

**DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE FOR MATERIALS AND ARTICLES
INTENDED TO COME INTO CONTACT WITH FOOD ⁽¹⁾**

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The issuer of this declaration and manufacturer of the products concerned hereby confirms that the products:

“Ketron[®] TX PEEK Food Grade” [PEEK]

**Semi-finished products: round rods and plates ⁽³⁾ and
Finished parts machined from these semi-finished products by Quadrant EPP**

- comply with the requirements of the Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004,
- comply with the relevant requirements of the Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 as amended up to and inclusive of the Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/174,
- are manufactured according to Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) as set out in Regulation (EC) No 2023/2006 of 22 December 2006 on good manufacturing practice for materials and articles intended to come into contact with food.

Based on migration tests performed on the products according to Regulation (EU) 10/2011 as amended, the overall migration as well as the specific migration does not exceed the legal limits set out in Regulation (EU) 10/2011, **when used as specified below.**

Specifications on the intended use of the products:

- Type(s) of food intended to come into repeated contact with the material:
All types of food
- Type(s) of food NOT intended to come into repeated contact with the material:
Not applicable
- Time and temperature of treatment and storage when in contact with the food:

- Overall migration tests run under the standardised testing conditions

**OM6 in 10 % ethanol (v/v) and 3 % acetic acid (w/v) and
OM7 in vegetable oil ^a**

- Specific migration tests run in

**3 % acetic acid (4 h at reflux temperature),
10 % ethanol (4 h at reflux temperature) and
Vegetable oil (2 h at 175 °C) ^b**

- Visible migration tests run according to the analytical method described in the Appendix of European Resolution AP (89)1, "On the use of colorants in plastic materials coming into contact with food", dated September 13, 1989, under III.1.

^a Overall migration tests in vegetable oil under the standardised testing conditions OM7 being replaced by tests in isooctane (4 h, 60 °C) and 95 % ethanol (6 h, 60 °C) in accordance with Directive 82/711/EEC as vegetable oil is technically not feasible with the used methods of analyses.

^b Specific migration tests in vegetable oil (2 h at 175 °C) being replaced by tests in isooctane (4 h, 60 °C) and 95 % ethanol (6 h, 60 °C) in accordance with Directive 82/711/EEC as vegetable oil is technically not feasible with the used methods of analyses.

- Ratio of food contact surface area to volume (S/V) used to establish the compliance of the products:
S/V = 6

The following substances, subject to restrictions under Regulation (EU) 10/2011 as amended, are used in the products:

| Chemical name of the substances | Restrictions |
|--|--------------------|
| 4,4'-Difluorobenzophenone (CAS No 000345-92-6) | SML = 0.05 mg/kg |
| 1,4-Dihydroxybenzene (CAS No 000123-31-9) | SML = 0.6 mg/kg |
| Diphenyl sulphone (CAS No 000127-63-9) | SML(T) = 3.0 mg/kg |
| Proprietary substances ⁽⁴⁾ | |

The following substances, identified as dual use additives under Regulation (EU) 10/2011 as amended, are used in the products:

| Chemical name of the substances |
|---------------------------------------|
| Calcium stearate (CAS No 001592-23-0) |
| Proprietary substances ⁽⁴⁾ |

It remains the responsibility of the customer putting the plastic articles manufactured from the products into the intended use, to assess the final suitability of the plastic material for the intended food contact application; i.e. checking if the physical properties of the plastic material make it suitable for the intended application, checking compliance of the finished plastic articles with the relevant migration limits, checking for possible influence of the plastic material on the composition and/or organoleptic properties of the contacting foodstuff, etc..

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- ⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EC) No. 1935/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 October 2004 on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food and repealing Directives 80/590/EEC and 89/109/EEC – Article 16.
- ⁽²⁾ This declaration expires 5 years after its date of issue or in case of regulatory or compositional changes which require its re-evaluation.
- ⁽³⁾ For information about the available dimensions, please contact your Quadrant EPP sales office.
- ⁽⁴⁾ Substances subject to restrictions under Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 as amended are used in the products. Upon request, the identity of these substances can be disclosed to third parties (e.g. test laboratories) under the terms of a Non-Disclosure Agreement.

NOTES:

- Finished food contact articles shall be manufactured such that the surface skin(s) of the semi-finished products is (are) taken away.
- It remains the responsibility of the customer putting the plastic articles manufactured from the products into the intended use that in accordance with good manufacturing practice, finished food contact articles are thoroughly cleansed prior to their first use in contact with food.
- This declaration of compliance is only valid for products that are carrying the Quadrant “for food contact label” (sticker), the relevant Quadrant “trade name label” (sticker) and the label (sticker) carrying the unique ‘production order number’ that allows traceability. For finished parts these stickers can be on the product itself or on their packing.
- It is the responsibility of the buyer to assure the traceability of the material during any further downstream use up to and including the finish machined part as well as the equipment in which it is assembled.
- Other language versions of this declaration of compliance can be downloaded from the Quadrant website www.quadrantplastics.com/eu-en.

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