

## Press Release

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### Safe and clean water with TPE solutions

For water dispenser applications, global TPE manufacturer of thermoplastic elastomer products and custom solutions for a variety of industries, KRAIBURG TPE, offers its THERMOLAST® K DW/H series of compounds to ensure consistently safe and clean water.

Clean water is an absolute necessity for daily life and survival and there is no doubt that the availability of safe drinking water is a global concern.

Water distribution systems made of contact-safe materials are essential for providing water that is free of toxic substances, chemicals, microplastics, and other contaminants, for drinking, cooking, and general hygiene purposes.

As such, water dispensers play an important role in delivering clean and safe water to homes, offices, and other private and public places because they are portable, simple to install, and require little maintenance.

Advanced materials, such as thermoplastic elastomers (TPEs), are widely used in the manufacture of water dispenser parts and components to ensure that they always dispense clean water.

KRAIBURG TPE, a global TPE manufacturer of thermoplastic elastomer products and custom solutions for a variety of industries, provides high-quality, custom-engineered TPE compounds such as the THERMOLAST® K DW/H series that meets safety criteria and

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has the mechanical properties required for appliances such as water dispensers.

### **Superior material for water dispenser parts**

KRAIBURG TPE's THERMOLAST® K DW/H series is designed for use in products such as flexible tubes for water dispensers, as well as water outlet connectors, such as tubes and hoses, elastomer pipe fittings, couplings, flexible pipe fittings, plumbing manifolds, and other similar applications that come into direct or indirect contact with drinking water.

The DW/H series of compounds feature a low kinking tendency, thus allowing for use on accessories like shower hoses, kitchen hoses, water tap hoses in bathrooms, and related applications.

### **Tested and approved for safety of use**

KRAIBURG TPE's plasticizer-free THERMOLAST® K DW/H series makes it a viable alternative to PVC-P in drinking water applications.

It has also been certified in accordance to DVGW Arbeitsblatt W270, KTW, ACS (DGS/VS4 n° 200/232), WRAS: BS6920-1:2000 and/or 2014 cold water (23°C) & WRAS: BS6920-1:2000 and/or 2014 warm water (60°C).

Additionally, even without the use of biocides, it provides a surface with low sensitivity to dirt and microbial resistance.

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### **Advantage-driven solution for manufacturers**

KRAIBURG TPE's THERMOLAST® K DW/H series of compounds can be processed by injection molding or extrusion and has good adhesion to PP, with hardness ranging from 55 to 85 Shore A, making it an appropriate solution for water drinking applications.

Furthermore, the series is available in translucent color and can be custom-colored with a compliance certificate.

### **Sustainability successes of our TPE**

Besides the water dispenser applications, KRAIBURG TPE's recent sustainability innovations include a specially developed material solution for automotive, consumer and industry applications comprising post-consumer recycled (PCR) and post-industrial recycled (PIR) content.

Are you looking for a sustainable TPE solution? [Talk to us!](#)

Our experts are happy to answer any questions you have, as well as to offer the right solution for your application.

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