

AKAFLEX® KCL RA HT:

Copper laminates on a polyimide-film backing for flexible printed circuits

The AKALEX® KCL RA HT programme

AKAFLEX KCL RA HT is available from KREMPEL as

- ✓ two-layer laminates and
- ✓ three-layer laminates.

Polyimide film (PI) is used as the backing material for the copper. This is laminated with rolled-annealed (RA) copper foil on one or both sides. A modified epoxy system characterised by very good temperature stability has been developed for the HT product family. In combination with polyimide film, the bonding system used here reaches a temperature index per UL 796 of 150 °C. AKALEX KCL HT is **halogen-free** and meets the requirements of **UL 94V-0** for **flame retardance**. The material is compatible with all soldering processes and suitable for surface mounting techniques.

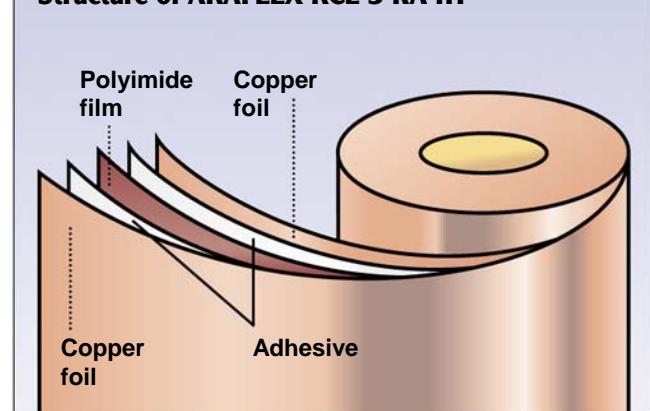
Designation for a two-layer laminate

AKAFLEX KCL 2-XX/XX RA HT		
Two-layer laminate with PI film		
Thickness of copper foil, in µm		
Thickness of the polyimide film, in µm		
Laminate with rolled-annealed copper foil		
High temperature HT adhesive		
e.g.: AKALEX KCL 2-35/25 RA HT		

Designation for a three-layer laminate

AKAFLEX KCL 3-XX/XX RA HT		
Two-layer laminate with PI film		
Thickness of copper foil, in µm		
Thickness of the polyimide film, in µm		
Laminate with rolled-annealed copper foil		
High temperature HT adhesive		
e.g.: AKALEX KCL 3-17/25 RA HT		

Structure of AKALEX KCL 3 RA HT



Standard types of AKALEX® KCL RA HT

Standard type designation	Thickness of copper foil	Thickness of polyimide film
Two-layer laminates		
KCL 2-17/25 RA HT	17 µm	25 µm
KCL 2-35/25 RA HT*	35 µm	25 µm
KCL 2-35/50 RA HT	35 µm	50 µm
Three-layer laminates		
KCL 3-17/12 RA HT*	17 µm	12 µm
KCL 3-17/25 RA HT	17 µm	25 µm
KCL 3-35/25 RA HT	35 µm	25 µm

*Data being developed

Other types
on request

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Processing AKALEX® KCL RA HT

AKAFLEX KCL RA HT can be processed »reel to reel« by screen-printing or photolithography and the standard etching and cleaning techniques. The technical advantages in manufacturing are assured in this way.

A comprehensive range of **coverlays** for **mechanical protection** of the etched circuits is available from KREMPPEL. Diverse **bonding films** are also available for manufacturing **multilayer** circuits.

We use modified **epoxy-resin adhesives** only. This means that no special plasma treatment is necessary in the manufacture of flexible multilayer circuits.



Quality assurance

All AKALEX products are subject to the procedures of on-going quality control as defined in the Quality Assurance Handbook of August Krempel Soehne. This quality assurance system is certified as meeting the requirements of ISO 9001 and ISO/TS 16949. For AKALEX KCL RA HT, testing is performed on the master reels according to the methods of IPC-TM 650. The test results are evaluated in accordance with IPC-4204/2. The AKALEX KCL HT types also have UL 94V-0 recognition.

Certified according
to ISO 9001,
ISO/TS 16949
and UL 94V-0

Availability of AKALEX® KCL RA HT

- Standard reel width:**
610 mm, 500 mm or 305 mm;
other widths on request
- Standard reel length:**
100 m;
other lengths on request
- Format:**
As requested by the customer
- Packaging:**
Reels suspended in robust corrugated-cardboard cartons
- Standard cores:**
Inside diameter 76 mm
- Certificate:**
Test certificate according to EN 10 204 - 2.2



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Technical data for AKALEX® KCL 2-17/25 RA HT

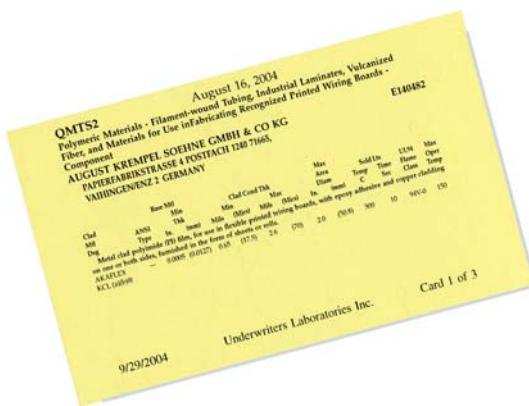
17 µm rolled annealed copper foil / 25 µm polyimide film

halogenfree

Laminate properties	Test method IPC-TM 650	IPC-4204/2 May 2002	Typical values			
Peel strength						
- as delivered	2.4.9	> 0.7	> 1.5	N/mm	> 8.6	lb/in
- after solder dip	2.4.9	> 0.525	> 1.25	N/mm	> 7.1	lb/in
- after temperature cycling	2.4.9	> 0.7	> 1.3	N/mm	> 7.4	lb/in
Tensile strength	2.4.19	> 165	> 165	N/mm ²	>23.9x10 ³	psi
Failure strain	2.4.19	> 25	> 45	%	> 45	%
Initial tear strength	2.4.16	> 5	> 5	N	> 17.6	oz
Flexural strength	2.4.3 Equipment per 2.4.3.1 Test mandrel d=2 mm	N/A	> 2000	cycles	> 2000	cycles
Dimensional stability (after etching and 30 min. at 150 °C)	2.2.4 Method C	< 0.2	0.08	%	0.08	%
Solder-bath stability at 260 °C	2.4.13 A	N/A	N/A	sec	N/A	sec
at 288 °C	2.4.13 B	> 10	> 180	sec	> 180	sec
at 300 °C	2.4.13 B	--	> 30	sec	> 30	sec
Solder-bath stability at 260 °C without pre-drying	2.4.13 72h at 65%rh	--	> 10	sec	> 10	sec
Temperature index	UL 796	DBD	150	°C	300	°F
CTI (Comparative Tracking Index)	DIN IEC 60112	--	175	--	175	--
Dissipation factor (at 1 MHz)	ASTM D 150	< 0.04	< 0.03	--	< 0.03	--

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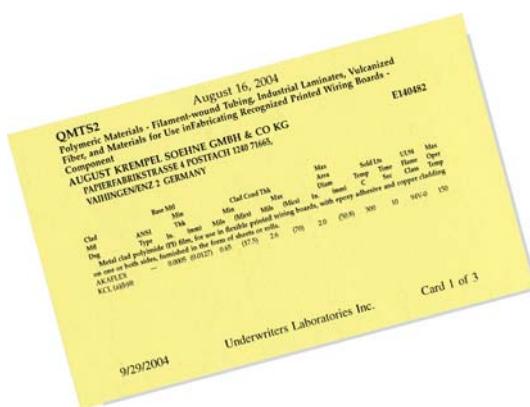
35 µm rolled annealed copper foil / 50 µm polyimide film

halogenfree

Laminate properties	Test method IPC-TM 650	IPC-4204/2 May 2002	Typical values			
Peel strength						
- as delivered	2.4.9	> 0.7	> 1.5	N/mm	> 8.6	lb/in
- after solder dip	2.4.9	> 0.525	> 1.25	N/mm	> 7.1	lb/in
- after temperature cycling	2.4.9	> 0.7	> 1.3	N/mm	> 7.4	lb/in
Tensile strength	2.4.19	> 165	> 165	N/mm ²	>23.9x10 ³	psi
Failure strain	2.4.19	> 25	> 45	%	> 45	%
Initial tear strength	2.4.16	> 5	> 5	N	> 17.6	oz
Flexural strength	2.4.3 Equipment per 2.4.3.1 Test mandrel d=2 mm	N/A	> 1000	cycles	> 1000	cycles
Dimensional stability (after etching and 30 min. at 150 °C)	2.2.4 Method C	< 0.2	0.1	%	0.1	%
Solder-bath stability at 260 °C	2.4.13 A	N/A	N/A	sec	N/A	sec
at 288 °C	2.4.13 B	> 10	> 180	sec	> 180	sec
at 300 °C	2.4.13 B	--	> 30	sec	> 30	sec
Solder-bath stability at 260 °C without pre-drying	2.4.13 72h at 65%rh	--	> 10	sec	> 10	sec
Temperature index	UL 796	DBD	150	°C	300	°F
CTI (Comparative Tracking Index)	DIN IEC 60112	--	175	--	175	--
Dissipation factor (at 1 MHz)	ASTM D 150	< 0.04	< 0.03	--	< 0.03	--

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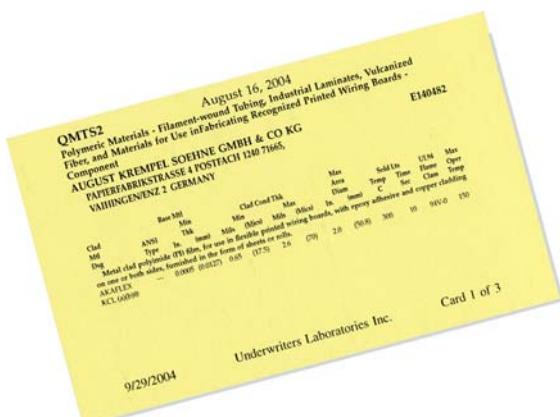
**17 µm rolled annealed copper foil / 25 µm polyimide film /
17 µm rolled annealed copper foil**

halogenfree

Laminate properties	Test method IPC-TM 650	IPC-4204/2 May 2002	Typical values			
Peel strength						
- as delivered	2.4.9 B	> 0.7	> 1.3	N/mm	> 7.4	lb/in
- after solder dip	2.4.9 D	> 0.525	> 1.25	N/mm	> 7.1	lb/in
- after temperature cycling	2.4.9 F	> 0.7	> 1.3	N/mm	> 7.4	lb/in
Tensile strength	2.4.19	> 165	> 165	N/mm ²	>23.9x10 ³	psi
Failure strain	2.4.19	> 25	> 45	%	> 45	%
Initial tear strength	2.4.16	> 5	> 5	N	> 17.6	oz
Flexural strength	2.4.3 Equipment per 2.4.3.1 Test mandrel d=2 mm	N/A	> 100	cycles	> 100	cycles
Dimensional stability (after etching and 30 min. at 150 °C/300°F)	2.2.4 Method C	< 0.2	0.08	%	0.08	%
Solder-bath stability at 260 °C	2.4.13 A	N/A	N/A	sec	N/A	sec
at 288 °C	2.4.13 B	> 10	> 180	sec	> 180	sec
at 300 °C	2.4.13 B	--	> 100	sec	> 100	sec
Solder-bath stability at 260 °C without pre-drying	2.4.13 72h at 65%rh	--	> 10	sec	> 10	sec
Temperature index	UL 796	DBD	150	°C	300	°F
CTI (Comparative Tracking Index)	DIN IEC 60112	--	175	--	175	--
Dissipation factor (at 1 MHz)	ASTM D-150	< 0.04	< 0.03	--	< 0.03	--

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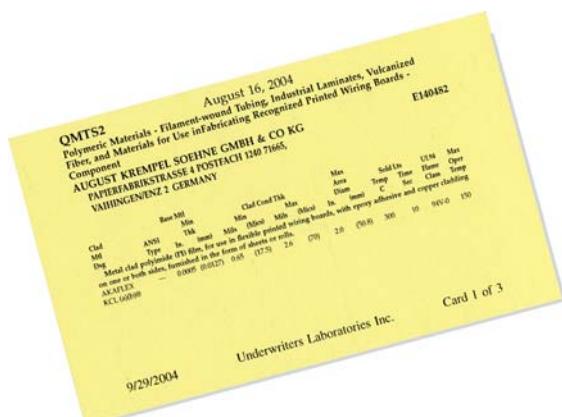
**35 µm rolled annealed copper foil / 25 µm polyimide film /
35 µm rolled annealed copper foil**

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Laminate properties	Test method IPC-TM 650	IPC-4204/2 May 2002	Typical values			
Peel strength						
- as delivered	2.4.9 B	> 0.7	> 1.5	N/mm	> 8.6	lb/in
- after solder dip	2.4.9 D	> 0.525	> 1.25	N/mm	> 7.1	lb/in
- after temperature cycling	2.4.9 F	> 0.7	> 1.3	N/mm	> 7.4	lb/in
Tensile strength	2.4.19	> 165	> 165	N/mm ²	>23.9x10 ³	psi
Failure strain	2.4.19	> 25	> 45	%	> 45	%
Initial tear strength	2.4.16	> 5	> 5	N	> 17.6	oz
Flexural strength	2.4.3 Equipment per 2.4.3.1 Test mandrel d=2 mm	N/A	> 50	cycles	> 50	cycles
Dimensional stability (after etching and 30 min. at 150 °C/300°F)	2.2.4 Method C	< 0.2	0.06	%	0.06	%
Solder-bath stability at 260 °C	2.4.13 A	N/A	N/A	sec	N/A	sec
at 288 °C	2.4.13 B	> 10	> 180	sec	> 180	sec
at 300 °C	2.4.13 B	--	> 100	sec	> 100	sec
Solder-bath stability at 260 °C without pre-drying	2.4.13 72h at 65%rh	--	> 10	sec	> 10	sec
Temperature index	UL 796	DBD	150	°C	300	°F
CTI (Comparative Tracking Index)	DIN IEC 60112	--	175	--	175	--
Dissipation factor (at 1 MHz)	ASTM D-150	< 0.04	< 0.03	--	< 0.03	--

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