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(54) Title: CARBONATE POLYMER RESINS CONTAINING LOW VOLATILITY AROMATIC PHOSPHATE ESTER COMPOUNDS**(57) Abstract**

Disclosed is a carbonate polymer composition comprising (a) a carbonate polymer having a weight average molecular weight of from 20,000 to 40,000 and (b) from greater than 0.1 to less than 1.0 weight percent (based on carbonate polymer composition weight) low volatility aromatic phosphate ester compound, and optionally (c) from 0.001 to 0.1 weight percent (based on carbonate polymer compositions weight) of an alkali metal salt having a pH of at least 7. Preferably the low volatility aromatic phosphate ester is selected from the group of aromatic phosphate ester oligomer compounds or haloaryl phosphate compounds. It has been found to be preferable to use a low volatility aromatic phosphate ester which experiences a weight loss of no more than 5 weight percent at 250 °C when heated to a temperature of 500 °C in a thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) at a heating rate of 20 °C per minute, more preferably no more than 40 percent at 300 °C. It has been found that these compositions surprisingly achieve the Underwriters Laboratory (UL-94) V-2 rating without significantly sacrificing the otherwise good combinations of properties of carbonate polymer resins. In extruded sheet applications, it has been found preferable to include the optional basic alkali metal salt to attain the V-2 rating.