PRODUCT DATA



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Strodex™ PK-90 Phosphate Ester Surfactant

For Waterborne Architectural Coatings

Strodex PK-90 surfactant is the neutralized (potassium salt) form of a phosphate coester of aliphatic alcohols. It imparts improved gloss and color acceptance in waterborne latex paints. Depending on the formulation specifics, Strodex PK-90 surfactant can also function as a supplemental dispersant to assist in reduction of pigment flocculation. Strodex PK-90 surfactant does not contain any alkyl phenol ethoxylates (APEOs).

Strodex PK-90 surfactant is particularly beneficial at wetting pigments including TiO₂, iron oxides and common extenders. Spreading and uniform coverage of paint on difficult to wet surfaces are improved by the use of Strodex PK-90 surfactant.

Typical Properties(a)

Chemical type	Phosphate Ester (anionic)
Appearance	Clear liquid
Active solids, weight %	89 ± 1%
Gardner Color	1 maximum
Viscosity ^(b) , as supplied (cps or mPa·s)	5,000 - 9,000
Density, g/mL	
Density, lb/gal	12.1
pH, 10% aqueous solution	7.3 – 7.7
VOC content, weight %	3.0
Flash point ^(c)	> 200°F (93°C)

⁽a) Values are typical properties and are not to be regarded as product specifications.

Product Benefits

- · Increases gloss
- Reduces hazing
- Enhances color properties
- Improved substrate wetting
- Excellent wetting & dispersion of pigments including iron oxides
- · Improved freeze-thaw resistance
- · Helps prevent crawling, cratering & pinholing
- Low water sensitivity
- · Inhibition of flash & nail head rusting
- · May improve open time & block resistance

Recommended Use Levels

In flat, semi-gloss and gloss paints, 2-4 pounds of Strodex PK-90 surfactant per 100 gallons (0.2-0.4%) of finished paint are recommended.

APEO & Glycol Content

Strodex PK-90 surfactant does not contain any alkyl phenol ethoxylates (APEOs). Glycols are not intentionally added or known to be present in Strodex PK-90 surfactant.



⁽b)Brookfield RVT viscosity at 25°C (77°F), spindle #5 at 20 rpm.

⁽c)Tag closed cup

Chemical Inventories

All components of Strodex™ PK-90 surfactant are listed on the TSCA (USA), and the DSL (Canada) chemical inventories. This product is EINECS compliant.

Product Safety

Please read and understand the MSDS before using this product.

