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This quick start instruction gives an indication of the key settings for processing Stanyl[®] TS272A1 to ensure best crystallization and prevent material degradation as a result of hydrolysis or thermal load. It is a summary of the Injection Molding Recommendations which can be found in our Plastics Finder at https://envalior.plasticsfinder.com. Our online guidelines are recommendations to help with material processing and/or to evaluate and resolve potential processing issues.

MATERIAL HANDLING

Drying

Stanyl[®] grades are hygroscopic and absorb moisture from the air relatively quickly. Moisture absorption is fully reversible under the following drying conditions without compromising material quality. Preferred driers are de-humidified driers with dew points maintained between -30 and -40° C / -22 and -40° F. Vacuum driers with N₂ purge can also be used. Hot air ovens or hopper driers are not suitable for pre-drying Stanyl[®] grades; the use of such driers may result in non-optimum performance.

| Moisture content | Time | Temperature | |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| [%] | [h] | [°C] | [° F] |
| 0.1 - 0.2 and as delivered | 2 | 80 | 176 |
| 0.2 – 0.5 | 4 – 8 | 80 | 176 |
| >0.5 | <100 or 24 | 80 105 | 176 221 |

TEMPERATURE SETTINGS

Barrel temperature

Optimal settings are governed by barrel size and residence time. Due to the high melting point of Stanyl[®] this temperature should be set high enough to provide a homogeneous melt without getting too near to the degradation temperature of 330° C / 626° F. A flat or rising temperature profile is recommended.

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|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Mold/Tool | Measured melt | Nozzle | Front | Center | Rear | |
| 80 – 120°C 176 – 248°F | 305–320°C 581–608°F | 300–320°C 572–608°F | 300–320°C 572–608°F | 300–320°C 572–608°F | 280–320°C 536–608°F | |

MELT RESIDENCE TIME

The optimal Melt Residence Time (MRT) for Stanyl[®] TS272A1 is \leq 4 minutes with preferably at least 50% of the maximal shot volume used. The MRT should not exceed 6 minutes. A full self-service MRT calculation can be done using the following link.

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