# PLASKOLITE

# OPTIX<sup>®</sup> L CONTINUOUS CAST ACRYLIC

PRODUCT GUIDE

Plaskolite sets imagination free with the high performance characteristics and beautiful aesthetics of **OPTIX L** 

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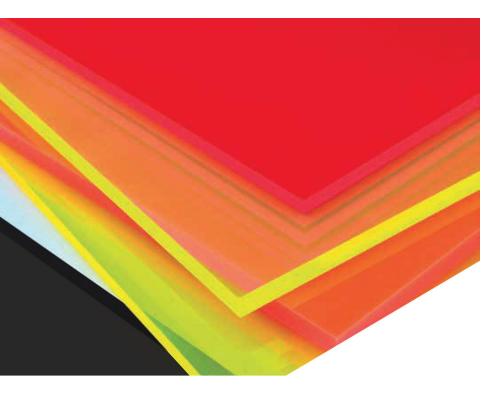
#### **OPTIX L MYST**

A chic frosted look that softly diffuses light and adds subtle elegance. This continuous cast acrylic sheet has a frost effect permanently infused throughout the sheet, which means it remains intact through any processing or fabrication techniques; simple beauty that lasts.

#### Features and Benefits

- » Permanent frost effect throughout the sheet
- » Easy to shape, form and fabricate
- » Excellent line bending and edge finishing
- » Works well with many light sources
- » More impact resistant than glass
- » Easy to clean
- » Lightweight

### **DESIGNER SERIES**



#### **OPTIX L FLUORESCENT**

Fluorescents continue as a key design trend and are a great way for designers and fabricators to inject eye-catching appeal into their work. OPTIX® L continuous cast Fluorescents combine colored, transparent sheet with fluorescent edge to have instant stand out appeal for retail display, interiors and more.

- » Vibrant transparent colors
- » Striking fluorescent edge
- » Easy to shape, form and fabricate
- » Excellent aesthetics, design versatility
- » Color retention through processing

#### **OPTIX L VARIO**

Inspired by the Tropics, our Vario continuous cast acrylic range offers six transparent colors that have become design classics. The striking live edge contrasts beautifully with the subtle surface color and provides designers unlimited versatility in their creative work.

#### Features and Benefits

- » Subtle colored transparents
- » Striking edge
- » Light and shade create visual effects
- » Versatility
- » Easy to shape, form and fabricate
- » Scratch resistant
- » Strong and durable



### **DESIGNER SERIES**

#### **OPTIX L METROPOLITAN**

Taking inspiration from the world's great cities, OPTIX L Metropolitan continuous cast acrylic combines the beautiful transparency of cast acrylic with high definition edges. The unique colored edge effect is inherent in the sheet, which means it is retained whatever the shape, fabrication method or application.

- » Excellent optical qualities
- » More impact resistant than glass
- » Easy to shape, form and fabricate
- » Easy to clean
- » Uniform thickness
- » Lightweight
- » Superior craze resistance





#### **OPTIX L BLOCK**

This cell cast acrylic is ideal for chunky, ultra bright 3D characters and features optimized light transmission properties that maximize the economic and environmental benefits of LED technology. It is easy to fabricate and can be used with white or colored LEDs, to create exciting visual communications.

#### Features and Benefits

- » Ideal for specialist, custom-designed installations
- » Optimized for LED-illuminated characters
- » Guaranteed indoor and outdoor performance
- » Constant transmitted color regardless of light source
- » Exceptional bright, clean light aesthetics
- » Lightweight

\*Product not manufactured by Plaskolite

# **ILLUMINATIONS SERIES**



#### **OPTIX L EDGE LIT**

Developed specifically for edge lit applications including lighting and signage, our Edge Lit continuous cast acrylic is formulated with evenly dispersed illuminating particles to provide bright, even illumination. Suitable for use with LEDs, fluorescent and cold cathode light sources.

- » Brighter, slimmer and lighter
- » Single or double sided applications
- » Suitable for indoor and outdoor use
- » Energy efficient and even illumination
- » ADA compliant (< 2" deep)
- » Only USA manufacturer of continuous cast product for Edge Lit applications

#### **OPTIX L B/W**

Black/White can illuminate in a variety of colors based on the color of the LEDs used; for example, the signage will be black in daylight and not illuminated. When illuminated, other colors become visible depending upon the LED's that are being used, allowing the design to illuminate in colors from white to red.

Features and Benefits

- » Unique formulation displays your message when backlit – without the use of overlays or vinyl
- » Continuous cast acrylic
- » Smooth gloss finish
- » Indoor or outdoor applications
- » Made exclusively with Lucite<sup>®</sup> monomer
- » Manufactured in the USA



### **ILLUMINATIONS SERIES**



#### **OPTIX L MUSEUM GRADE**

Developed for exacting standards in museum applications, this continuous cast acrylic filters out 98% of harmful UV, which causes fading and decomposition of exhibits. For maximum protection and optimum clarity, UV light between 200-400nm wavelength must be blocked while visible light between 400-700 must be allowed through.

#### Features and Benefits

- » Excellent optical quality and clarity
- » Meets demanding museum standards
- » No black specks GUARANTEED
- » More impact resistant than glass
- » Allows for easy fabrication and fitting
- » Superior craze resistance
- » Lightweight and easy to clean
- » Uniform thickness

### **SPECIALTY SERIES**



#### **OPTIX L FRAME GRADE**

With 100% guarantee for zero black speck contamination in frame applications, continuous cast acrylic is the ideal choice. OPTIX L Frame Grade is easy to clean and offers superior craze and chemical resistance. It is available in thicknesses from 0.090" – 0.220" and in a wide range of sheet sizes.

- » Highest clarity
- » No black specks GUARANTEED
- » Meets demanding museum standards
- » Easy fabrication and fitting
- » interior or exterior applications
- » Provides framing solutions for homes, museums, public buildings and private showcases

#### **OPTIX L ECOSHADE**

A revolutionary product, EcoShade is a continuous cast acrylic sheet featuring innovative components distributed uniformly throughout the material to permanently reduce heat transmitted through windows and skylights during summer months and heat lost during winter.

#### Features and Benefits

- » Reflects >75% of IR radiation in sunlight
- » Lowers energy costs
- » Protects furniture from fading
- » Iridescent color effect for excellent aesthetics
- » Designer and architect preferred
- » Unique sheet component for long-life performance



### **SPECIALTY SERIES**

#### **OPTIX L UTRAN**

Designed to transmit UV-A and UV-B light used in many applications, from medical treatment to sun tanning equipment and greenhouses, our Utran continuous cast acrylic sheet is transparent to UV light and provides the superior quality, durability and clarity needed for these applications.

- Features and Benefits
- » 92% UV transmission
- » Withstands heavy-duty, continuous use
- » More impact resistant than glass
- » Easy to shape, form, fabricate and fit
- » Smooth, glossy surface
- » Warm to the touch
- » Easy to clean





#### **OPTIX L CLEAR**

Our continuous cast clear acrylic sheet products are high in molecular weight and combine excellent aesthetics with outstanding performance characteristics. These characteristics give designers and fabricators the ultimate flexibility. We now offer OPTIX L Clear in standard and extra thick options.

#### Features and Benefits

- » Excellent optical clarity
- » Exceptional UV stability
- » Superior craze resistance
- » Resists surface marks and scratching
- » Easy to shape, form and fabricate
- » Uniform thickness

### **STANDARD SERIES**



#### **OPTIX L COLORS**

Our continuous cast colored acrylic sheet products are high in molecular weight and combine beautiful color options with outstanding performance qualities. As well as standard colors, we offer a color matching service to meet any design specification

- » Rich, long-lasting color
- » Exceptional UV stability
- » Superior craze resistance
- » Resists surface marks and scratching
- » Easy to shape, form and fabricate
- » Uniform thickness

### **PRODUCT APPLICATIONS**

	MYST	FLUORESCENT	VARIO	METROPOLITAN	BLOCK	EDGE LIT	MUSEUM GRADE	FRAME GRADE	ECOSHADE	UTRAN	CLEAR	COLORS
Advertising display	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•
Antimicrobial protection											•	•
Architecture	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
Art / Design	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•
Automotive				•		•						
Cabinets	•	•	•	•		•	•		•		•	•
Corporate identity	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•	•
Cosmetics display	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•
Exhibitions / Tradeshows	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Furniture / Accessories	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•	•
Hospitality	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•
Interior design	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•
Lighting	•	•	•	•	•	•			•		•	•
Medical	•	•	•	•		•			•		•	•
Museum display	•		•								•	•
Non-military aviation											•	•
Nursery - furniture / accessories	•	•	•	•		•	•		•		•	•
POP display / Store fixtures	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Safety shields	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Screens / Monitors						•					•	•
Signage - way finding / directional	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•	•
Skylights / Windows	•								•	•	•	•
Solid surfaces	•	•	•	•		•			•		•	•
Sound barriers											•	•
Windshields				•							•	•

# **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

Typical Properties							
Property Test Method	Units Value	es					
PHYSICAL							
Specific Gravity	ASTM D792	-	1.19				
Optical Refractive Index	ASTM D542	-	1.49				
Light Transmission- total	ASTM D1003	%	92				
Light Transmission- haze	ASTM D1003	%	<1				
Water Absorption	ASTM D570	%	0.2				
MECHANICAL							
Tensile Strength	ASTM D638	psi	11,000				
Tensile Modulus of Elasticity	ASTM D638	psi	465,000				
Flexural Strength	ASTM D790	psi	14,700				
Flexural Modulus of Elasticity	ASTM D790	psi	461,000				
Izod Impact Strength - Milled Notch	ASTM D256	ft-lb./in	0.32				
Compressive Strength	ASTM D 695	psi	83,300				
Shear Strength	ASTM D732	psi	11,200				
Rockwell hardness	ASTM D785	-	M-100				
THERMAL							
Maximum Recommended							
Continuous Service Temperature	-	°F	175				
Deflection Temperature @ 264 psi (1.8 MPa)	ASTM D648	°F	200				
Coefficient of Linear Thermal Expansion	ASTM D696	in/in/°F	3.5 x 10 <sup>-5</sup>				
Thermal Conductivity	ASTM C177	Btu-ft/ft²/hr/°F	0.12				
Flammability (Burning Rate)	ASTM D635	In/min	1.18				
Flammability	UL 94	-	НВ				
Smoke Density Rating	ASTM D2843	%	13.5				
Self-Ignition Temperature	ASTM D1929	°F	750				
Flame Spread Index	ASTM E84	-	110				
Smoke Developed Index	ASTM E84	-	530				
ELECTRICAL							
Dielectric Constant @ 1 KHz	ASTM D150	-	3.0				
Dielectric Constant @ 1 MHz	ASTM D150	-	2.7				
Dielectric Strength	ASTM D149	V/mil	354				
Volume Resistivity	ASTM D257	Ohms/cm	>3.91 x 10 <sup>15</sup>				

### PLASKOLITE a global leader in the production of thermoplastic sheet

#### FOUNDED IN 1950

Our Mission: to deliver superior thermoplastic sheet, coatings and polymers to the world, through long-lasting customer relationships and hands-on customer service.

#### MANUFACTURING LOCATIONS



From our founding, PLASKOLITE strives to treat our employees, our customers, our community and the world, with kindness, dignity and respect. This drives our continuing effort to create sustainable products, in a sustainable manner, for future generations. This on-going commitment is expressed in the

PLASKOLITE Sustainable Ecosystem:

#### **QUICK FACTS**

STATUS: Privately held

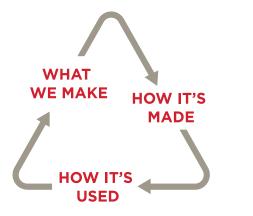
GLOBAL HEADQUARTERS: Columbus, OH

EMPLOYEES: 1900 Worldwide

**MARKETS SERVED:** Signage, Lighting, Retail Display, Construction, Transportation, Security, Bath & Spa, Industrial, Architecture, Green Houses

### OUR PILLARS OF SUSTAINABILITY

#### EACH CONTRIBUTES TO MAKING THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE



WHAT WE MAKE	Versatile, high-quality, durable thermoplastic materialsnot single-use plastics
HOW IT'S MADE	How we make our products reflects our overall philosophy of continuous environmental improvement
HOW IT'S USED	Our thermoplastics play an important role in advancing human well-being, energy conservation and quality of life

These suggestions and data are based on information we believe to be reliable. They are offered in good faith, but without guarantee, as conditions and methods of use are beyond our control. We recommend that the prospective user determines the suitability of our materials and suggestions before adopting them on a commercial scale.

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