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# **CERAFAK 106**

Wax dispersion on the basis of an EVA copolymer wax for solvent-borne effect coating systems, especially for automotive coatings. Improves the orientation of effect pigments and reduces settling in the container.

# **Product Data**

## Composition

Ethylen-Vinylacetat-Copolymerwachsdispersion (EVA)

## **Typical Properties**

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

Non-volatile matter: 6 %

Carrier: Xylene/butyl acetate/n-butanol 7/8/1

Melting point (wax content): 221 °F Particle size (Hegman): 20  $\mu$ m Viscosity (73 °F): 10 mPa·s

## **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**

Temperature sensitive. Do not store or transport above 35 °C (95 °F). Stir before processing.

## **Storase and Transport**

<u>Test method: seeding</u>

The wax additive is homogenized with a dissolver for 5 min at 4 m/s, then diluted with 20 % n-butyl acetate and stirred for a further 2 min at about 4 m/s. A draw down is then made on a glass panel with a 100  $\mu$ m doctor blade. The resulting film must be clear and free of seeds during drying.

Test method: particle size measurement with grind-gauge according to ISO 1524

The wax additive is homogenized with a dissolver for 5 min at 4 m/s. A draw down is then made on a 50  $\mu$ m grind-gauge. Result: 20  $\mu$ m particle size.

# **Applications**

#### **Coatings Industry**

# **Special Features and Benefits**

The additive improves the orientation of effect pigments (e.g. aluminum, mica) and enhances the flip-flop effect. Short wave defects (mottling, Bénard cells) are minimized and leveling of the subsequent clear coat layer is improved. Settling in the container is also reduced.

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#### **Recommended Use**

CERAFAK 106 is recommended for solvent-borne base coats and one coat metallic top coats for automotive coatings.

## **Recommended Levels**

50 % additive (as supplied) based upon the solid binder.

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

# **Incorporation and Processing Instructions**

The wax additive must be homogenized before use with a dissolver (4 m/s) and then added to the binder solution under agitation. In systems with CAB, the CAB solution must first be incorporated homogeneously in the binder solution at high shear forces (> 5 m/s) before the stirred wax additive, the effect pigment slurry and the solvent can be added under agitation.

