

# THE TPE GROUPS COMPARED BY THEIR ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

| TPE group | base polymer                          | advantages   | disadvantages  |
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| TPE-S     | styrene                               | high transparent<br>wide hardness range (<1 up to 95 Shore A)<br>low density (0.9)<br>good chemical resistance<br>easy processing<br>UV resistance | oil/grease resistance<br>temperature resistance >100°C<br>compression set at 100°C   |
| TPE-U     | polyurethane                          | surface properties<br>abbrasision resistance   | processing difficult<br>expensive<br>high density<br>limited chemical resistance<br>limited in hardness (>75 Shore A)<br>UV resistance |
| TPE-E     | polyester                             | good fatigue properties<br>chemical resistance   | expensive<br>hardness in Shore D area  |
| TPE-A     | polyamide                             | chemical resistance  | hardness mainly in Shore A area<br>very expensive<br>UV resistance   |
| TPE-O     | polyolefine/rubber<br>non-crosslinked | relatively cheap<br>low density possible   | temperature resistance<br>smell<br>compression set   |
| TPE-V     | polyolefine/rubber<br>crosslinked     | compression set at 100°C<br>chemical resistance<br>well accepted in market   | not transparant  |



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