

# PLANT FIBERS FOR RUBBER APPLICATIONS

Plant-based fibers are valuble functional additives to enhance the performance of rubber formulations. From tennis-balls over gaskets to v-belts.













Improved friction - V-belts

reduced noise - V-belts

reinforced cord layer - tooth belts

reinforced walls - hoses

reinforced gaskets

## Rubber Compounds - EPDM | NBR | SBR | NR | BR

Natural based fibers and particles are used since decades in different rubber applications. Short cellulose fibers and particles enhance transmission belts due to friction as well as noise reduction and stabilize the essential cord layer during production. Defined wood particles in tennis ball and shoes tune the density, have a damping effect and help with smell removal. Meanwhile, gaskets and tubes can be reinforced with longer virgin and recycled cellulose fibers. All while increasing the bio-based content.

## **Applications**

Transmission belts | gaskets | shoe soles | hoses | additive carrier | shaft sealing rings | tennis balls | sealants | rubber flooring | rubber dispersions

# **Product Use**

Case 1: Transmission belts



Rubber: EPDM, NBR, SBR

Additive: ARBOCEL®
BE-600-10-TG
ARBOCEL®
FD-600-30

Parts: 50 phr

Processing

method: Calander

Case 2: Gaskets



Rubber: NBR, SBR

Additive: ARBOCEL®

FD-600-30 ARBOCEL®

Parts: 50-100 phr

Processing

method: Calander



#### **Product Use**

### Case 3: Tennis ball



Rubber: NR/BR/SBR

Additive: ARBOCEL® C-750-FP

Parts: 30 phr

Processing

method: Calander

Case 4: Rubber Sealants



Rubber: various

Additive: VIVAPUR® ALGINATE

Parts: 0-2%

(rheology additive)

Processing method:

od: Stirrer

#### **Product Selection**

Overview	μm	
Native cellulose (hard wood)		
BE-600-10-TG	18	
BE-600-30	30	
B-600	60	
BWW-40	200	
B-400	900	
Native cellulose (soft wood)		
FIF-400	2000	
Native cellulose (cotton)		
BSCH-750-D	650	
Off-white cellulose / technical grades		
FD-600-30	45	
FD-00	150	
FD-40	250	
FIC-500-P	600	
W-8	1300	
Grey cellulose fibers / technical grades		
ZZ-8-1-G	1000	
Wood fibers (soft wood)		
C-750-FP	70	
C-100	100	
C-320	300	