

Dispersion Control Additive Technical Data Sheet 06/05/2023

KAM-DCA 402

High molecular weight dispersion control additive for solvent-based inks. Specially recommended for the preparation of resin-free pigment concentrates suited for solvent-based inks.

Technical Specifications

Composition : Block copolymer with pigment affinic groups

Solvent(s) : Ethanol
Specific gravity @ 20°C : ca. 0.98 g/cm³
Amine value : 45 mg KOH/g

Appearance : Orange to amber liquid

Active matter : 70%

Applications

KAM-DCA 402 is a high molecular weight wetting and dispersing additive for all kinds of pigments used in the solvent-based graphic arts industry (Flexographic and gravure printing inks).

KAM-DCA 402 is especially recommended for the preparation of mill-bases or pigment concentrates with no grinding resin, which can be incorporated in most resin systems used in the solvent-based graphic arts industry such as Nitrocellulose, PU, PVB, ...etc.

KAM-DCA 402 is recommended in alcohol- and ester-rich ink formulations.

Using KAM-DCA 402 in resin-free pigment concentrates can lead to the following benefits:

- · Highly pigmented dispersions/pigment concentrates with low viscosity
- Improved particle size reduction and stability over time
- High glosss in the final ink

KAM-DCA 402 is not suited for UV curing inks. When used in polyamide inks, **KAM-DCA 402** needs to be combined with **KAM-DCA 108** to improve compatibility in the final ink.

KAM-DCA 402 should be incorporated in the mill-base before adding the pigments.

Amount of additive based upon pigment can be determined as follows:

Organic pigments: 20-30% of BET value Carbon blacks: 20-50% of DBP value

Typical guiding formulations are as follows:

34% PR 57:1 pigment/15% KAM-DCA 402/51% Ethanol+Ethyl acetate 30% PB 15 :4 pigment/15% KAM-DCA 402/55% Ethanol+Ethyl acetate 28% PY 13 pigment/15% KAM-DCA 402/57% Ethanol+Ethyl acetate

Storage, Safety and Packaging

To be stored in a cool dry place and handled in accordance with good industrial practice. When kept in an original unopened container, it will keep up to min. 4 years from the date of manufacture.

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The technical information and specifications contained in this data sheet are based on careful investigations and given to the best of our knowledge. Nevertheless, circumstances under which the product is used in practice are subject to many variations.

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