

# **SILWET\* DA** performance additives

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Silwet DA performance additives are FDA-regulated additives that improve the performance of brown stock pulp defoamers used in the manufacture of paper and paperboard for indirect food contact. They enhance the dispersion and efficiency of formulated defoamers and also act as defoamers above their cloud point. In addition, they increase water drainage through pulp mats by significantly reducing entrained air and associated foam. Silwet DA additives are highly compatible with organic defoamers and are dioxin-free.

# **Key Features and Typical Benefits**

- permitted under FDA regulation 21 CFR 176.210
- improved dispersion and efficiency of other defoamer actives
- cloud point defoamers
- enhance pulp drainage
- dioxin-free
- easy to use in formulation

# **Potential Applications**

Silwet DA performance additives boost the performance of defoamers used in the Kraft pulping process during brown stock washing and screening. They can also enhance the effectiveness of defoamers used to reduce entrained air in paper-processing white water.

# **Typical Physical Properties**

Silwet DA performance additives are made up of 100-percent active products. They are uncapped, polyether-modified silicone copolymers, described by CAS #68937-55-3.

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## **Silwet Performance Additive**

Property	DA-33	DA-40	DA-63
Cloud Point, °F (°C)	104 (40)	77 (25)	<77 (<25)
Viscosity at 25°C, cSt	3500	1000	1100
Flash Point, °F (°C)			
Pensky-Martens Closed Cup	275 (135)	275 (135)	290 (143)
Cleveland Open Cup	>300 (149)	480 (249)	550 (228)
EO <sup>(1)</sup> : PO <sup>(2)</sup> Weight Ratio of Pendant Groups	40:60	20:80	20:80
Molecular Weight, avg.	30,000	12,000	17,000

<sup>(1)</sup> Ethylene oxide

## **Advantages**

Silwet DA performance additives offer a number of important advantages to the pulp and paper processor:

## **FDA Regulated Additives**

Silwet DA performance additives conform to FDA regulation 21 CFR 176.210, which identifies substances that may be used in the manufacture of paper and paperboard for indirect food contact.

# Improved Dispersion

By improving the dispersion of brown stock pulp defoamers, Silwet DA performance additives improve the efficiency of other defoamer actives in formulated products.

## Cloud Point Defoaming

At temperatures above their cloud points, Silwet DA performance additives aid in the foam control of aqueous processes. This performance improves dramatically as one goes from Silwet DA-33 to DA-40 to DA-63 performance additives.

# **Enhanced Pulp Drainage**

Two types of foaming characterize pulp and paper processes: surface foam and foam related to entrained air. Entrained air retards water drainage, which increases paper processing costs downstream. Silwet DA performance additives will significantly reduce entrained air and improve drainage efficiency.

#### No Adverse Environmental Effects

Silwet DA performance additives will not add to Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD) in water treatment. They do not contribute to the formation of dioxin. Toxicological information is available upon request.

# Easy to Use, Compatible Additives

Silwet DA performance additives are liquid products that may readily be incorporated in defoamer formulations. Furthermore, they are compatible with commonly used organic compounds, such as mineral oil, fatty esters or silicone oil.

## **Formulation Suggestions**

Silwet DA performance additives should be added at 0.2-1.5 wt % to your formulated defoamers to improve dispersibility. At slightly higher addition levels, they contribute to the defoaming capability of your product. Call your Momentive Performance Materials Technical Representative for additional assistance.

<sup>(2)</sup> Propylene oxide Silwet DA performance additives are based on silicone copolymer technology. Ethylene and propylene oxides form the building blocks of the pendant groups used to modify the physical properties of the silicone backbone.

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