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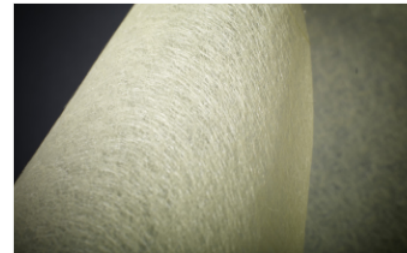
## Aramid Veil

**Optiveil®** is a customisable range of highly porous nonwoven veils which are produced from short chopped engineered fibres. These materials have been specifically developed for use in advanced composite structures and are used in a variety of industries worldwide, including aerospace, defence, automotive, construction, industrial, consumer electronics and energy.

The key benefits of **Optiveil®** nonwovens include; excellent resin uptake, tuneable properties and exceptionally even fibre distribution. This makes **Optiveil®** the ideal candidate for providing a high quality surface finish and effective surface engineering of composites, as well as aiding fabrication through acting as a lightweight support or carrier.

### MATERIAL COMPOSITION

**Description:** Wet-laid nonwoven aramid fibre veil  
**Fibre Type:** Aramid  
**Fibre Length:** 12 mm / 0.5"  
**Binder Type:** Cross-linked polyester



### MATERIAL PROPERTIES

Areal Weight	<b>g/m<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>14</b>	<b>26</b>
	oz/yd <sup>2</sup>	0.41	0.77
Thickness at 10 kPa/(1.45lb/in <sup>2</sup> )	mm	0.23	0.28
	mil	9.1	11.0
MD Tensile Strength	N/15mm	24.0	35.0
	lb/in	9.1	13.3
CD Tensile Strength	N/15mm	12.0	10.0
	lb/in	4.5	3.8

If a higher areal weight is required TFP also offers **Optimat®**, a range of nonwoven mats of 35 g/m<sup>2</sup> and above.

The data in the table represents indicative values only. The user must be satisfied that the product is entirely suitable for the intended application.

\*Surface resistivity is measured using a Vermason 75mm square contact block. The contact block is placed on a sample measuring 10cm x 10cm and a 1.0kg deadweight is loaded centrally on top of the contact block assembly.



## MATERIAL SUPPLY

Supply Form		Rolls
Max Roll Width	mm	1650
Min Roll Width	mm	10
Other supply forms		Sheets and cut shapes



TFP also offers in-house lamination and powder scatter capability, providing further ways to add value to **Optiveil®** materials. These include:

- **Production of hybrid (multi-layer) materials**, for example, a nonwoven can be combined with a reinforcement, or a structure consisting of alternating conductive and dielectric layers produced. These materials offer potential to simplify part fabrication and assembly or provide unique function.
- **Application of pressure sensitive adhesive (PSA)** to nonwovens.
- **Production of surface coated materials** through powder scatter application of polymeric and active powders to the material surface.
- **Compression** of the nonwoven to deliver up to a 50% reduction in thickness with improved drape and flexibility.

## MATERIAL USE

**Optiveil®** is compatible with all common resin systems and fabrication techniques. The broad choice of nonwovens offered can enable composite compatibility via matching of the fibre coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE) with that of the underlying reinforcement, whilst polymer binder can be selected to suit the resin system in use and meet processing requirements.

Process Compatibility	Suitable for all common composite manufacturing techniques including RTM, RIM, compression moulding, filament winding, hand lay-up, vacuum infusion and pultrusion
Key Properties	Abrasion resistance, dielectric, high temperature resistance and high thermal stability
Typical Applications	Imparting superior wear resistance to the surface of high speed industrial rollers, friction substrate for brake and transmission systems, adhesive carriers or supports, surfacing veil to deliver resin rich surface finish with improved wear resistance and thermal stability

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