

# **BYK-P 104**

Controlled flocculating wetting and dispersing additive for solvent-borne, medium-polarity to high-polarity coatings to prevent the flooding/floating of titanium dioxide in combination with colored pigments.

### **Product Data**

### Composition

Solution of a low molecular weight, unsaturated polycarboxylic acid polymer

### **Typical Properties**

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

Acid value: 180 mg KOH/g Density (20 °C): 0.95 g/ml Non-volatile matter (10 min., 150 °C): 50 %

Solvents: Xylene/diisobutyl ketone 9/1

Flash point: 28 °C

### **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 during storage and transportation. Mix well before use. Warm to 30-60 °C and mix well.

### **Special Note**

White spirit-based coating systems or those that are diluted with white spirit have a limited compatibility. The additive is also available solvent-free under the name BYK-P 105.

## **Applications**

### **Coatings Industry**

### **Special Features and Benefits**

BYK-P 104 provides a targeted, controlled flocculation of the pigments. Bridges are built between the individual pigment particles, thereby creating three-dimensional networks. This controlled flocculation of the pigments primarily prevents flooding and floating along with settling and sagging. BYK-P 104 is particularly suited to medium-polarity to high-polarity coating systems to prevent the flooding and floating of titanium dioxide in combination with colored pigments. It has a limited compatibility with white spirit. In many cases, anticorrosive properties are improved when used in protective primers.

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### **Recommended Levels**

Amount of additive (as supplied) based upon pigment:

Inorganic pigments: 3-10 % Titanium dioxides: 0.5-2.5 % Organic pigments: 10-20 %

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

### **Incorporation and Processing Instructions**

For optimum performance, the additive must be incorporated into the millbase before addition of pigments.







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