



Product Bulletin

BIO-TERGE® AS-40 HA

Product Name

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INCI Name

Applications

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Sodium C₁₄₋₁₆ Olefin Sulfonate

BIO-TERGE AS-40 HA is an aqueous solution of sodium olefin sulfonate which is produced by the continuous sulfonation of alpha olefins via Stepan's falling film process. Stepan's process minimizes the formation of disulfonates thereby offering a consistent high quality product.

BIO-TERGE AS-40 HA is an ideal surfactant for a variety of detergent and personal care applications including hand soaps, shampoos, and bath products. It offers the formulator excellent viscosity and foam characteristics, as well as improved mildness over lauryl sulfates. It is more stable than alcohol sulfates over a broad pH range. BIO-TERGE AS-40 HA is preserved by excess alkalinity which allows the formulator flexibility when choosing a preservative for their finished formulation.

Typical Properties

Appearance at 25°C.....	Clear liquid
Actives (MW 315), %	39.1
Unulfonated Matter, %	0.90
Sodium Chloride, %	0.40
Sodium Sulfate, %	0.78
pH, 10% aqueous	11.7
Color (Klett, 5% active)	55
Viscosity, cps at 25°C	125
Cloud Point (as is), °C (°F).....	7 (45)
Pour Point, °C (°F)	-4 (25)
Freeze Point, °C (°F).....	-7 (19)
Flash Point (PMCC), °C (°F)	>94 (>201)
Boiling Point, °C (°F)	>100 (>212)
Density, g/ml (lbs/U.S. gal).....	1.05 (8.79)
Critical Micelle Concentration, mg/L.....	301
RVOC, U.S. EPA, %	0
Preservative	Not required

Biodegradability

Product is readily biodegradable. A detailed biodegradability statement is available upon request.

Toxicity

BIO-TERGE AS-40 HA has not been tested, however, due to high alkalinity it is anticipated that the product would be corrosive to skin and eye when used "as is". BIO-TERGE AS-40 HA is slightly toxic orally (LD₅₀ = 1.3-2.4 g/kg) in rats and causes moderate skin and eye irritation at 10% active.

Storage & Handling

Normal safety precautions (i.e. the use of gloves and safety goggles) should be employed when handling BIO-TERGE AS-40 HA. Contact with the eyes and prolonged contact with the skin should be avoided. Wash thoroughly after handling material.

It is recommended that BIO-TERGE AS-40 HA be stored in sealed containers and kept at temperatures above 50°F (10°C). Avoid overheating or freezing. This material can gel and separate if exposed to cooler temperatures. Heat it slowly with mild agitation to insure its homogeneity before use.

Bulk Storage Information: Tanks made of 316 stainless steel or fiberglass with Atlac 382 corrosion liner are recommended. Positive displacement gear pumps and piping should be 316 stainless steel. Recommended storage for bulk tanks is 80-100°F (27-38°C).

Standard Packaging: BIO-TERGE AS-40 HA is available in bulk, totes and 55 gallon drums (450 lb/204 kg).

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Occupational exposure can occur primarily through skin contact or via inhalation of vapors and mists. Engineering controls, personal protective equipment, and other workplace practices should be used to control these exposures.

Clearances

All components of BIO-TERGE AS-40 HA are listed in the following countries; Australia (AICS), Canada (DSL), China (IECSC), Europe (EINECS), Korea (ECL), New Zealand (NZIOC), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS) and United States (TSCA).

Product Stewardship

This product bulletin has been written in accordance with ACC's Product Stewardship guidelines.

Additional Safety Information

A Material Safety Data Sheet is available upon request.

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