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# **BYK-W 972**

Wetting and dispersing additive for SMC/BMC and pultrusion to homogenize and stabilize the system, and to increase the color homogeneity in molding compounds. Improved fiber wetting and therefore optimized properties. Anti-separation additive.

# **Product Data**

### Composition

Solution of a high molecular weight block copolymer with pigment affinic groups

# **Typical Properties**

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

Amine value: 11 mg KOH/g Density (68 °F): 8.47 lbs/US gal

Refractive index (68 °F): 1.438 Non-volatile matter (20 min., 302 °F): 30 % 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.

#### **Storage and Transportation**

Separation or turbidity may occur at temperatures below 0 °C (32 °F). Warm to 20 °C (68 °F) and mix well.

# **Applications**

### **SMC, BMC, Pultrusion**

### **Special Features and Benefits**

Additive to prevent phase separation in PS-UP filled molding compounds. It improves the pigment dispersion and pigment stability in LS systems. In HMC, BYK-W 972 optimizes the fiber wetting and therefore the mechanical properties.

### **Recommended Levels**

0.5-1 % additive (as supplied) based upon the resin, to prevent phase separation.

0.5-1 % additive (as supplied) based upon the fiber content, for fiber wetting.

30-140 % additive (as supplied) based on the pigment, to stabilize organic pigments and carbon blacks.

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

# **Incorporation and Processing Instructions**

BYK-W 972 should be homogenized in the resin mixture before incorporating in the fillers/pigments.

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