SABIC Innovative Plastics™



Lexan* International Building Code (IBC) Compliance

LEXAN* Thermoclear and Corrugated Sheet products meet the International Code Council (ICC) requirements for light transmitting plastics as outlined in chapter 26 of the IBC. These requirements include standards for self-ignition, burn rate, smoke density, flame spread and smoke development.

The IBC limits the use of approved plastic materials. Limitations include the size of each panel, distance between panels, as well as building type, height, and location. Consult the prevailing code to ensure compliance.

Self-Ignition Temperature (ASTM D 1929)

Plastic material must have a self-ignition temperature of 650 F or greater. LEXAN* Thermoclear and Corrugated Sheet have a self-ignition temperature of about 1000 F.

Horizontal Burn Rate (ASTM D 635)

Plastic material that have a burning extent of 1 inch or less have a CC1 classification. Plastic materials that have a burning rate of 2.5 inches per minute or less have a CC2 classification. LEXAN* Thermoclear and Corrugated sheet have a CC1 classification since they self extinguish between 0.4 and 1 inch.

Smoke Density (ASTM D 2843)

Plastic material must have a smoke density rating no greater than 75 where tested in the thickness intended for use. LEXAN* Thermoclear, Thermoclick, and Corrugated sheet typically generate a smoke density value between 40-73.

Flame Spread and Smoke Development (ASTM E84)

In order to obtain the Flame Spread Classification, results must fall into a range between 0 and 25 to be Class A, 26-75 for Class B, and 76-200 for Class C. In all cases, Smoke Development must be less than 450. Lexan* Thermoclear, Thermoclick, and Corrugated sheet products have a class A classification.

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