

EPS INSULATION TYPICAL PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Typical Physical Properties of Cellofoam® EPS Insulation

Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Insulation produced by Cellofoam North America Inc. (Cellofoam) is a rigid closed cell foamed plastic with fire retardant that is molded in a range of densities and finished products that meet application specifications and end use requirements. Cellofoam EPS Insulation products may be laminated using a wide variety of facer options based on the application and have all the characteristics required for long-term performance that include high permanent "R" value, inherent water resistance, excellent physical strength and dimensional stability. Cellofoam EPS Insulation products provide a low cost, energy saving solution, making it the product insulation of choice for Permanent Void Fill products or Nonstructural Sheathing / Underlayment applications in Roofing, Roof Recovery, Exterior Wall, Perimeter Foundation, Under Slab and Cold Storage. Cellofoam manufactures EPS insulation to meet or exceed ASTM C578, Standard Specification for Rigid, Cellular Polystyrene Thermal Insulation. The following table lists the typical physical properties of Cellofoam EPS Insulation (except where ASTM C578 min or max values are specified), as determined from resin manufacturers, independent test agencies, and internal testing.

Cellofoam® EPS Insulation		ASTM Test	ASTM C578 Type			
Typical Physical Properties ¹	Units		Type I	Type VIII	Type II	Type IX
Density (Nominal)	lb/ft³	C303 or	1.0	1.25	1.5	2.0
Density (Minimum)	lb/ft³	D1622	0.90	1.15	1.35	1.80
Thermal Resistance						
R-Value ² at 25° l	e (°F ft² hr) /	0	4.35	4.54	4.76	5.00
at 40° l		C177 or C518	4.17	4.25	4.55	4.76
at 75	inch inch	00.0	3.85	3.92	4.17	4.35
Compressive Strength at 10% deformation	psi	D1621	10 - 14	13 - 18	15 - 21	25 - 33
Flexural Strength	psi	C203	25 - 30	30 - 38	40 - 50	50 - 75
Water Vapor Permeance 1.0 in. thickness	perm.	E96	2.0 - 3.0	1.5 - 2.8	0.9 - 2.5	0.6 - 1.5
Water Absorption by total immersion	volume %	C272 or C1763	< 1.5	< 1.5	< 1.5	< 1.5
Capillarity			none	none	none	none
Maximum Service Temperature						
Long-ter	m °F		167	167	167	167
Intermitte	nt °F		180	180	180	180
Dimensional Stability maximum	change %	D2126	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5
Coefficient of Thermal Expansio	n in/(in °F)	D696	0.000035	0.000035	0.000035	0.000035
Oxygen Index minimum	volume %	D2863	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0
Flame Spread Index		E84	< 20	< 20	< 20	< 20
Smoke Developed Index	-	E84	150-300	150-300	150-300	150-300
Fungus & Bacterial Resistance	-	C1338	Will not support bacterial or fungus growth; no food value			

¹ Typical physical properties are based on data provided by resin manufacturer, independent test agencies, and Cellofoam North America Inc. All data is for plain, unlaminated EPS foam.

² R means resistance to heat flow. The higher the R value, the greater the insulating power.



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Warning: This product is combustible and if exposed to a fire of sufficient heat and intensity may burn rapidly. It should not be left exposed or inadequately protected. Long-term (several months or more) exposure to ultraviolet radiation will cause discoloration. Protect Cellofoam expanded polystyrene from exposure to hydrocarbons, coal tar pitch, solvents, and solvent fumes. Consult specific instructions and applicable building codes for use of this product.

The performance data herein reflects Cellofoam's expectation based on tests conducted in accordance with recognized standard methods from both internal and independent test laboratories.

Cellofoam North America Inc. is an expanded polystyrene foam manufacturer and not an engineering consulting firm. Thus, it is beyond our scope to provide design services on the specific use for our products. Users of our EPS products should consult with appropriate engineering experts to determine the exact type and specifications of EPS required for their project to meet structural and other design requirements. The sale of these products shall be subject to Terms and Conditions of Sale, including those limiting warranties as set forth in Cellofoam's invoices. No agent, employee, or representative of Cellofoam North America Inc. or its subsidiary or affiliated companies is authorized to modify this disclaimer.