

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

**CRAYVALLAC® OPTIMA**

Micronised polyamide rheology modifier for high-solids and solvent-free systems

**Polyamide**



92% bio-based product



Designed for solvent-free systems

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Nature	<b>Polyamide</b>
Appearance	<b>Off-white micronized powder</b>
Solid Content (%)	<b>100</b>
Active Content (%)	<b>100</b>
Specific gravity	<b>0.98</b>
Particle size distribution	<b>DV. 1 min: 1.5 µm / DV. 9 max: 15.0 µm</b>
Bulk density	<b>0.4-0.6</b>
Total Bio content (%)	<b>92</b>

**DESCRIPTION**

CRAYVALLAC® OPTIMA is a high performance, micronised amide wax rheology modifier suitable for high-solids and solvent-free applications recommended for its ease of activation and smooth viscosity recovery (good levelling). CRAYVALLAC® OPTIMA overcomes those difficulties which exist with hydrogenated castor oil based rheology modifiers e.g. seeding and false-body without the need of increasing the temperature of activation. Its smooth viscosity recovery will help to achieve high film thickness without compromising a good levelling.

**RECOMMENDED ADDITION LEVEL**

0.2-1.5% under heat and shear

**STANDARD PACKAGING**

Other packaging may be available upon request

- 15 Kg Bag

**HANDLING & STORAGE**

It should be stored in the original containers in a dry place at temperatures between 5°C (41°F) and 30°C (86°F). Avoid exposure to direct sunlight or frost. In these conditions, this product should be used within 48 months from production.

**MARKETS**

**Coatings & Inks**

- Industrial Coating

**KEY BENEFITS**

**FORMULATION**

- Easy handling



**STORAGE**

- Antisettling
- In-can appearance
- Syneresis resistance
- Viscosity stability



**APPLICATION**

- Edge-coverage
- Sag resistance
- Sprayability



**FILM PROPERTIES**

- Anticorrosion
- Water resistance
- Levelling



**SAFER SOLUTIONS**

- APEO Free\*
- Heavy Metal Free\*
- Solvent Free\*

\* Not intentionally added but not specifically measured (not part of product specification)

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**THICKENING MECHANISM**

Non Associative



**VISCOSITY CONTRIBUTION**

Low Shear contribution



Mid Shear contribution



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## PROCESSING INSTRUCTIONS

The use of high-speed dispersers is ideal for the incorporation and activation of CRAYVALLAC® OPTIMA in that they develop both the necessary level of shear and temperature. CRAYVALLAC® OPTIMA is best added along with the initial charge of resin during the pigment dispersion and grind stage. Efficient activation will be achieved by allowing the temperature during dispersion to rise to 40 - 70°C (104 - 158°F), but more preferably from 55 - 65°C (131 -149°F), and maintaining this condition of dispersion and temperature for 20 - 30 minutes.

## HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL DATA

For safe handling please refer to the Safety Data Sheet. For more information about health and environmental data, please contact us.

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