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# **BYK-016**

VOC and silicone-free, polymer-based defoamer for aqueous coatings, adhesives, printing inks and overprint varnishes. This defoamer can also be used for the underwater pelletizing of thermoplastics. Suitable for food contact.

## **Product Data**

#### Composition

Compound of foam-destroying polymers and hydrophobic solids

VOC-free (< 1500 ppm)
Does not contain
alkylphenol ethoxylates.

#### **Typical Properties**

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

Density (20 °C): 1.00 g/ml

# **Food Contact Legal Status**

The additive is suitable for applications with food contact. 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 may occur. Mix well before use.

# **Applications**

# **Printing Inks and Overprint Varnishes**

#### **Special Features and Benefits**

BYK-016 is a very effective silicone- and mineral oil-free defoamer for aqueous printing inks, overprint varnishes and inkjet printing inks. It has no negative influence on the runnability and does not cause any defects in the print image.

#### **Recommended Levels**

1-2 % 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**

The additive can be added at any time during production. Sufficiently high shear forces must be applied.

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## **Coatings Industry**

#### **Special Features and Benefits**

BYK-016 is a very effective silicone- and mineral oil-free defoamer for aqueous coating systems and is particularly recommended for can and coil coatings.

#### **Recommended Levels**

1-2 % 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**

The additive can be added at any time during production. Sufficiently high shear forces must be applied.

#### **Adhesives & Sealants**

## **Special Features and Benefits**

BYK-016 is a very effective silicone- and mineral oil-free defoamer for aqueous adhesives. It can be very easily incorporated and displays a good compatibility in sensitive systems. In aqueous cold seal adhesives for flexible food packaging BYK-016 prevents foam very efficiently and can be used without any problems as a result of its approval for use in contact with food.

#### **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**

The additive can be added at any time during production. Sufficiently high shear forces must be applied.

#### **Thermoplastics**

# **Special Features and Benefits**

BYK-016 is recommended for use as a defoamer for the underwater pelletizing of thermoplastics.

#### **Recommended Levels**

0.05-0.1 % additive (as supplied) in the circulation water.

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 is added directly into the circulation water.