Eastman TXIB[™] formulation additive

Non-phthalate plasticizer

for polyvinyl acetate (PVAc) emulsion adhesives in woodworking and bookbinding

Eastman TXIB[™] formulation additive is compatible with PVAc emulsion used in woodworking and bookbinding. It is a non-phthalate plasticizer that can be used to replace dibutyl phthalate. In PVAc emulsions, Eastman TXIB[™]

- Increases emulsion viscosity
- Reduces the T_g of the system, allowing better lowtemperature performance
- Is phthalate-free, offering a more sustainable system

Viscosity response

Eastman TXIB[™] formulation additive imparts significant increase in viscosity to PVAc emulsion when added at 6–10%. Based on a number of in-house evaluations, the degree of viscosity improvements vary with different PVAc systems. Typically, for lower viscosity PVAc, significant improvement was observed when Eastman TXIB[™] was added at 6–10%. For higher viscosity systems, 10% addition is recommended to allow considerable viscosity improvement.



DIBP

Dibenzoate ester plasticizer

T_g suppression response

When added at 6–10%, Eastman TXIB^m formulation additive imparts better T_g suppression when compared with benzoate plasticizers. In many of the PVAc emulsions evaluated, adding Eastman TXIB^m at 6–10% reduced the T_g of PVAc from above 30°C to less than 20°C and 15°C, respectively.



Food contact regulatory status

Eastman TXIB[™] formulation additive has received clearance by the U.S. FDA for use in certain food-contact applications described in 21 CFR 175.105, 21 CFR 177.1200, 21 CFR 178.3740 and FCN Nos. 224 and 597. It is also listed in EU Directive 2002/72/EC (PM/Ref 95020).



Typical properties

Empirical formula	$C_{16}H_{30}O_4$
Specific gravity @ 20°C	0.942–0.948
Surface tension @ 25°C	28 dynes/cm
Boiling point @ 760 mm Hg	281°C
Freezing point	-70°C
Viscosity, Brookfield @ 25°C with #1 spindle	9 cP

To find out more about the secure supply and efficiency of Eastman TXIB^m formulation additive in increasing viscosity and lowering T_g, call your Eastman representative today.



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