

RHEOLATE® SH 03

Hydrophobically Modified Alkali-Swellable Emulsion (HASE) Rheological Modifier

GENERAL INFORMATION

RHEOLATE® SH 03 is an acrylic thickener of high viscosity, it is designed to replace cellulosic thickeners with technical advantages. Hydrophobically modified alkali swellable thickener was developed with the highest technology for waterborne systems.

RHEOLATE® SH 03 is an efficient thickener for systems formulated with acrylic emulsions, styrene acrylics. The use in systems based on vinyl acrylic emulsions, vinyl maleates and VeoVa should be evaluated.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	Milkey white liquid
Non-volatile content (%)	30- 31
Volatile Material (%)	Water 69 a 70
Specific Gravity	1.03 to 1.07 (water=1)
Solubility in water	Unlimited
Steam density (Air = 1)	<1 ref. water
Boiling Point	212° F /100°C
Viscosity (Cps) max	100
Evaporation rate	<1 ref. water
pH	3,0 – 4,0

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

APPLICATIONS

- Tile grouts and Mortars
- Plasters
- Systems: Acrylics, Styrene Acrylic systems, Vinyl Acrylics, Acrylic Maleates and VeoVa

KEY PROPERTIES

High viscosity rheological modifier - Excellent KU viscosity enhancer.

Provides extremely high thickening capacity.

High thixotropic efficiency.

Superior performance and appearance when compared to cellulosic modifiers.

Easy to handle.

High shelf life stability.

High resistance to microbial spoilage.

INCORPORATION

RHEOLATE® SH 03 it is an expandable alkali thickener and requires that the pH be adjusted to achieve maximum performance and efficiency. The paints must be formulated with a pH above 7.0.

It is recommended to dilute **RHEOLATE® SH 03** with water (3 H₂O: 1 RHEOLATE® - maximum ratio) prior to addition, always with stirring.

No pre-neutralization of **RHEOLATE® SH 03** is required.

Adjustment with ammonia or amino methyl propanol for complete activation must be done before addition of **RHEOLATE® SH 03**.

Due to its high mechanical strength, a part of the product can be added in the dispersion phase, always with a pH above 7.0.

Addition at Letdown is the typical procedure, maintaining adequate stirring and pH should be above 7.0.

LEVELS OF USE

We recommend the use of 0.8% to 1.2% by weight. Please run a ladder test to determine the most suitable dosage before use.

Dosage is also changed according to the type of finish to be done, by percentage of system solids and final PVC.

Coalescents and/or surfactants in the formula can change the final rheological behavior of the formulation.

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® SH 03 should be kept above 4°C (40°F). In the event of accidental freezing, thaw gently, spread portion between glass slides and examine for granules. If found, Do Not Use.

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SHELF LIFE

RHEOLATE® SH 03 has a shelf life of 12 (twelve) 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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