

## **Technical Bulletin**

# **TERMIX® 5400 Surfactant**

### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

TERMIX<sup>®</sup> 5400 surfactant is a solution containing a blend of anionic and nonionic surfactants. It is a clear amber, low viscosity liquid, free of suspended material.

**APPLICATIONS** 

· Agricultural spray adjuvant

#### **SALES SPECIFICATIONS**

<u>Property</u>	<u>Specifications</u>	Test Method*
Appearance, 30°C	Clear, light amber liquid	ST-30.1
Color, Gardner	3 - 7	ST-30.13
pH, 1% aqueous	5.4 - 5.6	ST-31.36, F
Compatibility in CAYUSE +	Pass	ST-30.73. A

\*Methods of Test are available from Huntsman Corporation upon request.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

## **Regulatory Information**

For inventory status and other regulatory information, please consult the MSDS.

## **Typical Properties**

Density, g/ml, 25°C (77°F)	1.195
Weight, lbs/US gal, 25°C (77°F)	9.96
Viscosity, kinematic, cSt, 40°C (104°F)	40



#### TOXICITY AND SAFETY

For information on the toxicity and safe handling of this product, please read the Material Safety Data Sheet prior to use of the product.

#### HANDLING AND STORAGE

TERMIX<sup>®</sup> 5400 surfactant may be satisfactorily stored in stainless steel tanks using steel pipes and pumps.

For longer term color stability, it is recommended that the product be stored under an inert atmosphere. Solid sediment may form upon standing. There should be circulation in the storage vessel to keep solids suspended.

Low pressure steam coils in storage tanks and steam tracing of transfer lines should be provided in cases where low environmental temperatures may make pumping of the product difficult.

#### **SHIPPING DATA**

Product is available in tank cars or tank trucks.

#### **BIODEGRADABILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY**

Although Huntsman Corporation has not conducted biodegradability studies on the TERMIX<sup>®</sup>-series products, constituents of these products are widely recognized as being readily biodegradable in the environment.

Numerous studies conducted by other workers<sup>1-4</sup> show that linear alcohol ethoxylates and nonylphenol ethoxylates rapidly undergo ultimate biodegradation to a significant degree (>90%) under a wide variety of conditions, including those present in secondary wastewater treatment plants and in river die-away tests corresponding to all seasonal conditions.

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