Indusil* 139 Silicone

Description

Indusil 139 silicone is an aqueous solution of a silicone polymer modified with organic groups. At temperatures below its cloud point, it is completely soluble in water forming a clear, yellow solution. It possesses a dual functionality: at temperatures below its cloud point it typically stabilizes emulsions and latexes but at temperatures higher than its cloud point it destabilizes them. As such, Indusil 139 silicone is different from typical polydimethylsiloxanes (PDMS) which are not water soluble and which require emulsifiers to produce milky-white emulsions.

Key Features and Typical Benefits

- Emulsion and latex stabilization below cloud point, can help improve bath stability and service life of latexes
- Emulsion and latex destabilization at temperatures above its cloud point can help improve the coagulation process
- At temperatures below its cloud point, it can help improve the shear stability of emulsions/latexes
- Can help control foam
- Can help improve the formation of films from latexes and speed the drying process by improving wetting
- Can help form films without defects (pinholes, fisheyes)
- Can provide release properties
- Because of its highly hydrophilic nature, it typically dissipates static electricity
- Effective at low concentrations, can not be easily detected by IR in the final item

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Typical Physical Properties

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<td>Appearance</td>
<td>Pale yellow slightly hazy liquid</td>
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<td>Specific Gravity (20 °C) g/ml</td>
<td>1.03</td>
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<td>Active Content %</td>
<td>33</td>
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<td>Viscosity (25 °C), cSt</td>
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<td>Cloud Point, °C</td>
<td>36</td>
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<td>pH</td>
<td>8.0</td>
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<td>Diluent</td>
<td>Water</td>
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Typical properties are average data and are not to be used as or to develop specifications.

Potential Applications

- Aid for the coagulation process of various latexes, e.g., natural rubber latex, PU dispersions, NBR latex, SBR latex and others
- Aid to stabilize latexes, e.g., natural rubber latex, NBR latex, PU dispersions, SBR latex and others
- Aid to control foam, minimize defects and increase production speed in gloves manufacture
- Aid to improve the speed of production in the coagulation process of carpet backing

General Considerations for Use

Indusil 139 silicone can be used as is or after dilution with water. Typical dosage levels are 0.5 – 2.0 phr. Actual dosage levels need to be determined by the end-user. They will depend on the nature of the latex, the severity of the situation and the desired effect needed. Indusil 139 silicone should be added to the latex and not to the coagulant bath. So long as the temperature of the latex is below its cloud point, Indusil 139 silicone will generally stabilize the latex but will destabilize the latex if the latex temperature becomes greater than the cloud point temperature of Indusil 139 silicone.

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