SEMICRYSTALLINE THERMOPLASTICS

POPULAR MATERIAL CHOICES:

Acetal HDPE LDPE Nylon PPS
PBT PEEK PET PP PTFE

Semicrystalline polymers have a highly ordered molecular structure. They do not soften as the temperature rises, but rather have a defined and narrow melting point. This melting point is generally above that of the upper range of amorphous thermoplastics.

THE GOOD

- Resistant to stress cracking
- Good fatigue resistance
- Good for bearing and wear (as well as structural applications)
- Good chemical resistance
- Opaque

THE NOT-SO GOOD

- Sharp melting point
- Poor formability
- Difficult to bond using adhesives or solvents



