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# Material Datasheet – 20mm Knotless Bird Netting

Material: High tenacity UV stabilised Polypropylene

Mesh Size: 20mm

Weight: 50 g/sqm

Breaking Strain: 20 Kg per mesh

Life Expectancy: 10 Years in normal usage

## **Elongation**

Commercial polypropylene multifilaments have an elongation at break in the region of 20-30%.

### **Effects of Moisture**

Polypropylene is a paraffinic hydrocarbon and does not absorb water. Moisture does not affect the tensile strength of the net or any of the other mechanical properties.

#### **Effect of Low Temperature**

Polypropylene retains its flexibility to temperatures of 70°C or lower.

# **Softening Point**

The softening point of polypropylene fibres is in the region of  $150^{\circ}$ C and the fibre will melt at  $160 - 170^{\circ}$ C. The softening and melting points are determined by the nature of polymer and the way the crystallinity has been influenced during the treatment of the fibre after spinning.

# **Effect of Sunlight**

Polypropylene is attacked by atmospheric oxygen, and the reaction is stimulated by sunlight. Polypropylene fibre will deteriorate on exposure to light; this is helped by the inclusion of a UV inhibitor within the product.

#### **Chemical Resistance**

Acids – Excellent

Alkalis – Excellent

Polypropylene is inert to a wide range of chemicals. It's high crystallinity tends to make it more resistant to chemicals that degrade olefin fibres.





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