

## RHEOLATE® 658

### Mid-Shear Nonionic Synthetic Associative Thickener (NiSAT)

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

**RHEOLATE 658** is a 17.5% active solids, nonionic synthetic associative thickener designed for improving the rheology of interior and exterior deco paints. Paints formulated with **RHEOLATE 658** have a good balance of sag resistance and leveling and is suitable for use from flats through gloss paints.

The thickener is an urethane associative rheology modifiers and exhibits excellent compatibility with other RHEOLATE thickeners. **RHEOLATE 658** can be used together with more Newtonian high-shear thickeners such as RHEOLATE 6025 or HX 6010 to customize the rheology profile of the coating.

**RHEOLATE 658** is environmentally friendly and contains no APEOs, VOCs, or tin. While designed for use in water based decorative paints the product can also be used in other water based systems including inks, textile coatings, adhesives and sealants. The product has a low viscosity and is a pourable and pumpable liquid.

#### CHEMICAL & PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Composition	polyurethane solution in water
Appearance	Opaque liquid
Active Solids	17.5%
Total Solids	22.0%
Specific Gravity	1.03
Viscosity (cps)	< 4,000
VOC (ASTM D 6886-03)	<0.01%

These are typical properties not to be used for specification purposes.

#### APPLICATIONS

- Zero to Low VOC deco paints
- Water-reducible paints
- Adhesives and sealants
- Industrial water based coating systems
- Inks

#### KEY PROPERTIES

- Mid-shear (KU) rheology modifier
- Good balance of sag resistance and leveling
- Reduces spattering during roller application
- pH-independent
- Compatible with other rheological additives
- Allows broad formulating flexibility
- Compatible in all resin systems
- Zero VOC
- Ease of incorporation and use
- Good storage stability

#### INCORPORATION

**RHEOLATE 658** can be used as supplied or, if necessary, further diluted with water. Addition can take place at any time during the manufacturing process but incorporation into the mill base before letdown is recommended. **RHEOLATE 658** can be combined with other associative rheological additives, clay based thickeners or cellulosic thickeners for higher package viscosity.

#### LEVELS OF USE

Typical use levels of **RHEOLATE 658** are 0.5% to 3.5% (thickener solids weight) on total system weight.

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY

Before using this product please consult our Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for information on safe handling and storage. The SDS can be found on the company website.

#### STORAGE RECOMMENDATIONS

**RHEOLATE 658** should be kept above 4°C (40°F). In the event of accidental freezing, thaw gently, spread a portion between glass slides and examine for granules. If found, do not use.

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### SHELF LIFE

**RHEOLATE 658** has a shelf life of 24 months from date of manufacture.

### QUALITY ASSURANCE

Since 1992 the company is a holder of the ISO 9001 / ISO 9002 certificates, which guarantees that all operations are conducted according to the stipulated standards.

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