

PRATLIMOLD is a unique, high strength, dimensionally stable and castable plastic compound. It can be easily machined, carved, sawn and drilled. It can also be cast into very thick sections, is self-lubricating during machining and has completely isotropic mechanical properties.

TYPICAL PROPERTIES

- Dimensionally stable
- Self-lubricating.
- Low thermal expansion co-efficient 1,1 x 10⁻⁴/°C.
- Can be sawn, filed, carved, drilled, sanded and machined at very high speeds.
- Accepts paint (after surface grease or release agent has been removed with a solvent such as thinners).
- Can be glued with Pratley WONDAFIX.
- Good electrical insulator (dielectric strength 13 kV/mm).
- High resistance to oil, water and most common chemicals.
- Can be plated (Ornamental bronze)
- Density 1,08 g/mℓ.
- Gel time 15 to 25 minutes at 25 °C.
- Will maintain its properties (strength) up to 95 °C continuous.
 Thereafter, properties will deteriorate up to a limiting 140 °C.
- Ultimate tensile stress 56 MPa (8100 p.s.i.).
- Elasticity modulus 1.13 GPa (164 000 p.s.i.).

SOME SUGGESTED USES

- Excellent as a C.N.C. machine program proving material (can be machined at very high speed to produce good surface finish with minimal tool wear).
- Perfect for models and prototypes.
- Cast rods for machining of bushes.
- Material for artistic carving.
- Mould complex shapes.
- Make foundry patterns for castings.
- Make self-lubricating bearing bushes.
- Make electrical insulators and transformer bushings.

MACHINING

Best results are achieved using fast machining speeds and sharp tools with a generous rake angle.

