

PROCESSING ADVICE

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## **Trifilon BioLite®4**

# Natural Fiber Reinforced Polypropylene

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#### 1. Designation of product, preparation and manufacturer

1.1 Trade name: Trifilon BioLite4

1.2 Use of product: Plastic compound for manufacture of injection

moulded parts.

1.3 Manufacturer: Trifilon AB

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1.4 Type of machine equipment: Designed for use on standard screw injection

molding machine with open nozzle and non-return

flow valve.

#### 2. Processing conditions for injection moulding

2.1 Processing Temperatures:	Values	Units
Feeding zone	40	°C
Zone 1	150	°C
Zone 2	170	°C
Zone 3	180	°C
Zone 4	185	°C
Machine nozzle	190	°C
Mass temperature	190	°C
Hot runner	190	°C
Mould temperature	20-50	°C

### 3. Machine settings for injection molding

Values	Units
>10	-
30-80	bar
1-3 D	-
>1000	bar
Medium	-
40-70	%
10-30	sec
5-10	%
10-50	sec
	>10 30-80 1-3 D >1000 Medium 40-70 10-30 5-10



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General advice: We recommend cold runner systems and suitable sprue, gate and venting design to enable the optimal filling of the mold with a natural fiber reinforced polymer. If a hot runner system is used, we recommend an open gate design with a minimum gate diameter of 1mm. Non-tapered pin or parallel valves are recommended over tapered gates.

4. Machine cleaning advice	
4.1 Prior to production:	To ensure optimal results, purge injection molding machine with PP or relevant purging compound.
4.2 During production:	Ensure that tooling and screw zones are set to the recommended temperatures. If tool is not filled, increase temperature stepwise. Material has a tendency to burn and therefore needs a constant melt flow. Avoid temperatures above 210°C as natural fibers in compound will begin to rapidly degrade, leading to a decrease in mechanical properties.
4.3 Post production:	Ensure that injection molding machine is purged with PP or relevant purging compound.
4.4 General advice:	To avoid risk of material degradation and possible risk of pyrolysis, the dwell time of the material inside the machine should be minimized as much as possible.
5. Tooling maintenance advice	
5.1 Prior to production:	To ensure optimal results, apply a conventional mold release to the tooling prior to production.
5.2 During production:	BioLite resins may leave hemp residuals on the tooling surface. These residuals are non-toxic, non-corrosive, non-oxidative and can be removed with a standard cold degreasing agent.
5.3 Post production:	To remove any hemp residuals from the tooling

surface, use a standard cold degreasing agent in combination with a mildly abrasive scouring pad or cloth. Follow the instructions provided with the

BioLite resins may leave hemp residuals on general purpose tooling steel (e.i. P20). These residuals do not damage the tooling surface and can be removed

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5.4 General advice:



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#### 6. Storage and drying conditions

6.1 General advice: Trifilon BioLite4 is a natural fibre reinforced

thermoplastic compound based on polypropylene. Residual moisture content of more than 0.3 % can result in evaporation during the injection process or in condensed moisture on the mould. To avoid problems related to evaporation, ensure material is

thoroughly dried prior to use.

6.2 Storage conditions: Store in a cool, dry location. Ensure good

housekeeping practices during storage, transfer and handling of material. Keep octabins and big bags closed to prevent contamination. Opened goods should be used immediately or adequately resealed

to avoid moisture uptake and contamination.

6.3 Storage conditions for finished

products:

It is recommended to store the finished goods in a

cool, dry place. Depending on the storage

conditions and processing conditions used to mold the products, storage time may vary. Trifilon AB cannot provide any shelf life guarantees for finished goods. It is recommended that customers perform their own storage tests to adapt to their product and

general storage environments.

6.4 Drying advice: To ensure optimal results, drying is recommended at

80 °C for a period of 2 - 4 hours using a desiccant dryer. The recommended drying time can vary depending on storage conditions of material.

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