Crestaform Tough

Introduction

The Crestaform® Tough resin is an Engineering 3D printing resin for designing and prototyping. It is strong, stiff, and resilient for ABS-like materials with lower crack propagation.

Crestaform® Tough comes with the following benefits:

- Excellent mechanical performance
- High reactivity and printing speed
- Rigorously tested to ensure optimal performance
- Globally available technical support
- Reputable manufacturer with over 100 years of experience and expertise

Typical printing parameters*

Printer Type	LCD, DLP		
Printer Wavelength (nm)	385 - 405		
Layer Height (μm)	25 - 100		
Printing Temperature (°C)	21 - 30		
Base Layer Exposure Time (sec)	10 - 30		
Normal Layer Exposure Time (sec)	1.5 - 3.5		

^{*} For DLP printers, it is recommended that light power is reduced to around 2.5mW/cm²

Recommended cleaning

- Soak the print in a clean isopropanol (IPA) (or similar solvent) bath for a minimum of 5 minutes. Alternatively, rinse the part with IPA until all the visible uncured resin has been removed. Reusing IPA in multiple cleans can reduce the cleanliness and clarity of a print
- Leave the print to dry off any residual solvent prior to post-curing

Recommended post-curing

- Post-cure as soon as possible after completion of printing
- Post-cure every print for a minimum of 10 minutes under a dedicated curing UV light operating at 385-405nm wavelength. Alternatively, leave the print to cure for a minimum of 2 hours under direct sunlight
- Temperature-assisted UV curing will increase the rigidity of the print

Instructions to use the Crestaform® Tough resin:

- Always shake or mix the resin thoroughly before use
- Open the container and pour the appropriate amount of resin into the tank according to the size of the printer model
- Make sure to not spill the resin onto the printer, LCD screen or anywhere outside of the resin tank
- If not used for a long time, please filter the resin and pour the resin into the storage container





Physical properties

	Values	Description
Viscosity (Poise)	5.5 – 8.5	ICI Viscosity @ 25°C
Liquid Density (g/cm³)	1.12 – 1.13	-
Colour Options	-	Black, Blue, Grey

Mechanical properties

Typical properties below: Mechanical Testing Specimen Print Orientation - 50°

	Values	Description				
Tensile strength (MPa)*	40	ISO 527-2 Type 5A				
Tensile modulus (GPa)*	1.6	ISO 527-2 Type 5A				
Elongation at break (%)*	17	ISO 527-2 Type 5A				
Flexural strength (MPa)*	84	ISO 178				
Flexural modulus (GPa)*	1.9	ISO 178				
Izod Impact Strength (kJ/m²)**	2.94	ISO 180 Type A				
Hardness (Shore)*	78D	ISO 868				
Heat deflection temperature (°C)*	50	ISO 75-2, Method A (1.8 MPa)				

^{* 60} mins at 60°C + 405nm UV Post Cure for cured properties

Chemical Resistance*

	Concentration	Mass increase (%)			
	Concentration	1 day	7 days	14 days	28 days
Sodium Hydroxide	33%	0	2	2	8

^{*} Testing Conducted at 40°C using 1cm3 cubes

^{** 16} mins at 60°C + 405nm UV Post Cure for cured properties





Compatibility

Crestaform® Tough has been designed to work with any UV LCD and DLP 3D printer that is open to 3rd party resins, including, but not limited to:

- Anycubic
- Elegoo
- Phrozen
- Creality
- Asiga



Do

- Always wear Personal Protection Equipment (PPE), protective eyewear and chemical nitrile gloves when handling resin
- Shake the resin well every time before you use it or decant from the container
- If spilled, please clean the spill immediately with paper towel, and Isopropanol (IPA)
- Store it in its original container at room temperature, away from children, untrained personnel, direct or indirect sunlight, heat sources, sparks and open flames
- Use it in well ventilated rooms
- Use every sensible preventive precaution to avoid skin contact, spillage of resin, eye contact or swallowing. Make note of Local Poison Centres availability

X Do not

- Expose resin to direct or indirect sunlight, UV light, heat sources, sparks and open flame while handling and storing the resin
- Touch the resin with bare hands. Always wear appropriate gloves. If skin contact occurs, wash it with soapy water. If you feel unwell, please consult immediately medical assistance
- Swallow the resin or printed objects
- Expose to children or pets
- Handle before completing training
- Expose persons sensitive to the resin components please see Material Safety Datasheet
- Inhale the resin fumes. Use only in well ventilated rooms or areas
- Pour the resin or used IPA into the draining system

Storage

Crestaform® Tough should be stored in the dark, in suitable, closed containers. It is recommended that the storage temperature should be between 15°C and 35°C. Ideally, containers should be opened only immediately prior to use. Keep out direct light/sunlight.

Packaging

Crestaform® Tough is supplied in 1000 g bottles. Bulk supply available.

Health and safety

Please see separate Safety Data Sheet.

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