

## BYK-023

VOC-free silicone-containing defoamer for aqueous dispersion coatings, printing inks, overprint varnishes, and cleaning agents.

### Product Data

#### Composition

Emulsion of foam-destroying polysiloxanes, hydrophobic solids and emulsifiers

VOC-free (< 1500 ppm)

#### 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  
Non-volatile matter (60 min., 105 °C): 18.5 %  
Carrier: Water

#### 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

Storage and transportation between 0 °C and 40 °C. Temperature-sensitive emulsion. If the temperature has exceeded or fallen below the recommended range, the product has to be tested before use and, if necessary, be re-emulsified at room temperature.

### Applications

#### Coatings Industry

##### Special Features and Benefits

BYK-023 is recommended for emulsion paints with a PVC of 30-50 and which are manufactured on a styrene acrylate, acrylate or terpolymer basis. The additive is also suitable for use in hybrid systems.

##### Recommended Levels

0.05-0.8 % additive (as supplied) based on 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

Due to its high incompatibility, the defoamer must be incorporated at high shear forces to ensure a good distribution. Otherwise defects may occur in the system.

## Printing Inks and Overprint Varnishes

### Special Features and Benefits

BYK-023 is recommended for defoaming printing inks and overprint varnishes based on styrene acrylate or acrylate. The additive is also suitable for use in hybrid systems.

### Recommended Levels

0.2-1 % additive (as supplied) based on 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

Due to its high incompatibility, the defoamer must be incorporated at high shear forces to ensure a good distribution. Otherwise defects may occur in the system.

## Household, Industrial, and Commercial Cleaning Agents

### Special Features and Benefits

BYK-023 is a silicone-containing defoamer for aqueous care products and cleaning agents, which can demonstrate its considerable defoaming effect already during production. This effect is maintained after application.

### Recommended Levels

0.1-0.5 % additive (as supplied) based on the 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 is preferably added at the start of formulation, however it is possible to use it at any stage of manufacture.



Additive Guide



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