



DuPont High Performance Films

# Kapton® JP

polyimide film for forming

## Product Description

The Kapton® JP family of polyimide films has been designed to give optimum forming characteristics. JP films have higher elongations at elevated temperatures while maintaining the combination of excellent physical, electrical, and mechanical properties inherent in Kapton® HN and HA. JP polymer properties enable drawing deeper parts at lower temperatures and shorter cycle times. After forming, parts exhibit excellent shape retention and minimum shrinkage. Property comparisons are shown in **Table 1** and **Figures 1** and **2**.

## Application Examples

Parts may be formed from JP film that were previously difficult or impossible to form with Kapton® HN and HA:

- Diaphragms for automotive and heating and ventilating sensors and switches
- Speaker cones, domes, spiders, and surrounds
- Other applications including appliances, electronics, and aerospace

## Available Film Thicknesses

| Kapton® Grade | mil | µm  |
|---------------|-----|-----|
| 100JP         | 1   | 25  |
| 200JP         | 2   | 50  |
| 300JP         | 3   | 75  |
| 500JP         | 5   | 125 |

Maximum width: 48 in

**Table 1**  
**Typical Properties of Kapton® JP Polyimide Film versus Kapton® 500HA**

| Property  | 100JP          | 200JP          | 300JP                  | 500JP                  | 500HA                  | Test Method  |
|---|----------------|----------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Physical</b>   |                |                |                        |                        |                        |              |
| Ultimate Tensile Strength, kpsi<br>at 23°C (73°F)<br>at 200°C (392°F)       | 28.8<br>14.7   | 30.5<br>16.2   | 31.4<br>15.3           | 28.5<br>14.1           | 25.0<br>14.9           | ASTM D-882   |
| Yield Point at 3%, kpsi<br>at 23°C (73°F)<br>at 200°C (392°F)               | 10.9<br>5.5    | 10.6<br>5.6    | 11.4<br>4.6            | 10<br>4.2              | 9.5<br>4.8             | ASTM D-882   |
| Stress to Produce 5% Elongation, kpsi<br>at 23°C (73°F)<br>at 200°C (392°F) | 14.7<br>7.2    | 14.4<br>7.3    | 15.1<br>6.9            | 13.9<br>6.3            | 15.0<br>6.8            | ASTM D-882   |
| Ultimate Elongation, %<br>at 23°C (73°F)<br>at 200°C (392°F)                | 89<br>142      | 99<br>148      | 115<br>155             | 120<br>170             | 115<br>126             | ASTM D-882   |
| Tensile Modulus, kpsi<br>at 23°C (73°F)<br>at 200°C (392°F)                 | 412<br>205     | 410<br>220     | 405<br>188             | 370<br>173             | 400<br>204             | ASTM D-882   |
| Density, g/cc or g/mL   | 1.3973         | 1.4001         | 1.3997                 | 1.3999                 | 1.4170                 | ASTM D-1505  |
| Yield, ft <sup>2</sup> /lb  | 137.8          | 68.9           | 45.9                   | 27.6                   | 27                     |              |
| <b>Thermal</b>  |                |                |                        |                        |                        |              |
| Coefficient of Linear Expansion, ppm/C                                      | 41             | 41             | 41                     | 41                     | 47                     | ASTM D-696   |
| Specific Heat, J/g·K  | 1.21           | 1.19           | 1.23                   | 1.28                   | 1.26                   | Diff. Calor. |
| Glass Transition Temperature (T <sub>g</sub> ), C                           | 300            | 300            | 300                    | 300                    | 420                    | Diff. Calor. |
| Dimensional Stability, MD/TD<br>at 400°C (752°F)<br>at 250°C (482°F)        | —<br>0.18/0.13 | —<br>0.30/0.24 | 2.34/1.89<br>0.24/0.20 | 2.78/2.10<br>0.31/0.22 | 2.66/2.22<br>0.28/0.16 | ASTM D-5214  |
| <b>Electrical</b>   |                |                |                        |                        |                        |              |
| Dielectric Strength, V/mil  | 6870           | 5500           | 4300                   | 3500                   | 3500                   | ASTM D-149   |
| Dielectric Constant, 50% RH,<br>1 kHz at 25°C (77°F)                        | 3.34           | 3.44           | 3.46                   | 3.46                   | 3.40                   | ASTM D-150   |
| Dissipation Factor  | 0.0013         | 0.0011         | 0.0018                 | 0.0019                 | 0.0025                 | ASTM D-150   |
| <b>Chemical</b>   |                |                |                        |                        |                        |              |
| Moisture Absorption, %<br>24 hr in boiling water                            | 1.5            | 1.8            | 1.9                    | 2.1                    | 3.3                    | ASTM D-570   |

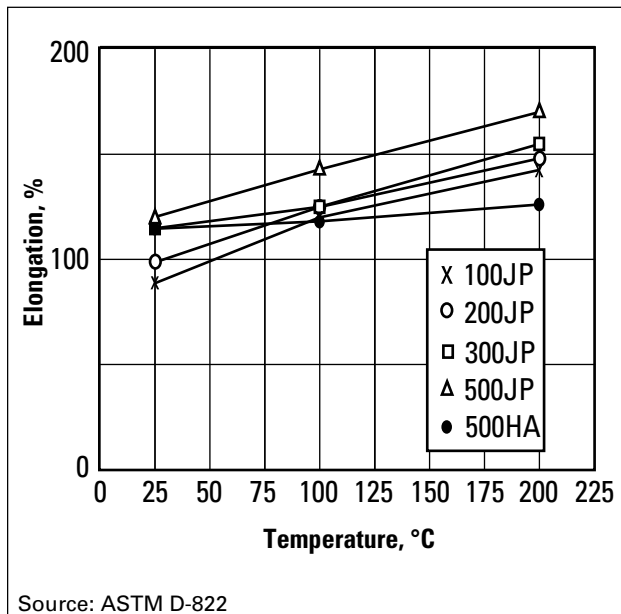
## Forming Information

JP films can be thermoformed using high temperature forming technology developed by DuPont. JP films can be formed at temperatures approximately 93°C (200°F) lower than those needed to form conventional Kapton® films such as HN and HA.

Some guidelines for forming JP films include:

- forming temperature of 280–300°C (535–570°F)
- 400–500 psi pressure
- annealing of the part

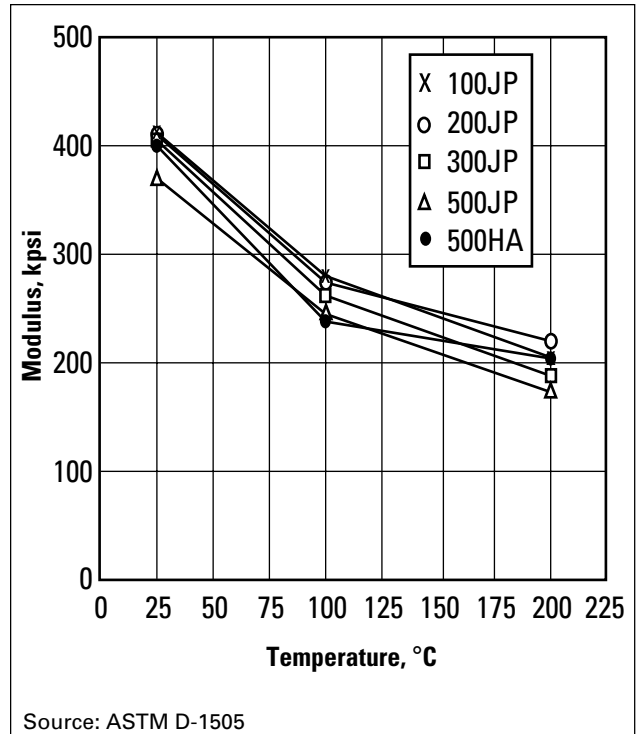
**Figure 1. Elongation of Kapton® JP Films as a Function of Temperature**



Parts formed using optimum forming conditions have shrinkage of <4% after 8 hr exposure to temperatures up to 260°C (500°F).

DuPont can provide additional forming information for specific applications if requested. DuPont has also established a list of experienced forming partners to provide parts to customers.

**Figure 2. Modulus of Kapton® JP Films as a Function of Temperature**



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