

# AIREX<sup>®</sup> PXw

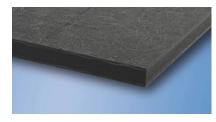


GM--TDS-110

## Fiber-Reinforced Structural Foam Panel

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## DESCRIPTION



**AIREX<sup>®</sup> PXw** is a closed-cell, fiber reinforced polymer foam panel with a special formulation and very high mechanical properties.

The sophisticated manufacturing process evenly distributes continuous glass fibers with woven fabrics throughout the foam. This generates a product with enhanced mechanical properties in flexure (bending), allowing it to be used with or without face sheets.

**AIREX<sup>®</sup> PXw** is dimensionally stable, does not lose strength when wet, and is resistant to chemicals and high emperatures. It is ideally suited as a material for static applications requiring high stiffness or as a replacement for wood and plywood.

#### **CHARACTERISTICS**

- Stand alone product does not need face sheets
- High flexural strength and stiffness
- Replacement for wood and plywood
- Good fastener pull-out strength
- High heat resistance
- Compatible with a wide range of resins and adhesives
- Dimensionally stable
- High styrene resistance
- Very low water absorption
- Non biodegradable
- Excellent chemical resistance

#### **APPLICATIONS**

- Wind energy: Floors, soles, bulkheads, transoms, stringers, engine beds, interiors, local reinforcements, tooling and molds
- Road and Rail: Floors, sidewalls, roofs, engine covers, interior panels
- Industrial: Covers, tanks, containers, floors, tooling and molds, concrete pouring forms, architectural panels, tub and shower enclosures
- Building & Construction: concrete forms, substrates for fascia, SIPs panels, tub and shower enclosures

#### **PROCESSING\***

- Contact molding (hand/spray)
- Resin infusion / injection (VARTM / RTM)
- Adhesive bonding
- Pre-preg
- Press / compression molding

\* for details, please refer to AIREX<sup>®</sup> Processing Guidelines

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# **AIREX**<sup>°</sup>



MECHANICAL PROPERTIES									
Typical properties		Unit (metric)	AIREX <sup>®</sup> PXw.320	AIREX <sup>®</sup> PXw.385	AIREX <sup>®</sup> PXw.420	AIREX <sup>®</sup> PXw.520			
Density	ASTM C-271 ISO-845	kg/m³	320	385	420	527			
Compressive strength perpendicular to the plane	ASTM C-365 ISO-844	N/mm²	4.52	6.17	7.00	10.90			
Compressive modulus perpendicular to the plane	ASTM C-365 ISO-844	N/mm²	116	215	244	379			
Tensile Strength	ASTM C-297	N/mm²	3.7	3.76	3.78	3.9			
Tensile Modulus	ASTM C-297	N/mm²	97	117	127	367			
Shear strength	ASTM C-273 ISO 1922	N/mm²	2.5	3.15	3.47	4.47			
Shear modulus	ASTM C-273 ISO 1922	N/mm²	88	115	128	189			
Flexural strength	ASTM D-790	N/mm²	23.31	30.39	33.43	38.20			
Flexural modulus	ASTM D-790	N/mm²	1.546	1.739	1.836	1.918			
Screw pull-out strength*	ASTM D1761	Ν	658	Not tested	888	Not tested			
Water absorption	ASTM C-272	%	2.53	Not tested	2.14	Not tested			
	Width	mm	1219	1219	1219	1219			
Standard sheet	Length	mm	2438	2438	2438	2438			
	Thickness	mm	20 to 50	12 to 45	12 to 45	12 to 50			

Finishing Options, other dimensions and closer tolerances upon request.

All properties evaluated on ¾" (20 mm) rigid sheet; other thickness will have similar performance based on that specific sheet density. Flexural testing support span ratio 16:1.

\*fastener type #14 sheet metal screw

The data provided gives approximate values for the nominal density. Due to density variations these values can be lower than indicated above. Minimum values to calculate sandwich constructions can be provided upon request.

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Density	ASTM C-271 ISO-845	lb/ft <sup>3</sup>	20	24	26	32			
Compressive strength perpendicular to the plane	ASTM C-365 ISO-844	psi	655	895	1,015	1,581			
Compressive modulus perpendicular to the plane	ASTM C-365 ISO-844	psi	22,603	31,139	35,407	54,969			
Tensile Strength	ASTM C-297	psi	536	545	549	562			
Tensile Modulus	ASTM C-297	psi	14,125	16,959	18,375	53,228			
Shear strength	ASTM C-273 ISO 1922	psi	363	457	504	648			
Shear modulus	ASTM C-273 ISO 1922	psi	12,744	16,660	18,618	27,412			
Flexural strength	ASTM D-790	psi	3,525	4,407	4,848	5,538			
Flexural modulus	ASTM D-790	psi	224,273	252,250	266,238	278,169			
Screw pull-out strength*	ASTM D1761	lbf	148	Not tested	199	Not tested			
Water absorption	ASTM C-272	%	2.53	Not tested	2.14	Not tested			
Standard sheet	Width	in	48	48	48	48			
	Length	in	96	96	96	96			
	Thickness	in	¾ to 2	½ to 1 ¾	½ to 1 ¾	½ to 2			

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