CARBON BLACK



STERLING® SO



STERLING® SO carbon black is a standard semi-reinforcing grade that can be used in various tire carcass applications when moderate modulus, moderate reinforcement, and good processing characteristics are required. STERLING SO is particularly suited for tire carcass applications that require good extrusion characteristics with slightly more reinforcement than the more economical STERLING VH.

STERLING SO has been in the Cabot portfolio of grades for many decades. It is the most reinforcing of the semi-reinforcing grades of carbon, and traditionally has also been the most costly. STERLING SO conforms to ASTM grade N550.

Performance Features

- Reinforcement higher than N660, N650, or N772/N774
- · Ease of dispersion
- · Good extrusion characteristics
- Economical reinforcement for many carcass applications

Typical Applications

- · Passenger tire sidewalls
- · Passenger tire ply skim compound
- Industrial product applications including hose, weatherstrips, extruded profiles, roofing, seals, and moldings

STERLING SO Carbon Black from Cabot Corporation

STERLING SO carbon black represents an economical way to obtain moderate reinforcement of tire carcass or industrial product compounds. It is the most reinforcing of the semi-reinforcing grades. Its excellent extrusion characteristics and ease of dispersion make it user friendly.

Recipe: ASTM SBR, D 3191: 100 S1500, black as noted, 5 ZnO, 1.5 stearic acid, 2.0 MBTS, 2.0 S

Carbon Blacks	STERLING SO / N550	STERLING V / N660	N772	
Loading	40	50	62	
Note: loading adjusted to give 60 Shore A2				
Extrusion Shrinkage, ASTM D 2230				
Method B, %	57.5	60.0	61.0	
Tensile, 50' @ 145C, MPa	22.2	21.3	20.5	
50' 300% Modulus , MPa	10.8	9.5	9.9	
Elongation, %	525	550	550	
Resilience, ASTM D 1054,60'	63.7	63.2	61.9	

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