

## **Processing advice**

Bio-Flex® F 6514 Product name:

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### Designation of product, preparation and manufacturer

Bio-Flex® F 6514 Trade name:

Use of product: Biodegradable polymer compound, suitable for injection moulding applications.

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#### Processing conditions for injection moulding

Machine equipment: Standard screw, open nozzle.

Feeding Zone 60 Machine settings:

Zone 1 150 [°C] Zone 2 160 [°C] Zone 3 180 Machine nozzle 190 Mould temperature 30 - 65 Holding pressure level 40 - 70 Melt cushion (of volume) 3 - 10 [%] Cooling time 15 [s] Max. dwell time 300 [s]

We recommend to use cold runner systems. General advice:

Regrind sprues and runners can be reused at 20%.

# Purging advice: injection moulding

Purge the plastification unit and, if existing, the hot runner with PP, PE or purging compound. Before production: **During production:** Heat tools and plastification unit to the recommended temperature. If tool is not filled, increase

temperature stepwise. Material has a tendency to degrade and therefore needs a constant melt flow. Purge the plastification unit and, if existing, the hot runner with PP, PE or purging compound.

Important information: The dwell time of the material inside the machine shall be reduced to a minimum in order to lower the

risk of degradation.

### **Drying conditions and storage**

After production:

General: Bio-Flex® is a biodegradable plastic based on PLA and other biopolymers. Moisture content can lead

to hydrolysis. Residual moisture content of more than 0.2 % can result in fish eyes and/or pin holes

during processing.

Drying: We recommend drying Bio-Flex<sup>®</sup> at 60°C for a period of 2 - 4 hours.

Storage conditions: If not specified otherwise product life is 6 month after shipment from Sellers warehouse if product is in

its original packaging, stored under dry (max. 70% relative humidity) and dark conditions (not exposed to sunlight at a temperature of 5 °C to max. 30°C (ambient temperature). It is important to observe that a major drop in external air temperature (e.g. during transportation) can result in a development of water condensate. Prior to the processing of the material, it should be ensured that

there is no condensate on the packaged product.

Storage conditions for finished products: Finished products made from Bio-Flex® must be stored dry and cold. It is recommended to wrap

goods in black PE liners to protect them against moisture and UV radiation. Storage time depends on processing parameters and of climate conditions in the respective area. Because of these essential and complex interacting parameters, FKuR Kunststoff GmbH cannot give any shelf life guarantees for finished products. Please notice that the conditions mentioned above depend on experience of our

customers. Each customer should execute individual storage tests according to product

specifications and storage requirements.



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