

# Efka<sup>®</sup> PU 4009

## Product description

High-molecular weight dispersing agent

Efka<sup>®</sup> PU 4009 is a polymeric dispersant for inorganic and organic pigments. This results in:

- Reduced dispersing time
- Improved gloss
- Prevention of flooding and floating
- High color strength

Due to its particularly good combination of price and performance, Efka<sup>®</sup> PU 4009 is a very attractive substitute for conventional wetting and dispersing agents.

## Chemical nature

Modified polyurethane

---

## Properties

### Physical form

Clear yellowish liquid

### Technical data

(not supply specification)

| Solvent       | Butyl acetate / methoxypropyl acetate / 2-butanol |                               |
|---------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Density       | (20 °C)   | 1.00 – 1.02 g/cm <sup>3</sup> |
| Solid content | (1h at 120 °C)                                    | 59.0 – 61.0 %                 |
| Flash point   |   | 24 °C                         |
| Acid value    | (20 °C)   | 10 – 17 mg KOH/g              |
| Amine value   | (20 °C)   | 8 – 15 mg KOH/g               |
| Color number  | Gardner<br>(20 °C)                                | ≤ 5                           |

## Application

Efka® PU 4009 was developed for use in universal solvent-based pigment concentrates, particularly where cost-effective performance is vital. It can also be used as a general dispersing agent for all solvent-based paints from high-performance industrial coatings to decorative paints.

## Recommended concentrations

Calculation method for the required amount of active ingredient on pigment:

|                    |                              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Inorganic pigments | 10 % of oil absorption value |
| Organic pigments   | 25 – 50 % of BET value       |
| Carbon blacks      | 20 % of DBP absorption value |

Efka® PU 4009 should be incorporated in the mill base before adding the pigments.

## Storage

Efka® PU 4009 may partially solidify when stored below 10 °C. Heat to 35 – 40 °C to reliquify.

### Contacts worldwide

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Asia<br>BASF East Asia Regional Headquarters Limited<br>36/F, Two Taikoo Place,<br>Taikoo Place,<br>979 King's Road,<br>Quarry Bay, Hong Kong<br><a href="mailto:formulation-additives-asia@basf.com">formulation-additives-asia@basf.com</a> | North America<br>BASF Corporation<br>11501 Steele Creek Road<br>Charlotte, NC 28273<br>USA<br><a href="mailto:formulation-additives-nafta@basf.com">formulation-additives-nafta@basf.com</a>  |
| Europe<br>BASF SE<br>Formulation Additives<br>67056 Ludwigshafen<br>Germany<br><a href="mailto:formulation-additives-europe@basf.com">formulation-additives-europe@basf.com</a>   | South America<br>BASF S.A<br>Rochaverá - Crystal Tower<br>Av. das Nações Unidas, 14.171<br>Morumbi - São Paulo-SP<br>Brazil<br><a href="mailto:formulation-additives-south-america@basf.com">formulation-additives-south-america@basf.com</a> |

### Validity

This Technical Data Sheet is valid for all versions of the Efka® PU 4009.

### 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.

### Note

The data contained in this publication are based on our current knowledge and experience. In view of the many factors that may affect processing and application of our product, these data do not relieve processors from carrying out their own investigations and tests; neither do these data imply any guarantee of certain properties, nor the suitability of the product for a specific purpose. Any descriptions, drawings, photographs, data, proportions, weights, etc. given herein may change without prior information and do not constitute the agreed contractual quality of the product. The agreed contractual quality of the product results exclusively from the statements made in the product specification. It is the responsibility of the recipient of our product to ensure that any proprietary rights and existing laws and legislation are observed.

® = Registered trademark  
™ = Trademark of the BASF Group, unless otherwise noted

www.basf.com/formulation-additives