

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

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BENTONE® ULTIMATE LC

Non-animal origin rheological additive for cosmetics and toiletries

GENERAL INFORMATION

BENTONE ULTIMATE LC is a specially prepared dispersion of an organically modified hectorite in a low carbon chain alkane.

This grade is designed with a high active content to impart rheological control and suspension in cosmetic products. Due to **BENTONE ULTIMATE LC's** volatility, it is an excellent alternative to cyclopentasiloxane based products.

BENTONE ULTIMATE LC applies easily without leaving a greasy film on the skin. It provides thermostable viscosity control of the emulsion's oil phase, improves application properties, enhances skin-feel, improves suspension and imparts a pleasant residual silkiness to the skin. It is also particularly useful in emulsions and can be used in "cold process" systems.

BENTONE ULTIMATE LC is an alternative to traditional polymer or cellulose-based thickeners for stabilising emulsions.

INCI NAME

C9-12 Alkane, Distearidimonium Hectorite, Glyceryl Oleate

KEY PROPERTIES

Non-animal origin

Rheological control

- Predictable, reproducible and stable viscosity control
- Shear-thinning viscosity
- Excellent suspension of pigments and actives
- Controlled alignment of special-effect pigments
- Thermostable viscosity raises apparent melting point and ensures cost-efficient use of UV filters
- Emulsion stabilisation [w/o and o/w]

Convenience

- Optimally pre-activated and dispersed organoclay
- Incorporates with medium-shear mixing
- Can be added at any convenient stage of manufacture
- Gives a high degree of formulating flexibility
- Provides highly reproducible results for multi-site production requirements

Acceptability

- Non-abrasive
- Provides smooth feel to skin
- Toxicologically safe ingredients

CHEMICAL & PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Color / Form	Tan Paste
Viscosity, Brookfield Helipath, TF spindle, mm cps @ 0.5 rpm	8.0—17.0
Infrared	To match standard
% Ash	8.5—12.5
Microbial Content	Less than 100 cfu/g

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

APPLICATIONS

- Face and body care
- Lipsticks
- Colour cosmetics
- Sun care products
- Antiperspirants

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INCORPORATION

BENTONE ULTIMATE LC can be added at any convenient suitable stage during the manufacturing cycle.

BENTONE ULTIMATE additive is a very high viscosity, shear-thinning product. To ensure good homogeneous mixing is achieved, care must be taken to overcome the large viscosity differential existing between the **BENTONE GEL** and the other lower viscosity components. Choice of mixing equipment and the configuration within the mixing vessels are critical factors in developing the optimum performance of the **BENTONE ULTIMATE**. The use of high-shear mixing equipment is recommended.

BATCH PROCESSING

Single Phase Systems : Always add the **BENTONE ULTIMATE**, under shear, to a portion of the organic component or solvent with which it is most compatible. Mix until homogeneous before adding the other ingredients.

Multi-Phase Systems e.g. emulsions : Treat as the single phase but always ensure the **BENTONE ULTIMATE** additive is thoroughly mixed in before the emulsification stage.

Continuous Processing : The **BENTONE ULTIMATE** should be added to the oil phase at any convenient point that meets the above guidelines for batch processing. In multi-manifold systems, a flowable pre-mix of the **BENTONE ULTIMATE** with a compatible oil or solvent should be made in a side pot.

LEVELS OF USE

The level of use of the **BENTONE ULTIMATE** will depend on the formulation. Suspension and stability benefits can be achieved with 1-10 % additions. Novel emulsification effects can be achieved, giving light feel and lower viscosities.

COMPATIBILITY

BENTONE ULTIMATE additives can contribute greatly to a formulation's stability by improving the compatibility of other ingredients. Care should be taken to determine the compatibility of the **BENTONE ULTIMATE** additive with the oils, actives or surfactant ingredients within a formulation. The wide range of grades available allows selection of the optimal carrier and organoclay for each system. The use of cationic materials should be avoided with **BENTONE ULTIMATE** additives.

HEALTH & 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.

SHELF LIFE

BENTONE ULTIMATE LC has a minimum shelf life of 2 (two) years from date of manufacture.

STORAGE RECOMMENDATIONS

Store away from excessive heat.

QUALITY ASSURANCE

Quality and continuous improvement are paramount to our business. Facility manufacturing **Bentone Gels®** has established strong integrated management system and holds ISO 9001, ISO 14001, ISO 45001 and EFCI GMP certifications.

SUSTAINABILITY

BENTONE ULTIMATE LC is a raw material approved under the RSPO Mass Balance system.



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