

# **Ethafoam**<sup>®</sup>

Polyethylene Foam Products

First in Foams, Leaders in Innovation

# GO WITH THE PIONEER IN PE FOAMS

Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> foam products have been the leader in polyethylene foam packaging for nearly 60 years. We've come a long way from our humble beginnings and now offer our foams in a wide variety of densities, colors, thicknesses and properties.

# LEGENDARY DEPENDABILITY

The Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> line is known for its outstanding dimensional stability and recovery characteristics, while providing unparalleled cushioning protection against repeated impacts. In addition to providing excellent protection, Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> products are chemical and water resistant<sup>\*</sup>.

\*LDPE foam manufacturers Chemical Resistance Guide.

# OUR STANDARD OFFERINGS ARE A CUT ABOVE

Our line of PE foam products offer more options:

- Densities
  - We offer six distinct Ethafoam® product densities from 1.5 to 9.0 lb./cu.ft.
- Thicknesses
  Depending on the

Depending on the density, we offer our Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> planks in a variety of thicknesses, from 1.5" to 4".

Properties

Some Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> products are available with anti-static and/or flame-retardant properties.

Colors

We offer a variety of standard color options. Other colors are available upon request (minimums apply).

# EXPANDED RESOURCEFULNESS

Using our Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> line as a foundation, we continue to innovate new foams for specific applications.

- Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> Whisper<sup>™</sup> sound absorbing foam An exciting new hydrophobic material providing excellent acoustical properties.
- Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> Synergy<sup>®</sup> fine cell polyethylene foam A low-abrasion solution for applications where presentation matters.
- Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> HRC recycled resin content polyethylene foam Foams with a minimum of 50% recycled resin content.





# UNIVERSAL APPEAL

The versatile nature of Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> polyethylene foam packaging enables its use in applications from fragile finishings to heavy duty dunnage. Common uses include electronics protection, automotive returnable dunnage, defense packaging, kitted equipment and more.

# **TYPICAL PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

Physical Properties	Test Method	Ethafoam <sup>®</sup> 150	Ethafoam® 180	Ethafoam <sup>®</sup> 220	Ethafoam® 400	Ethafoam® 600	Ethafoam <sup>®</sup> 900
Density ( <i>lb/ft</i> <sup>3</sup> )	ASTM D3575-08	1.5	1.8	2.2	4.0	6.0	9.0
Compressive Strength (psi) vertical @ 25% vertical @ 50%	ASTM D3575-08 <i>Suffix D</i>	7 14	8 16	10 18	17 28	28 45	60 90
Compressive Set (%)	ASTM D3575-08 Suffix B	< 20	< 20	< 20	< 15	< 15	< 15
Compressive Creep (%) (1000 hrs)	ASTM D3575-08 Suffix BB	< 10 @ 1.3 psi	< 10 @ 2.0 psi	< 10 @ 2.5 psi	< 10 @ 5.0 psi	< 10 @ 10 psi	< 10 @ 20 psi
Tensile Strength (@ ½" Thickness)	ASTM D3575-08 Suffix T	23	24	31	43	65	120
<b>Tear Resistance</b> ( <i>lb/in</i> ) (across grain @ ½" thickness)	ASTM D3575-08 Suffix G	7	7.5	10	17	22	35
Cell Size (mm)	ASTM D3576-04 Modified	2.5	2.0	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.1
Water Absorption ( <i>lb/ft²</i> )	ASTM D3575-08	< 0.3	< 0.3	< 0.3	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2
Thermal Stability (%)	ASTM D3575-08 Suffix S	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2
Static Decay* (sec) (Anti-Static Grade)	EIA Std. 541 Append. F	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2	< 2
Surface Resistivity* (ohms/sq) (Anti-Static Grade)	EIA Std. 541 Section 4.3	1.0 × 10 <sup>9</sup> – 1.0 × 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.0 × 10 <sup>9</sup> - 1.0 × 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.0 × 10 <sup>9</sup> - 1.0 × 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.0 × 10 <sup>9</sup> - 1.0 × 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.0 × 10 <sup>9</sup> - 1.0 × 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.0 × 10 <sup>9</sup> - 1.0 × 10 <sup>12</sup>
Thermal Conductivity (k value) BTU-IN/HR <sup>2</sup> -°F	ASTM C518-91	.49	.49	.43	.43	.43	.43
<b>Thermal Resistivity</b> ( <i>R value</i> ) <i>HR-FT<sup>2</sup>-°F/BTU</i>	ASTM C518-91	2.0	2.0	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3

The data presented for these products are for Ethafoam<sup>®</sup> polyethylene foam products. While values shown are typical of the products, they should not be construed as specification limits. \*Anti-Static



# PACKAGING DESIGN CENTERS CAPABILITIES

## Solution-Based Design and Development

Sealed Air's Packaging Design Centers exist to achieve one purpose: to help our customers find a high-performance, cost-effective packaging solution. With dedicated packaging engineers on staff in our over 29 ISTA-certified labs worldwide, we are ready to listen and deliver.

Our goal is to help you find a cost-effective solution to your packaging needs, and provide you with the most efficient package possible.

## Five Step Design Process

Outstanding design is a direct result of outstanding preparation. Our Five Step Design Process ensures that we are prepared to provide the best solution that includes:

- Understanding the shipping environment
- Defining product fragility
- Selecting the proper cushioning material
- Designing the prototype package
- Verifying the package through testing

# Partners in a Better Tomorrow

## Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Sealed Air makes every effort to ensure that waste packaging does not end up in a landfill. Ethafoam® products are non-crosslinked, meaning they can be recycled in our closed loop system. Our Packaging Design Centers will work with you to make sure you get a package that has maximum protection with minimum material. All Ethafoam® products can be reused multiple times before experiencing any degradation in their protective qualities.

#### We Have Designs on Serious Source Reduction

With over 29 Packaging Design Centers worldwide, Sealed Air is committed to being your partner in packaging by designing cost-efficient packaging.

Our services include design, prototyping and testing, as well as a network of trusted fabricator partners that can deliver what you need, time and time again.

## **Opening Doors with Closed Loop Recycling**

In order to verify our recycled resin is of the highest quality, Sealed Air has implemented a Closed Loop Recycling system. We have invested in collection systems that reclaim scrap material from our network of World-Class fabricators.



This allows us to reduce the amount of our

material that ends up in a landfill, while giving us greater control of the sourcing and quality of our materials.

To learn more visit www.recyclepefoam.com





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