

# **BYK-322**

Silicone-containing surface additive for solvent-borne coating systems with a slight reduction of surface tension and slight increase of surface slip. Thermostable up to 250 °C. Good leveling with defoaming properties.

#### **Product Data**

#### Composition

Aralkyl-modified polymethylalkylsiloxane

## **Typical Properties**

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

Density (20 °C): 0.95 g/ml

## **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.

# **Applications**

## **Coatings Industry**

### **Special Features and Benefits**

The additive provides a slight reduction of the surface tension of coating systems. BYK-322 is a silicone leveling additive which does not stabilize foam and in many systems has a defoaming effect. It is thermostable up to 250 °C and does not negatively impact intercoat adhesion.

#### **Recommended Use**

The additive is particularly recommended for all solvent-borne coatings.

#### **Recommended Levels**

0.01-0.4 % 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 incorporated during any stage of the production process, including post-addition.

#### **Special Note**

Unlike with so-called silicone oils, this additive is very user-friendly. Nevertheless, before use it should be determined in a series of tests whether foam is stabilized in certain systems. Similarly, the recoatability and cratering should be checked.

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