

DMPA[®]

Ester & Metallic Salt Derivatives of DMPA® Dimethylolpropionic Acid

CAS Number: 4767-03-7

DMPA[®] Dimethylolpropionic Acid is a versatile compound having two different functional groups on a central carbon atom. These groups being both hydroxyl and carboxyl make **DMPA[®]** capable of reacting as a glycol or as an acid.

Specifications

Property	Regular Grade
Hydroxyl Content, wt %	24.0 min
Neutralization Equivalent	141.0 max
Ash as Na ₂ O, wt %	0.03 max
Moisture, wt %	0.3 max
Water Insolubles, ppm	50.0 max
Colour, APHA	250 max

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Characteristics of DMPA®

	Regular Grade
Appearance	Off-white crystalline solid
Molecular Weight	134
Neutral Equivalent	141 max
Melting Point, °C	170 - 180
Hydroxyl Value, mgKOH / g	24 min
Specific Gravity @ 25°C	1.355
Moisture Content, %	0.5 max
Solubility in Water	Soluble
Solubility in Methanol	Soluble
Solubility in Acetone	Slightly soluble
Solubility in Benzene	Insoluble

Esters of DMPA[®]

Esters are easily prepared at low temperatures through the carboxyl groups of the DMPA[®] molecule by using an excess of alcohol over the theoretical equivalent. P-toluenesulfonic acid can be used as the catalyst (0.7% based on DMPA[®]). After neutralizing with sodium carbonate the esters can be distilled under vacuum.

Some esters prepared from DMPA[®] and the corresponding aliphatic monohydric alcohol are shown in the following table:

Ester of DMPA	Density @ 25°C	Boiling Point	Refractive Index
Methyl	1.1760	130°C / 5 mm Hg	1.4566
Ethyl	1.1099	119°C / 2.5 mm Hg	1.4522
Butyl	1.0489	137°C / 3 mm Hg	1.4498
Allyl	1.1036	115°C / 2 mm Hg	1.4557
2-Ethylhexyl	0.9875	160°C / 2 mm Hg	1.4542

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All of these esters, with the exception of the allyl ester, were prepared at atmospheric pressure. The allyl ester was prepared in a pressure reactor at 160-180°C and 14-16 kg / cm2. In the case of the allyl ester, it is preferable to start with the sodium salt of **DMPA**[®] and allyl chloride, using triethylamine as a catalyst.

Metallic Salts of DMPA[®]

These salts were prepared by the addition of the metallic carbonate to a water dilution of **DMPA**[®]. The reactor was kept at 95-100°C to remove the carbon dioxide. The reaction mixture was filtered hot and cooled to isolate the metallic salt.

Salt of DMPA [®]					
Hydroxyl Value		Melting Point,°C			
	(%OH) Actual	c ,			
Calcium	22.10	243 - 244			
Zinc	20.92	> 270			
Cadmium	18.53	233 - 234			
Barium	17.43	248 - 249			
Lead	12.74	162 - 167			

Registration & Regulatory Information: Please refer to the safety datasheet.

Handling & Storage: DMPA[®] is classified as "DOT not regulated" by the US Department of Transportation and requires no special labelling for shipment. The Harmonized Tariff Code is 2918.19.40

DMPA® should be stored in a clean, dry area, following good warehousing practices.

Shelf-life: DMPA[®] has a minimum shelf of not less than 3 years if stored in its original unopened container and under normal storage conditions.

Miscellaneous: DMPA[®] is packaged in 250lb fibre drums, 50lb and 25kg multi-wall paper bags with HDPE liners and 500kg super sacks with LDPE liners.

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