

BYK-345

Silicone surfactant for aqueous coatings, printing inks, overprint varnishes and care products, with strong reduction of the surface tension and therefore an improvement of substrate wetting. No increase of surface slip. Solvent-free version of BYK-346.

Product Data

Composition

Polyether-modified siloxane

Typical Properties

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

Density (20 °C): 1.04 g/ml Active substance: 100 %

Special Note

Solvent-free version of BYK-346. The additive requires a small amount of co-solvent in the formulation (approx. 5% of the total solvent content) in order to avoid turbidity. The effectivity of the silicone surfactant is reduced in systems with higher co-solvent amounts. For these types of formulations we recommend the use of polysiloxanes such as BYK-333.

Applications

Coatings and Printing Inks

Special Features and Benefits

The additive provides a large decrease in surface tension in aqueous systems and therefore improves substrate wetting and leveling in particular. Foam stabilization does not occur or only very minimally and recoatability is not affected. The additive does not increase surface slip. If higher surface slip is desired, we recommend combining it with a polysiloxane such as BYK-333.

Recommended Use

The additive is recommended for all aqueous coatings, printing inks and overprint varnishes which contain a small proportion of organic co-solvent.

Recommended Levels

0.05-0.5 % additive (as supplied) based upon total formulation.

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

Incorporation and Processing Instructions

The additive is preferably added to the finished formulation. It can, however, be added at any stage during production.

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Care products

Special Features and Benefits

BYK-345 is a highly effective silicone surfactant causing a strong reduction of the surface tension to improve the substrate wetting and leveling in aqueous care products. If at all, it only marginally stabilizes the foam, has no negative impact on the subsequent layer and does not increase the surface slip.

Recommended Use

The additive is particularly recommended for plasticizer-free and wax-containing floor care products.

Recommended Levels

0.05-0.5 % additive (as supplied) based on the total formulation.

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

Incorporation and Processing Instructions

It is preferable to add the additive to the already completed formulation. However, it can be used at any stage during manufacture.







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