

# BYK-UV 3576

Crosslinkable surface additive for radiation curable systems for improving substrate wetting and leveling without foam stabilization.

## Product Data

### Composition

Solution of a multi-acrylic functional, modified polydimethylsiloxane

### Typical Properties

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

Density (68 °F): 8.93 lbs/US gal  
Refractive index: 1.462  
Active substance: 40 %  
Solvents: Tripropylene glycol diacrylate (TPGDA)  
Flash point: > 140 °F

### Food Contact Legal Status

For the current food contact legal status, please contact our product safety department or visit [www.byk.com](http://www.byk.com) for further information.

### Storage and Transportation

Do not store or transport above 95 °F.

### Special Note

Protect the additive from direct sunlight.

## Applications

### Coatings Industry

#### Special Features and Benefits

BYK-UV 3576 displays a low to moderate reduction in surface tension and improves substrate wetting. The surface slip is not increased, or only slightly, and leveling is improved. The product does not cause foam to be stabilized; in some systems a defoaming effect is noticed. As a result of its multiple acrylic functionality BYK-UV 3576 crosslinks with radiation curable systems and thereby produces long-lasting effects without migrating. Its recoatability is good in most systems, however this must be checked. The product is very compatible and causes no haze in the coating system. BYK-UV 3576 is suitable for solvent-free, solvent-borne, and aqueous systems.

**Recommended Use**

Wood and furniture coatings	
Industrial coatings	

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**Recommended Levels**

0.1–0.3 % additive (as supplied) based upon total formulation, in exceptional cases up to 1 %.

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

**Incorporation and Processing Instructions**

The additive can be incorporated during any stage of the production process, including post-addition.

**Overprint Varnishes****Special Features and Benefits**

BYK-UV 3576 improves substrate wetting and the leveling of 100%, UV-curing overprint varnishes. The good compatibility with standard binders enables highly transparent overprint varnishes to be produced.

**Recommended Use**

Recommended for 100 % UV overprint varnishes.

**Recommended Levels**

0.3-1 % additive (as supplied) based upon total formation

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

**Incorporation and Processing Instructions**

The additive can be incorporated during any stage of the production process, including post-addition.