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When your application has to be strong but lightweight, or rigid yet flexible, sometimes the choice in clear materials isn't always apparent. Our experts are here to provide valuable guidance to determine your product needs and meet your goals. With the industry's most comprehensive transparent specialty, engineering, and commodity portfolio, it's clear that we have the right material for you.



Type of Material	Tradename(s)	Transmission %	Refractive Index	FDA Compliant	Flame Retardant	UV Stabilized	Impact Modified	Advantages
Clarified Polypropylene (RCPP)	Chase Plastics CP PRYME® PP	Variable	1.47	•				 Good cost vs. performance Excellent processability No drying required Excellent chemical resistance
Copolyester	SK Chemicals Ecozen® Copolyester	89	1.56	•	Up to V-2		•	Bio-basedGood chemical resistance and toughnessExcellent processability and flow
Ethylene Vinyl Acetate (EVA)	Formosa Plastics Corporation TAISOX® EVA LG Chem EVA TPI Polene EVA	Variable	1.48	•				 Good flexibility Low cost Sealable for use in films Commonly used for adhesives
Glycol-Modified Polyethylene Terephthalate (PETG) Polycyclohexylenedimethylene terephthalate (PCTG)	SK Chemicals Skygreen® PCTG & PETG	90	1.57	•				 PCTG grades available for improved toughness Not prone to stress weathering Good toughness Good chemical resistance Shorter thermoforming cycles compared to PC and PMMA
Methyl Methacrylate Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (MABS)	LG Chem MABS Toray TOYOLAC™ MABS	88	1.54	•				 Excellent processability and high flow Good toughness and strength Good gloss Good chemical resistance
Polycarbonate (PC)	Chase Plastics CP PRYME [®] PC Idemitsu Tarflon™ PC LG Chem Lupoy [®] PC Mitsubishi Iupilon [®] PC	91	1.58	•	•	٠	•	Outstanding toughnessGood dimensional stabilityHigh heat resistance
PC Copolymer	SABIC's Specialties business LEXAN™ Copolymer PC	91	1.58	•	•	•	•	Excellent processabilityExcellent impact resistanceGood dimensional and color stability

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Polyetherimide (PEI)	SABIC's Specialties business ULTEM™ Resin	90	1.68	•	•		•	 Long-term high heat capability High strength and modulus at high temperatures Good dimensional stability Excellent chemical resistance
Polymethyl Methacrylate (PMMA/Acrylic)	LX MMA PMMA Plaskolite OPTIX® PMMA	92	1.49	•		•	•	Good scratch resistanceGood dimensional stability
Polymethylpentene Copolymer (PMP)	Mitsui Plastics TPX™ PMP	94	1.46	•				 Outstanding chemical resistance Excellent heat resistance Lowest specific gravity of all thermoplastics No drying required
Polystyrene (PS)	Chase Plastics CP PRYME® PS Chi Mei Polyrex® PS	92	1.59	•				Good chemical resistanceGood cost vs. performance
Polysulfones	Solvay Specialty Polymers Radel® PPSU Solvay Specialty Polymers Udel® PSU Solvay Specialty Polymers Veradel® PESU	77 85 76	1.65 1.63 1.67	•	•			 Long-term high heat capability Excellent chemical resistance Autoclavable (over 1,000 cycles) Good dimensional stability
Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)	Aurora Plastics PVC Sylvin Compounds PVC	76	1.53	•	•			 40A to 75D durometer hardness range Excellent flexibility
Styrene Acrylonitrile (SAN)	Chase Plastics CP PRYME® SAN LG Chem SAN	88	1.56	•				Good dimensional stabilityGood cost vs. performanceExcellent chemical resistance
Styrene Butadiene Block Copolymer (SBC)	Chi Mei KIBITON® Q-Resin SBC	90.5	1.57	•				71D durometer hardnessExcellent toughnessGood cost vs. performance
Styrenic Thermoplastic Elastomer (TPE-S)	Kraiburg THERMOLAST® TPE	Variable	Variable	•				 Lowest durometer hardness of all thermoplastics (down to 30A) Excellent resilience
Thermoplastic Polyurethane (TPU)	Huntsman AVALON® TPU Huntsman IROGRAN® TPU	88	1.49	•	•	•		56A to 65D durometer hardness rangeExcellent wear and abrasion resistance
Transparent Nylons (PA)	Evonik TROGAMID® Nylon LANXESS Corporation Durethan® Nylon	85-92	1.51-1.59	•	•			 Excellent processability and flow Outstanding chemical resistance Excellent toughness Low water absorption and density compared to standard nylons Good weatherability



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