22	26	35.8	34.7	37	34.8	34.3	36	41	34
Elongation at Break	ISO 527 – Part 3 Type 5, 2mm; 500 mm/min	%	515	415	415	415	415	405	445	425	415	395	245	270	180
Angle Tear Strength	ISO 34-Pt B, Proc A (2mm)	N/mm	34	41.8	50.4	55.6	66.2	80.2	89	110	122	129	148	209	183
DIN Abrasion	ISO 4649	mm ³ loss	<80	<65	<50	<40	<35	<35	<40	<45	<50	<60	-	-	-
Rebound Resilience	ISO 4662	%	75	71	66	61	55	47	44	37	38	36	35	39	41
Compression Set - 25% (22Hr/70°C)	ISO815-1 (Part 1) ⁽¹⁾	%	-	23	-	-	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Compression Set - 15% (22Hr/70°C)	ISO815-1 (Part 1) ⁽¹⁾	%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	-	28	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Compression Set - 10% (22Hr/70°C)	ISO815-1 (Part 1) ⁽¹⁾	%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	-	44	-	-	-	-	-
Cured Density	ISO 2781	g/ml		1.10				1.06		1.13					

1. The amount of compression that was applied when measuring compression set was dependent on the requirements of the test standard and the Shore Hardness.

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Processing Details

The following information is given as a guide to processing this product. It is recommended that optimum conditions for a specific application are determined experimentally. Our Technical Service Department can offer more detailed advice.

Recommended Processing Conditions

HYPERLAST™ LE 153 FC Polyol temperature:	40°C
DIPRANE™ C temperature:	25°C
HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Prepolymer temperature:	25°C
DIPRANE™ LC 1021 FC Catalyst temperature:	20 – 30°C
Mold temperature:	90 – 100°C

Pot-life:	Dependent on catalyst loading %, controlled by the user
Typical Demold Time:	Dependent on catalyst loading %, controlled by the user. Mold temperature should be maintained at the required temperature until demold is achieved.
Recommended Cure Cycle:	A post-cure is recommended to help ensure full mechanical properties are achieved.

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Recommended Cure Cycle

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For 60A - 90A versions	16 hours at 80°C, followed by 1 week at room temperature
For >95A versions	16 hours at 100 – 110°C, followed by 1 week at room temperature

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Catalysts Loadings

DIPRANE™ LC 1032 FC Catalyst loadings should be determined experimentally by the end user, recommended maximum levels are shown below (% Wt of total mix):

Hardness Grade	Up to	Gel Time Range	Demold Time
60A	1.4%	2 – 3'00"	10 – 15'00"
75D	0.7%	2 – 3'00"	5 – 10'00"

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Material Preparation

Polyol component

HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol component is a viscous liquid, and, depending on the storage temperature, it may freeze or crystallise. The polyol component forms a waxy solid at the recommended storage temperature of 0 – 30°C. Heat is required to liquefy the polyol and / or to condition the polyol to the processing temperature. It is recommended that the polyol be warmed slowly either:

- in an air circulating oven (preferred) or a hot box,
- with a drum blanket, or
- with band heaters.

Temperatures up to 70°C are recommended.

CAUTION: Exposure to temperatures above 70°C should be avoided because this will lead to degradation of the product.

It is recommended that the warming/melting process should be carefully controlled, taking care to avoid overheating or heating for extended periods of time. Hot spots can cause degradation and should, therefore, be avoided. **Care must be taken to vent any pressure before opening the drum.**

In general, warming for a longer time period at a lower temperature (50°C) is preferred compared to a short time period at a higher temperature (70°C).

Typical melt times for HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol are:

- a 25kg drum (pail) requires 16 hours at 45 – 50°C, or 12 – 16 hours at 60 – 70°C;
- a 200kg drum requires 24 – 48 hours at 45 – 50°C, or at least 24 hours at 60 – 70°C,

although this will depend on the initial temperature of the material and the heat distribution efficiency of the heating method. **It is recommended that the optimum conditions for a particular application are determined experimentally by the user.**

HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol can be stored at 40 – 60°C for up to 4 weeks without any detrimental effect on product quality, provided that the container is unopened and is tightly sealed. **Care must be taken to vent any pressure before opening if containers are store for extended periods of time such as this.**

Please Note: HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol has been specially formulated using compatible chemicals, meaning that there is no need to mix the polyol before use, provided that the preparation guidelines detailed above have been followed. If in doubt, please consult Dow Technical Service Department.

Prepolymer component

HYPERLAST™ LE 153 FC Prepolymer is a hazy, amber, low viscosity, stable liquid at the recommended storage temperature of 15 – 25°C, however below this temperature range it does crystallise. The crystalline portion of the solidified product is 4,4'- diphenylmethane diisocyanate and, in this solid form, it exhibits the same dimerisation characteristics as pure diphenylmethane diisocyanate. Unless proper action is taken to reform the original solution, subsequent dimerisation will proceed quickly and deteriorate the clarity and assay of the product.

Studies have shown that storage below the recommended temperature (for example as low as 8°C) results in deterioration of the product after 3 months exposure. During this period the product did crystallise, however the original solution was easily reformed by following the melting procedure below.

The recommended technique for melting crystallised material is drum rolling (5 - 10 RPM) in atmospheric steam. This method provides for efficient heat transfer while the solid block of frozen diphenylmethane diisocyanate cools the liquefied portion, so that the product temperature does not reach a high enough level (>60 °C) to cause excessive dimerisation. **CAUTION: Exposure to temperatures above 60°C should be avoided because this will lead to degradation of the product.**

A second, but slower technique for melting crystallised material, involves warming in a hot air-circulating fan oven at up to 60°C, ideally including slow drum rolling (5 – 10 RPM) inside such an oven. Static melting in hot air ovens (i.e. with no air circulation) is not recommended because this can lead to hot spots.

Another satisfactory method for melting crystallised material is static melting in a steam chest.

As can be seen, agitation and subsequent but even heating is the key to maintaining HYPERLAST™ LE 153 FC Prepolymer quality during melting, and this should be for as short a time period as possible in order to achieve its typical appearance.

Further information can be found in Dow's information sheet 'Safe Handling – Pure, Modified and Polymeric MDI' Form No. 109-01224X-1009P&M. In the case of isocyanate that is already a colourless liquid (i.e. already melted), further heating may be necessary to condition the material to the recommended processing temperature.

The recommended technique should be to warm the isocyanate slowly

- in an air circulating oven (preferred) or a hot box, either:
- with a drum blanket,
- with band heaters.

Temperatures up to 60°C are recommended.

CAUTION: Exposure to temperatures above 60°C should be avoided because this will lead to degradation of the product.

It is recommended that the warming/melting process should be carefully controlled, taking care to avoid overheating or heating for extended periods of time. Hot spots can cause degradation and should, therefore, be avoided. In general, warming for a longer time period at a lower temperature (40 – 50°C) is preferred compared to a short time period at a higher temperature, although the exact time/temperature combination will depend on the initial temperature of the material and the heat distribution efficiency of the heating method. **It is recommended that the optimum conditions for a particular application are determined experimentally by the user.**

It is recommended that the isocyanate component is NOT stored:

- at 40 – 45°C for greater than 2 weeks;
- at 45 – 50°C for greater than 7 days;
- at 50 – 60°C for greater than 2 days.

In each case this assumes unopened, tightly sealed containers.

Chain extender component

The chain extender component should remain a colourless, clear liquid at a storage temperature of 20 – 30°C, however below this temperature range it can crystallise and solidify. Heat is required to liquefy the chain extender and / or to condition the chain extender to the processing temperature. It is recommended that the chain extender component or catalyst component be warmed slowly either:

- in an air circulating oven (preferred) or a hot box,
- with a drum blanket,
- or with band heater.

CAUTION: Exposure to temperatures above 60°C should be avoided because this will lead to degradation of the product.

The warming/melting process should be carefully controlled, taking care to avoid overheating or heating for extended periods of time. Hot spots can cause degradation and should, therefore, be avoided.

It is recommended that the chain extender component is NOT stored at 40 – 45 °C for greater than 2 weeks, assuming the containers are unopened and tightly sealed. Storage at temperatures greater than 45°C is not recommended.

Catalyst component

The catalyst component will remain liquid at the recommended storage temperature of 0 – 30°C. The catalyst component can be stored at this recommended temperature for up to 6 months, assuming the containers are unopened and tightly sealed. Storage at temperatures greater than 30°C is not recommended.

HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol
Colourless, clear liquid at 40°C



**HYPERLAST™ LE 153 FC
Prepolymer**
Amber, hazy liquid at 25°C



DIPRANE™ C Curative
Colourless, clear liquid at 25°C



View through the materials (note: the writing on the base of the jar is also visible for the Polyol and Curative)

Hot air circulating oven requirements

A recommended warming method for all components is in an air circulating fan oven, capable of rapid air circulation from top to bottom of the oven. The oven must be capable of achieving and maintaining the recommended material temperature. The oven type should be sufficient to ensure that the required temperature is reached quickly. An even temperature distribution throughout the oven is extremely important to achieve product consistency. The material containers should be raised off the floor of the oven (for example, on pallets) to allow good air circulation under and around them.

One of the most effective warming methods to ensure even temperature distribution throughout the material is by slow rolling (5 -10 RPM) inside such an air circulating oven.

Please Note: Depending on the heat distribution efficiency of the oven, the oven set point may not correspond to the internal air temperature or the material temperature. It is recommended that the optimum conditions for a particular application are determined experimentally by the user.

Our Technical Service Department can offer advice on oven design.

Degassing

It is recommended that all components are degassed before use, either by machine or in a vacuum chamber. It is the responsibility of the customer to ensure that the product is degassed sufficiently for use. Please consult the Dow Technical Service Department if you are unsure of the recommended methods for degassing the materials.

Moisture

Some of the components in the HYPERLAST™ 153 Series are hygroscopic. Care should be taken to avoid moisture contamination. If containers are vented during the warming period, a drying tube or dry nitrogen should be used. If the components are to be opened and then resealed, a blanket of dry nitrogen should always be used (**dry air is unsuitable because it can result in oxidation of the components**).

For satisfactory results – PROTECT FROM MOISTURE.

Mold Preparation

Aluminium, steel, alloy, brass GRP, polyurethane or silicone RTV molds can be used, of which metal molds are the recommended choice. Aluminium is considered to be the best material for large moldings because it has good heat transfer characteristics and is lightweight.

Ensure that the mold is cleaned thoroughly and is well sealed to prevent material from escaping. The mold should then be treated with a recommended mold release agent. The suitability of a mold release agent for the application should be determined by the user. Our Technical Service Department can also offer advice.

Pre-heat the mold to the recommended mold temperature before casting; this ensures a uniform cure cycle, giving the best operating procedure for producing uniform castings. An even temperature distribution throughout the mold is extremely important to help achieve product consistency.

Demolding

HYPERLAST™ 153 elastomers can be demolded hot. Removal from the mold should not be a problem, providing the correct release agent has been employed. Care should be taken when demolding large or complicated moldings to avoid causing damage or distortion whilst hot.

Curing

The recommended curing temperatures are given earlier in this document. Curing at other temperatures is possible, although the cure time should be adjusted accordingly.

The recommended curing method is in an air circulating fan oven, capable of rapid air circulation from top to bottom of the oven. The oven must be capable of achieving and maintaining the recommended curing temperature. The oven type should be sufficient to ensure that the curing temperature is reached quickly. An even temperature distribution throughout the oven is extremely important to achieve product consistency. It is important that molds be heated and maintained at the recommended temperature to help achieve satisfactory demold times and subsequent curing of the elastomer.

It is recommended that the optimum conditions for a particular application are determined experimentally by the user.

Our Technical Service Department can offer advice on oven design.

Additional Processing Details

Machine Mixing

Our Technical Service Department can offer advice on suitable two, three or four component polyurethane dispensing equipment for processing HYPERLAST™ elastomers.

Agitation should be maintained on the polyol tank to ensure the polyol is homogeneous in use.

Hand Mixing

When hand mixing, the following procedures should be adhered to:

- 1) Prepare the components as per the recommendations in the material preparation section of this document, and then precondition the components to the recommended temperatures.
- 2) Weigh out the required quantities of HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol, DIPRANE™ C and DIPRANE LC 1021 FC Catalyst into the mixing vessel and mix together.
- 3) Weigh the required amount of HYPERLAST LE 153 FC Prepolymer into the vessel and mix thoroughly for approximately one minute.
- 4) Put the mixture under vacuum (5 Torr min) for 1 - 2 minutes or until bubbling ceases.
- 5) Pour the reaction mixture into heated molds, which have been treated with mold release agent.

Storage and Handling

		Shelf life
Polyol Component	Store in tightly sealed containers at a temperature of 0 - 30°C. Condition to the processing temperature and mix well before use. Avoid contact with moisture. HYPERLAST™ LU 153 FC Polyol forms into a waxy solid at normal warehouse temperatures. Heat is required to liquefy the polyol. For best results, warm the polyol slowly in an air circulating oven (preferred) or a hot box, with a drum blanket, or with band heater. Temperatures up to 80°C are recommended. Exposure to temperatures above 70°C should be avoided because this will lead to degradation of the product.	12 months
Prepolymer Component	Store in tightly sealed containers at a temperature of 15 - 25°C. Avoid contact with moisture. Storage below the recommended minimum temperature may result in crystallisation of the Isocyanate. The crystalline portion of the solidified product is 4,4'- diphenylmethane diisocyanate and, in this solid form, it exhibits the same dimerisation characteristics as pure diphenylmethane diisocyanate. Unless proper action is taken to reform the original solution, subsequent dimerisation will proceed quickly and deteriorate the clarity and assay of the product. Guidelines for melting crystallised isocyanate can be found in the MATERIALS PREPARATION section of this document.	12 months
Chain Extender Component	Store in tightly sealed containers at a temperature of 0 – 30°C. Condition to the processing temperature and mix well before use. Avoid contact with moisture.	12 months
Catalyst Component	Store in tightly sealed containers at a temperature of 10 – 30°C. Condition to the processing temperature and mix well before use. Avoid contact with moisture. Exposure to temperatures above 60°C should be avoided because this will lead to degradation of the product.	6 months

More detailed information on the storage and handling of polyurethane components can be obtained by contacting Dow Technical Service Department.

Packaging

Polyol Component	200 kg
Prepolymer Component	225 kg
Chain Extender Component	25 kg, 200 kg
Catalyst Component	25 kg

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