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**KOMATEX** PVC-U plastic sheets



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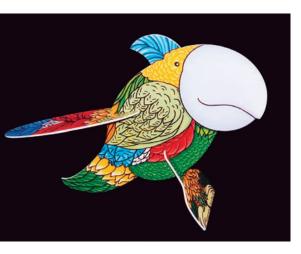
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## Komatex<sup>®</sup>



#### Komatex<sup>®</sup> Applications:

- Substrate for signs easily screen printed, painted, laminated; ideal for vinyl letter application
- Exhibit and trade-show booths
- Point-of-purchase and 3D displays
- · Photo mounting
- Arts and crafts
- Dimensional lettering
- Marine
- · Refrigeration
- Vehicle manufacturing
- · Theater and stage sets
- Models, architectural prototypes
- · Wood replacement

# The Versatile, Closed-cell, Rigid Foam PVC Sheet for Graphics, Display and Industrial Applications

Suitable for a virtually unlimited range of applications, PVC is one of the oldest and most developed synthetic materials. For more than 100 years, Kommerling has been dedicated to developing PVC, specifically to manufacturing high-quality profiles and sheeting from rigid PVC.

Komatex® features a closed-cell, matte-finish surface with a fine cell structure. It will fit the requirements for a multitude of applications, from substrates for graphics, point-of-purchase displays and backers for channel letters to wood replacement. Experience has shown that Komatex is the highest-quality PVC sheet available.

#### **Characteristics and Benefits**

Komatex is the product of choice for these application requirements:

- · Chemical and corrosion resistance
- Moisture resistance, low water absorption
- Low flammability (UL-940VO) perfect for trade shows and exhibit halls
- Thermal and sound insulation absorbs vibrations and oscillations
- · Matte finish that readily accepts most inks, paints and vinyls
- · Easy fabrication with most common tools
- · Bonds easily to similar and various other substrates
- Suitable for the majority of interior applications; can be use in limited exterior applications

Komatex sheets are not harmful to human health or the environment in manufacturing, applications or disposal. Komatex is free of lead, cadmium and barium. All Kommerling products comply with national and international regulations relating to the environment.

It is not recommended to laser cut Komatex.

To learn more about Komatex and its outdoor use or to see more examples of finished projects, visit www.kommerlingusa.com or call 1.800.330.2239.



### **Technical Values**

For applications requiring more detailed technical data, please contact our specialists.

Properties	Testing Method	Unit	Values	Values
Mechanical Apparent density* DIN 53 479 Tensile strength Elongation at tear Flexural strength Compressive strength (range of elasticity) (serving as a basis) Compressive stress at 30%  Modulus of elasticity	g/cm³ DIN 53 455 DIN 53 452 DIN 53 455 DIN 53 421 DIN 53 421 (serving as a basis) DIN 53 457 (similar to)	0.5 N/mm² % N/mm² N/mm² N/mm²	0.7 12 15 20 >3.0 >6.5	20 15 30 >3.0 >13
Impact strength Shore hardness D DIN 53 505	DIN 53 453	kJ/m² 48	20 55	15
Thermal Vicat softening temp. Vicat A Temp. of deflection under load acc. To ISO 75 (HDT) Coefficient of linear thermal expansion ∂ (-30° - 50°C) Thermal conductivity (0° - 60°C)	DIN 53 460 DIN 53 461 DIN 53 752 DIN 53 616	°C °C mm/m °C W/mK	78 68 0.08 0.06	75 60 0.08 0.10
Electrical Surface resistance DIN VDE 0303 T3 Volume resistivity Dielectric constant Ed Dielectric constant Er (at 1 kHz) Dielectric dissipation factor tan ∂ (at kHz) Comparative figure of tracking 600	Ω DIN VDE 0303 T3 DIN VDE 0303 T2 DIN 53 484 T2 DIN 53 483 T2 DIN IEC 112	6 x10 <sup>14</sup> Ω x cm kV/cm	>1 x 10 <sup>14</sup> >10 <sup>16</sup> 5.0 1.6 ± 0.5 100 0.012 CTI 600	4 x 10 <sup>15</sup> 16 2.5 48 0.016 CTI
Other Water absorption after 7 days Fire behavior  Allowable for contact with foodstuff	DIN 53 495 DIN 4102 (D) UL 94 (USA) NFP 92-501 (F) VKF (CH) VKF (CH) Italy (I)	% 1 – 6 mm ≥2 mm 2 – 6 mm (3 – 6 mm cold 2 – 6 mm 10 mm 2 – 6 mm	<0.3 ored) V.3	<3.0 B1 VO M1 V.3 Class 1 Yes

<sup>\*</sup>These are standard values that apply to an average density. Small variations depending on the sheet thickness are possible. Technical specifications are subject to change.



## Komatex® Sheet Sizes

## White

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Thicl	kness	Skid	Stock	Black			
mm	inches	Qty	Size	Thick	Thickness		Stock
1	1/128	200	4 x 8	mm	inches	Qty	Size
1	1/128	200	4 x 10	2	5/64	200	4 x 8
2	5/64	200	4 x 8	3	1/8	150	4 x 8
2	5/64	140	4 x 10	3	1/8	125	4 x 10
2	5/64	140	5 x 10	3	1/8	125	5 x 8
3	1/8	200	39 x 96	3	1/8	100	5 x 10
3	1/8	150	4 x 8	6	1/4	75	4 x 8
3	1/8	125	4 x 10	6	1/4	60	4 x 10
3	1/8	125	5 x 8	6	1/4	60	5 x 8
3	1/8	100	5 x 10	6	1/4	50	5 x 10
3	1/8	80	80" x 10'	10	3/8	45	4 x 8
4	5/32	100	4 x 8	12.7	1/2	40	4 x 8
4	5/32	90	4 x 10	12.7	1/2	30	4 x 10
4	5/32	70	5 x 10	19	3/4	20	4 x 8
5	3/16	90	4 x 8				
5	3/16	70	4 x 10				
5	3/16	60	5 x 10				
6	1/4	75	4 x 8	Colors			
6	1/4	60	4 x 10	Thick	Thickness		Stock
6	1/4	60	5 x 8	mm	inches	Qty	Size
6	1/4	50	5 x 10	3	1/8	150	4 x 8
6	1/4	50	80" x 10'	6	1/4	75	4 x 8
8	5/16	50	4 x 8	Visit our website for standard color information.			
10	3/8	45	4 x 8				
10	3/8	45	4 x 10				
12.7	1/2	40	4 x 8	Kommerling USA is the premier manufacturer			
12.7	1/2	30	4 x 10	of custom run-to-size sheets. Contact your			
19	3/4	20	4 x 8	sales representative about our low minimums			
19	3/4	20	4 x 10	and quick I	ead-times.		
25	1	20	4 x 8				



To request a free swatch book of the 14 available colors or for more information, visit www. kommerlingusa.com or call 1.800.330.2239.

## Working with Komatex®

#### Machining

Komatex® sheets can be easily and quickly worked with the standard tools used to process wood and metal. To prevent breaking and splitting, the tools must be sharp. Generally, you should use a high cutting speed and slow, continuous forward feed. Normally, it is not necessary to cool the cutting tools, but in special cases, compressed air is sufficient. Deep notches and sharp edges can cause premature breaking of the material if too much weight is placed on the affected area.

#### **Forming**

Deep-drawing and blowing of Komatex sheets is possible only to a limited extent. This is also true of bending and folding. The sheets can be deep-drawn, bent and, by warming, beveled under certain conditions. Deformations under thermal impact are possible to a limited degree (e.g., bending, beveling with notch, etc.)

#### Welding

Komatex can be welded by normal procedures, such as hot gas, heated tool, bending and welding, friction, etc., using common equipment. Before welding, the part of the sheet to be welded must be properly cleaned with a cleaning agent or by machining. After welding, finishing may be necessary. Komatex should be worked very carefully to ensure that the foam structure does not collapse.

#### **Bonding**

Komatex will accept most adhesives for rigid PVC. The sheet surface must be clean, dry and free of oil or grease. When choosing an adhesive, consider the strength required, the temperature the sheet will be exposed to, cure time and environmental safety.

When bonding Komatex to itself, the same solvent-type adhesives used for rigid PVC will provide excellent results. We recommend Lord and IPS Weld-on products for most applications in which bonding to Komacel or another substrate is required. As always, we suggest a test piece prior to full production.

#### **Painting and Screen Printing**

Komatex has a superior surface for screen printing. This method will give outstanding results with a crisp, clear, colorful finish. Paints also can be used to achieve similar results. No primers are required when using either method. UV, solvent-based and acrylic inks and paints can be used with Komatex to gain great results. To get proper adhesion, it is important that the sheets are clean and free of all dust, oils and grease before printing or painting. Isopropyl alcohol removes most foreign objects. Please consult your local distributor or ink manufacturer to find the best inks and paints to use with Komatex.

Nazdar Ink Recommendations 9700, S2, PP, GV, 3200 and 3600 series.

Sericol Ink Recommendations

Solvent Base: **UV Inks:** Polyplast PY Fascure Plastijet XG

Plastical Plastec Polyplast Matte (flat) Uviflex Mr Matte (flat) Tech Mark **GVYL UVRP** Gloss Poly

Inks are listed in order of preference.

#### Laminating

Laminating Komatex to other material should present no problems. Common resin-based adhesives or mastics can be used. For best results. Komatex must be clean and free of dust and dirt. Check with the adhesive manufacturer to be sure it will work with Komatex PVC.

#### **Fixing and Storage**

With a coefficient of linear thermal expansion a = 0.08 mm/m°C, Komatex sheets vary more in length than wood or metal. When you install screen-printed advertising boards or fix curtain walling and cladding, possible sheet expansion has to be taken into account. The appropriate fixing method depends on the application.

Always store Komatex sheets on a dry and even surface in heated rooms at 15 - 20°C (59 - 68°F). Sheets inside the packing must not be exposed to weathering and solar radiation.

#### **Tolerances**

Thickness (s)  $\pm (0.1 \text{ mm} + 0.05 \text{ x s})$ 0 / + 0.25 mm (0.01 in.) Length 0 / + 10 mm (0.39 in.) Rectangularity  $\leq$ 2.0 mm/m (0.08 in.) Linearity max. 1.5 mm/m (0.06 in./yd.) **Evenness** max 1.5 mm/m (0.06 in./yd.) Colors 14

Permissible color difference according to DIN standard 6174. color white, ≥ 1,2 CIELAB units.

Permissible color difference according to DIN standard 6174, colored, ≥ 2,5 CIELAB units.

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#### **ASTM E84-03 Test Results**

Property	Flame Spread Index	Smoke Developed Index
Komatex® - White	45	850
Komatex - Black	10	400
Komatex - Color	15	350

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