

**Ambient Curable Polyethylene Compound For
Insulation Of Low Voltage Power Cable With
High Line Speed** : **KI – XL – 03FX/ KI – SC10FX-GR**

DESCRIPTION:

KIL’s Polyethylene Compound XL – 03FX is a superior grade of silane grafted Polyethylene Compound. It is designed to be used as insulation of low Voltage Power Cable. An enriched additive package makes it highly scorch retardant and protects it against heavy metal induced degradation.

KI-XL-03FX is to be used in conjunction with KI-SC-10FX-GR, which contains a catalyst activator to enhance the process of cross-linking in open environment, (no need of sauna or steam bath) and special process aid to enhance the line speed without much of die drool.

These two components XL-03FX & KI-SC-10FX-GR are inert, when stored in a cool & dry place. However when mixed, extruded and exposed to moisture cross-linking takes place rapidly. The components are therefore to be mixed just before consumption, usually in the ratio of 95 parts of Grafted Polymer (XL-03FX) to 5 part of Catalyst Master Batch (KI-SC-10FX-GR).

SPECIFICATIONS :

XL-03FX & KI-SC-10FX-GR meets requirements as applicable under following standards, when processed using sound extrusion practice and testing procedure;

- IS 10810 , BS 5467, 5468, 6724, 7655 & IEC 60502, HD 626 –TIX 7, TMX 1

TYPICAL PROPERTIES:

A) XL-03FX

Property	Unit	Typical Value	Test Method
Density	gm / cm ³	0.922 – 0.925	ASTM-D-792
Melt Flow Index (190°C, 2.16 Kg)	gms / 10 Min	0.8 – 1.5	IS-10810 (Part-23) / ASTM-D-1238
Contamination (Visual)	No./Kg	< 5	KIL

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A) XL-03FX / KI-SC-10FX-GR Combination

Mixed in proportion of 95:5 and extrude a tape of 1.0 mm thickness. Extruded tape is cured in hot water bath at 85degC for 1.5 hr.(laboratory control test condition).

Property	Unit	Typical Value	Test Method
Tensile Strength	MPa	17-19	IS-10810 (Part-7) / ASTM-D-638
Elongation at break	%	500-600	IS-1081 (Part-7) / ASTM-D-638
Hot set at 150 ⁰ C & 40 N/cm ² Load			
a) Hot Elongation after 15 min.	%	< 70	IS-10810 Part-30 / IEC 60811-1-2
b) Permanent Set after 5 min	%	+ 5	-- do --
Oven ageing at 150 °C, 240 hours			
a) Variation in Tensile Strength	%	± 25	IS-10810 Part-11 / IEC 60811-2-1
b) Variation in Elongation at Break	%	± 25	IS-10810 Part-11 / IEC 60811-2-1
After aging in an oven at 0.55 MPa at 127°C, 240 hours			
a) Variation in Tensile Strength	%	± 25	HD 626 S1
b) Variation in Elongation at Break	%	± 25	
Cold elongation test at -20 ⁰ C	%	50	HD 626 S1
Cold impact test at -20 ⁰ C, 1000gm hammer	-	Pass	
After aging 150 ⁰ C, 10 days , Cold elongation test at -20 ⁰ C			HD 626 S1
Minimum Elongation	%	50	
Cold impact test	-	Pass	
Water absorption AT 85 ⁰ C, 336 Hrs Max weight change	Mg/cm ²	5	HD 626 S1
Ozone resistance at 25 ⁰ C, 250 – 300 O3 concentration, 24 hrs	-	Pass	HD 626 S1
Volume Resistivity	Ohm-cm	1 X 10 ¹⁶	ASTM-D-257
Dissipation factor @ 250V / 50 Hz, 25°C	-	0.0004	ASTM-D-150
Dielectric Constant @ 250V / 50Hz, 25°C	-	2.1 – 2.3	ASTM-D-150

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PROCESSING GUIDELINES:

1. It is recommended to dry the Catalyst Master Batch and suitable Colour Master Batch (Preferably acidic color master batch) at 65°C in air oven in 4 – 6 cm Layers for 4 – 6 hours. The Grafted Polymer should never be pre-heated.
2. The Grafted Polymer and Catalyst Master batch should be manually mixed at a ration of 95:5 at room temperature without shearing, just before consumption. Mixing in large quantities should be avoided, since such leftover premix cannot be stored.
3. During extrusion, following temperature profile is suggested:

Position	Temperature (°C)
Barrel	140 - 165
Head	175 - 180
Die	190 - 195

To get maximum output (line speed), some adjustment in temperature profile and tooling size selection to be arrived by trial, depending on size and type of extruder and cable.

4. Recommended start-up procedure is given below:
 - a. Ensure that the screw, barrel and tools are thoroughly cleaned.
 - b. Start up slightly lower temperature profile. Allow the frictional heat to build-up to desired temperature and remain steady thereafter.
 - c. Flush with virgin LDPE (film grade). Adjust eccentricity and wall thickness inserting conductor.
 - d. Replace LDPE with XL-03FX / KI-SC-10FX-GR premix. Increase line speed to optimum. Adjust temperature to obtain a smooth surface finish.
 - e. Avoid thermal shock by sudden cooling. Keep sufficient distance between die-head and water trough to allow air cooling. Avoid inlet water being too cold.
5. It is important that extruder should not be kept idle for more that 15 minutes when filled premix compound. If needed purge with normal LDPE (preferable) or Grafted PE (without catalyst)
6. During tubing extrusion, build-up of stress should be avoided; size of the core point should be carefully selected to keep the Draw Down Ratio (DDR) below 2:1 in case of small sizes. For higher sizes of the core, DDR may be increased slightly. It is also recommended that land be in place, with its length approximately same as that of the finished diameter of the core.

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PACKAGING:

- Moisture Barrier Multilayer Bags of 25 kg.
- 20' FCL will take palletized 11 MT & 40' will take 24.75 MT.

STORAGE:

The shelf life of the product is 90 days(In case of Export packaging the shelf life is guaranteed for 180 days instead of 90 days)from the date of production, subject to following conditions:

- Storage temperature not generally exceeding 25°C
- Away from direct sunlight and weathering.
- Closed and unbroken bags.
- Use of compound within 3-4 hours after bags is open.
- Bags should be kept on Wooden or Plastic pallets.

The information given in the document is believed to be reliable and is given in the good faith but without warranty. The user should test the product to ascertain the suitability for the intended use. Product specification or the whole document is subject to change without any prior notice.

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