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Aromatic-free

BYK-088

Defoamer based on silicones and polymers for solvent-free and solvent-borne coatings, printing inks, ambient curing plastic systems as well as adhesives and sealants. Aromatic-free.

Product Data

Composition

Solution of foam-destroying polymers and polysiloxanes

Typical Properties

The values indicated in this data sheet describe typical properties and do not constitute specification limits.

Density (68 °F): 6.26 lbs/US gal

Non-volatile matter (10 min., 302 °F): 3.3 %

Solvents: Hydrocarbon mixture (paraffins, naphthenes)

Flash point: 100 °F

Food Contact Legal Status

For the current food contact legal status, please contact our product safety department or visit www.byk.com for further information.

Applications

Coatings Industry

Special Features and Benefits

BYK-088 is a defoamer for all solvent-borne and solvent-free coating systems, especially aromatic-free systems.

Recommended Use

Architectural coatings	
Industrial coatings	
Wood and furniture coatings	
Can coatings	
Protective coating systems	

especially recommended recommended

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Recommended Levels

0.2-0.8 % additive (as supplied) based upon total formulation.

The above recommended levels can be used for orientation. Optimal levels are determined through a series of laboratory tests.

Incorporation and Processing Instructions

To achieve optimal defoaming, the defoamer should be added to the millbase. If it is incorporated at a later time, sufficient shear forces must be ensured in order to achieve good defoamer distribution and to prevent crater formation.

Printing inks and overprint varnishes

Special Features and Benefits

BYK-088 is a defoamer for all solvent-borne and solvent-free printing inks and overcoat varnishes, especially UV systems.

Recommended Levels

0.1-1 % additive (as supplied) based upon total formulation.

The above recommended levels can be used for orientation. Optimal levels are determined through a series of laboratory tests.

Incorporation and Processing Instructions

To achieve optimal defoaming, the defoamer should be added to the millbase. If it is incorporated at a later time, sufficient shear forces must be ensured in order to achieve good defoamer distribution and to prevent crater formation.

Ambient Curing Systems

Special Features and Benefits

Air release agent to prevent foam and bubbles during the manufacture and application of ambient curing plastic applications. Recommended for floorings and casting systems on polyurethane basis.

Recommended Levels

0.5-2 % additive (as supplied) based upon total formulation.

The above recommended levels can be used for orientation. Optimal levels are determined through a series of laboratory tests.

Incorporation and Processing Instructions

Incorporate into resin before adding the other components. Can also be added to complete systems.

Adhesives & Sealants

Special Features and Benefits

BYK-088 is a defoamer for all solvent-borne and solvent-free adhesives and sealants, especially aromatic-free systems.

Recommended Use

Recommended for adhesives and sealants on polyurethane basis.

Recommended Levels

0.1-1 % additive (as supplied) based upon total formulation.

The above recommended levels can be used for orientation. Optimal levels are determined through a series of laboratory tests.

Incorporation and Processing Instructions

Incorporate into resin before adding the other components.

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