

# Attagel® 40

Attagel 40 is an inert powdered gelling grade of attapulgite. It is finely pulverized to effectively form colloidal gels in ionic and non-ionic aqueous solutions to provide thixotropic thickening and suspension.

**Chemical Composition** 

(Mg,AI)<sub>5</sub>Si<sub>8</sub>O<sub>20</sub>.4H<sub>2</sub>O

	Properties		
Typical Properties	pH (DI Water)		9.8
	Bulk Density (loose)	lbs/ft³	30
	,	kg/m³	481
	Specific gravity	J	2.4
	Brookfield viscosity	cps	700
Physical data	Average particle size (Dry Powder)	microns	11
	Alpine, +100	%	0.01
	Residue, +325	%	0.3
	Free moisture (@ 220 °F, as produced)	%	14.0
	Volatile matter (@ 1200 °F, moisture free basis)	%	10
	Color		light cream
	Physical form		highly pulverized powder

The above typical properties are for general information only and should not be used for specification purposes. Performance characteristics vary depending on specific application. All products should be tested in customer's formulation prior to use. This information is subject to change at any time.

# **Applications**

Attagel 40 is used in the following applications:

- · Paints & Coatings
- Chemical Suspension
- Construction
- Ag Suspension Suspension Conc. Liquid Feed & Suspension Fertilizer
- · Adhesives & Sealants

Attagel 40 is recommended for use in paint and coatings applications where sag resistance, spatter control, and syneresis control is required. It is also used in agriculture suspension products for suspending the active formulation ingredients.

# Safety

#### General

BASF recommends that you take the appropriate safety precautions when handling this product as you should when handling all chemicals. These include the measures described in Federal, State and Local health and safety regulations, thorough ventilation of the workplace, good skin care and wearing of protective goggles.

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