



Eastman Effusion<sup>™</sup> plasticizer for plastisol applications

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PVC plastisols are used in textile printing inks.



Eastman Effusion™ plasticizer is a unique, fast-fusing solution that enables increased production line speeds and lower processing temperatures, allowing you to reduce your energy costs. Ideal for PVC plastisol applications, such as coatings and screen printing inks, it is both highly efficient and effective at lowering fusion temperatures.

And it outperforms traditional "fast fusers," making Effusion a viable non-phthalate alternative—and possibly the only plasticizer you'll need in applications where fusion speed

is paramount. When compared to traditional fast-fusing plasticizers, its improved efficiency allows Effusion to provide similar properties at lower loading levels. Also, Effusion enhances sprayability by providing an excellent shearthinning effect to your formulations (Table 1). Effusion is a cost-effective replacement for less efficient plasticizers.

## **Applications**

- Coatings
- Textile printing inks
- Plastisol sealants
- Plastisol adhesives
- · Plastisol molding compounds
- Plastisol foams
- Films
- Coated fabrics

Table 1

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Property	Eastman Effusion 36 phr	BBP 40 phr	Benzoate plasticizer 40 phr			
	7.5 phr TXIBa	7.5 phr TXIB	7.5 phr TXIB			
Fusion temperature, °C	103	103	103			
Tensile strength, MPa	16.2	16.5	16.8			
Elongation at break, %	252	244	260			
Modulus at 100% elongation, MPa	9.0	9.4	9.1			
Shore A hardness	72	72	73			
Tear resistance, kN/m	65	67	63			
Tear energy, N*mm	2597	2529	2674			
Low shear viscosity (Brookfield), cP @ 24 hours	24400	23650	22900			
High shear viscosity (Severs), cP @ 24 hours	12750	15900	23000			
Brittleness temperature, °C	<b>- 14</b>	-6	-6			

Mechanical properties: Fast-fuser comparison

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Eastman TXIB<sup>™</sup> formulation additive

# Blend to optimize

Effusion can be blended with other plasticizers, such as Eastman 168<sup>™</sup> non-phthalate plasticizer, allowing plastisol formulators to customize and optimize solutions for specific processing needs. Plastisols made by blending these two plasticizers, for example, exhibit lower initial and aged viscosities while maintaining similar properties to other fast-fuser blends (Figure 1 and Table 2).

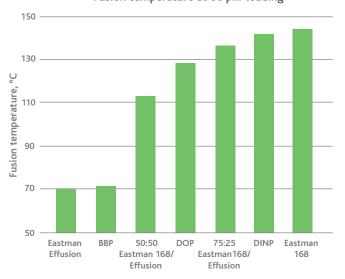
Blending plasticizers can also give manufacturers more options when trying to target a replacement of traditional phthalate plasticizers (Figures 2 and 3).

# The flexibility you need

Whether your formulation requires a fast fuser as the sole plasticizer to achieve extremely low fusion temperatures or you're looking to blend a fast fuser with a general-purpose plasticizer, Eastman Effusion is your non-phthalate solution. And when you switch, an Eastman technical specialist will be by your side to help make your transition seamless.

Figure 2

Eastman Effusion blends versus common phthalates:
Fusion temperature at 60 phr loading



## Formulation features

- Non-phthalate
- Fast fusing
- · Highly efficient

Figure 1

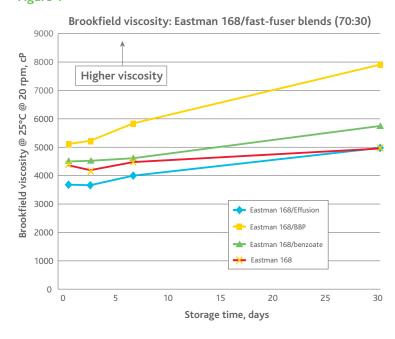
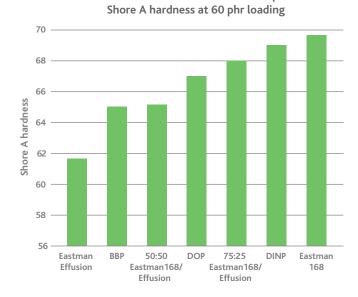


Figure 3

Eastman Effusion blends versus common phthalates:



To find out more about the secure supply and efficiency of Eastman Effusion as a fast-fusing non-phthalate plasticizer for plastisol applications, call your Eastman representative today or visit www.eastmanplasticizers.com.

Table 2

#### Mechanical properties: Eastman 168 blends

Property	Eastman 168/ Effusion 70/30 at 60 phr	Eastman 168/ BBP 70/30 at 60 phr	Eastman 168/ benzoate 70/30 at 60 phr	Eastman 168 at 60 phr
Fusion temperature, °C	128	131	134	148
Tensile strength, MPa	17.4	17.2	17.5	17.9
Elongation at break, %	299	304	298	321
Modulus at 100% elongation, MPa	9.4	8.5	8.6	9.1
Shore A hardness	67	67	67	71
Tear resistance, kN/m	65	65	65	64
Tear energy, N*mm	1191	1250	1123	1136
Brittleness temperature, °C	<b>- 45</b>	- 36	- 39	<b>-47</b>

#### Performance benefits

- Excellent solvating ability in PVC
  - Lower-temperature processing of PVC
  - Faster fusion speeds
  - Wider processing windows
- Excellent viscosity stability when formulated with general-purpose plasticizers such as Eastman 168
- Excellent shear thinning for improved sprayability
- Lower density, which can be a benefit when selling by volume
- Improved in-process heat stability
- Greater efficiency at lowering hardness
  - Reduction of plasticizer usage in formulation
  - Better low-temperature flexibility



PVC plastisols are used in coated fabrics such as raincoats.

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