

# Hunthumber™ AT3018

## Adhesive Resin

### Description

**Hunthumber™ AT3018** resins are acid-anhydride-modified polyolefin resins. They are available in pellet form for use in the conventional extrusion and coextrusion equipment designed to process polyethylene (PE) resins.

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**Hunthumber™ AT3018** resin exhibits physical properties similar to linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) with similar density and melt index. Use of this adhesive resin in coextruded PE/barrier structures offers improved thermal resistance over that of ethylene vinyl acetate-based adhesive resins.

#### Applications

**Hunthumber™ AT3018** resin adheres to a variety of materials. It is most often used to adhere to EVOH, polyamide, PE, and ethylene copolymers.

**Hunthumber™ AT3018** resin can be utilized in the following co-extrusion processes:

- blown film
- cast film/sheet
- blow molding
- sheet and tubing

### Typical Properties

Properties	Test Method(s)	Typical Value	Unit
Density	ASTM D792 ISO 1183	0.92	g / cm <sup>3</sup>
Melt Flow Index(190°C/2.16kg)	ASTM D1238 ISO 1133	2.1	g / 10min
Melting Point	ASTM D3418 ISO 3146	116	°C
Vicat Softening Point	ASTM D1525 ISO 306	105	°C

### Adhesive Evaluation

The performance of any adhesive resin should be evaluated within the context of the application. The adhesive is designed to bond materials that would not ordinarily adhere to each other. In most cases, peel strength is used as a measure of performance. Although this is a convenient test, peel strength is affected not only by adhesion but also by factors such as peel angle, separation rate, temperature, and tensile and modulus properties of the materials, and often by the time elapsed since the formation of the bond. Post-treatment of the multi-layer structure, such as heat sealing, thermoforming, or orientation, can also affect peel strength.

## Processing Information

### Maximum Processing Temperature

260°C(500°F)

### General Processing Information

In coextrusions with thermally sensitive resins such as EVOH or EVA, we suggest that the maximum melt temperature be limited to 235°C (455°F) to guard against overheating the EVOH or EVA. If adhesion results are adequate, we suggest evaluating even lower melt temperatures such as 210 - 220°C (410 - 428°F).

For coextrusion with polyamides or other thermally stable resins, the melt temperature can be higher. We suggest a maximum melt temperature of 260°C (500°F). This should provide acceptable bond strengths and film quality under almost all coextrusion conditions. If adhesion results are adequate, melt temperatures can be lowered. While it is possible to extrude **Hunthumber™ AT3018** resins as high as 300°C (572°F), such high extrusion temperatures, particularly when coupled with long residence times, may result in some film imperfections. In certain streamlined extrusion operations, where residence times are short, it may be possible to use temperatures higher than 260°C (500°F).

In the event of a brief interruption during the extrusion processing, it is essential to operate the screw at a low speed. Prior to extended shutdowns, it is necessary to thoroughly purge the **Hunthumber™ AT3018** resins from the extruder using polyethylene. During purging, the processing temperature should be maintained without change.

## Storage Condition

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**Hunthumber™ AT3018** resins should be stored under dry and cool conditions. Improper storage conditions may cause degradation and have consequences on physical properties of the product.

## REACH Compliance

**Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin is manufactured and supplied by Hunthumber in compliance with the European Union's Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation, and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH).

We declare that to the best of our knowledge:

Substance Registration: All substances within **Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin that are subject to registration under the REACH regulation have been duly registered. Hunthumber ensures continuous monitoring and compliance with the REACH requirements.

Safety Data Sheets (SDS): Relevant Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for **Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin are provided and maintained in accordance with REACH requirements. These documents offer comprehensive information regarding safety measures and guidance on the safe handling of our product.

SVHC and Authorisation: **Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin does not contain any substances of very high concern (SVHC) above the threshold level as defined by REACH. We actively monitor the candidate list of SVHC and take necessary actions if any substance within our product is affected by authorisation requirements.

Restrictions: **Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin complies with all the restriction requirements of Annex XVII of REACH. We continuously monitor any updates to restriction conditions and implement them as part of our compliance process.

Hunthumber is dedicated to ensuring that **Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin meets the high safety and environmental standards set by the REACH regulation. However, it is the responsibility of the importers and downstream users to confirm that their specific use of **Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin aligns with all applicable REACH regulations and requirements.

This statement is provided to offer guidance on the REACH compliance status of **Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin and does not replace the need for due diligence by users of the resin. Hunthumber does not assume liability for any non-compliance issues arising from the use of **Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin in conditions or applications not in accordance with REACH regulations.

## FDA Compliance

**Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin complies with the Food and Drug Administration Regulation 21 CFR 175.105 - Adhesives. This regulation outlines the permissible use of adhesives as components in articles designed for packaging, transporting, or holding food, subject to specific limitations and requirements.

The information and certifications provided herein are based on data believed to be reliable. However, they pertain solely to the **Hunthumber™**

**AT3018** Resin as sold by our company and may not be applicable when used in processes or in combination with other materials. These certifications are provided at the request of, and without charge to, our customers.

Users are responsible for verifying that their use of **Hunthumber™ AT3018** Resin complies with all applicable FDA regulations and are encouraged to consult with regulatory experts or legal counsel to ensure full compliance. While we strive to provide accurate and up-to-date information, Hunthumber cannot guarantee the provided certifications or information and assumes no liability for their use.

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