

Efka® PX 4310

Product description

high-molecular-weight dispersing agent

Efka® PX 4310 is made by the Controlled Free Radical Polymerization (CFRP) technology, which allows producing polymeric dispersants with defined polymer architecture and a low poly-dispersity index. Efka® PX 4310 is suitable for industrial and automotive coatings.

Key benefits

- high efficiency in stabilizing pigments
- broad compatibility with many solvent-based resin systems
- improves color development with organic pigments
- highly suitable for optimum dispersion of carbon blacks
- viscosity reduction at high pigment concentration in the grinding stage results in excellent gloss of the final coating
- ideally suited for use in Resin-Free Pigment Concentrates (RFPC)

Chemical nature

acrylic block copolymer in 1-methoxy-2-propylacetate

Properties

Physical form

clear, slightly orange to amber liquid

Technical data

(not supply specification)

Density at 20 °C (68 °F)	~ 1.04 g/cm³
Active ingredients	~ 50 %
Amin value	~ 20 mg KOH/g
Color (Gardener)	<= 12

Application

Efka® PX 4310 is highly suitable to be used in Resin-Free Pigment Concentrates (RFPC) for a wide range of solvent-based industrial and automotive coatings.

Decorative coatings	Industrial Coatings	Automotive coatings
Not suitable	Solvent-based 2-pack PUR	OEM: acrylic/melamine
	Solvent-based 2-pack acrylics	OEM: polyester/melamine
	Solvent-based polyester	Refinish: 2-pack PUR

Efka® PX 4310 can also be used as a single dispersant for direct grinding of the pigments or in Resin-Containing Pigment Concentrates (RCPC).

Efka® PX 4310 has an improved compatibility to resins commonly used for coil coatings (polyester/melamine formaldehyde) and plastic coatings (high- and low-Tg thermoplastic acrylics).

Guideline formulations for resin-free pigment concentrates (RFPC):

	Irgazin [®] Yellow L 2060	Special Black 4 Evonik	Bayferrox ^{®1} 140 M Lanxess
Colour Index (Pigment)	Yellow 110	Black 7	Red 101
Efka® PX 4310	7.20	19.20	7.80
Butyl glycol	62.80	55.80	27.20
Pigment	30.00	25.00	65.00
	100.00	100.00	100.00

The addition levels are recommended for starting formulations. For optimum results a ladder study should be performed in the customer specific binder formulation.

Recommended concentrations

Calculation method to estimate the minimum required amount of active dispersant on pigment:

Inorganic pigments	10 – 15 % on oil absorption value
Organic pigments (green, blue, violet)	15 – 30 % on BET value
Organic pigments (Yellow, orange, red)	15 – 45 % on BET value
Carbon blacks (LCF)	15 – 20 % on DBP value
Carbon blacks (HCC)	40 – 50 % on DBP value

Efka® PX 4310 should be incorporated in the mill base before adding the pigments.

Storage

Efka® PX 4310 should be stored in a dry and cool place.

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Validity

This Technical Data Sheet is valid for all versions of the Efka® PX 4310.

Safety

When handling this product, please comply with the advice and information given in the safety data sheet and observe protective and workplace hygiene measures adequate for handling chemicals.

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