

> Material Description

The use of syntactic foam materials as plug assist tooling replacing conventional materials such as aluminium, wood, felt, or Delrin has become increasingly popular in the thermoforming industry. Syntactics, the combination of hollow glass microspheres in a polymer matrix, have many unique properties which make them ideal candidates for these applications.

> Low Thermal Conductivity and Specific Heat

This translates to low heat transfer reducing warm up time and virtually eliminating material sticking to the plug.

> Excellent Temperature Resistance

NEWTAC 104 is specially formulated with epoxy resin which maintains a high modulus at elevated temperatures.

> Easily Machined

NEWTAC 104 can be easily machined to any size or shape using conventional equipment

> Dimensionally Stable

The low coefficient of thermal expansion means the plug maintains its shape over a wide temperature range.

> Lightweight

This increases the life of capital equipment due to reduced wear and tear on moving parts.

> Variety of Shapes and Sizes

The material is provided in standard size rods or sheets, but may be custom moulded to meet your specific requirements.

> Applications

NEWTAC 104 maybe used in a wide variety of applications on sheet-feed, or in-line machines. It may also be used with most commonly thermoformed materials, as well as some of the more exotic materials available today. NEWTAC 104 may be used as a direct replacement for the other epoxy syntactic materials.

Properties	NEWTAC 104
Colour	white
Density (kg/m ³)	610
Thermal conductivity	0.11 W/m.K
Specific Heat	1.76 kJ/kg.°C
Coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE)	31 x 10 ⁻⁶ m/m/°C
Compressive strength	42.7 MPa
Compressive modulus	1.57 GPa
Temperature	180°C

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