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# **DISPERBYK-194 N**

Wetting and dispersing additive for aqueous systems and pigment concentrates, especially for use in aqueous two-pack polyurethane and two-pack epoxy systems.

#### **Product Data**

Composition Aromatic-free

Solution of a copolymer with pigment affinic groups

#### **Typical Properties**

The values indicated in this data sheet describe typical properties and do not constitute specification limits.

Acid value: 75 mg KOH/g
Density (20 °C): 1.08 g/ml
Non-volatile matter (10 min., 150 °C): 57 %
Solvents: Water

#### **Food Contact Legal Status**

For the current food contact legal status, please contact our product safety department or visit www.byk.com for further information.

## **Storage and Transportation**

Separation or turbidity may occur at temperatures below 10 °C. Warm to 20 °C and mix well.

# **Applications**

# **Coatings Industry**

#### **Special Features and Benefits**

The additive deflocculates pigments through steric stabilization of the pigments. Due to the small particle size of the deflocculated pigments, high gloss is achieved and the color strength is improved. In addition, this product increases the transparency and hiding power of pigments and reduces viscosity. Subsequently, it improves leveling and allows for higher pigment loading.

## **Recommended Use**

DISPERBYK-194 N is used for the production of pigment concentrates with or without resins and for pigment grinding in aqueous coatings.

It is especially recommended for use with aqueous two-pack PU and two-pack epoxy systems. Pigment concentrates formulated with DISPERBYK-194 N can be incorporated into amine components as well as epoxy resins.

Industrial coatings	
Wood and furniture coatings	
Protective coatings	

especially recommended

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#### **Recommended Levels**

Amount of additive (as supplied) based upon pigment

Inorganic pigments: 15-35 % Titanium dioxide: 7-13% Organic pigments: 30-90 % Carbon blacks: 100-150%

The above recommended levels can be used for orientation. Optimal levels are determined through a series of laboratory tests.

#### **Incorporation and Processing Instructions**

For optimal performance in systems containing resins, the additive should be slowly incorporated into the aqueous resin while agitating the mixture. For pigment concentrates without resins, simply mix the additive with water. Add pigments only after the additive is homogeneously distributed.

#### **Special Note**

Pigment concentrates formulated with DISPERBYK-194 N must be neutralized before being added to let-down.