

# **BYK-012**

Polymer-based, VOC- and silicone-free defoamer for aqueous coatings, printing inks and adhesives. Especially recommended for high-quality architectural coatings. Optimal effect at the lowest dosage.

#### **Product Data**

#### Composition

Compound of polyether with hydrophobic particles

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): 1.01 g/ml

# **Storage and Transportation**

Separation possible. Mix well before use. The additive is not frost sensitive, although storage at 10-25 °C is recommended for optimum handling.

# **Applications**

# **Coatings Industry**

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

BYK-012 is especially recommended as a defoamer in the preparation and application of emulsion paints and plasters within a PVC range of 30-85. The additive is free of silicones and mineral oil, and is especially suitable for VOC-free systems. It exhibits an optimal effect at the lowest dosage, is stable to acids and alkalis, and can be used in the pH range 3-12. BYK-012 can lead to turbidity and seeding in clear coatings.

### **Recommended Use**

| Architectural Coatings             |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Wood and Furniture Coatings        |  |
| Leather Finishes                   |  |
| Protective Coating Systems         |  |
| especially recommended recommended |  |

## **Recommended Levels**

0.05-0.5 % 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.



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### **Incorporation and Processing Instructions**

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

## **Printing Inks and Overprint Varnishes**

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

BYK-012 is especially recommended as a defoamer for aqueous printing inks. The additive is free of silicones and mineral oil, and exhibits an optimal effect at the lowest dosage. BYK-012 can lead to turbidity and seeding in overprint varnishes.

#### **Recommended Levels**

0.1-0.5 % 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**

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#### **Adhesives & Sealants**

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

BYK-012 is a highly effective defoamer for all current dispersion adhesives, and inhibits foaming during both production and application. It is a particularly good defoamer for polyacrylate-based dispersion adhesives. The product is free of silicones and mineral oil, and is especially recommended for VOC-free systems. It exhibits an optimal effect at the lowest dosage, is stable to acids and alkalis, and can be used in the pH range 3-12.

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