

DMPA®

DMPA[®] Dimethylolpropionic Acid

CAS Number: 4767-03-7

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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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Typical Properties*	
Property	Value
Molecular Weight	134.13
Acid Number, mg KOH / g	410 - 415
Melting Point, °C	170 - 180
Flashpoint (Cleveland Open Cup), °C	220
Decomposition Temperature, °C	230
Bulk Density, lbs / ft3	52.4
Solubility, g / 100g solvent @ 25°C	
Water	11
Acetone	2.3
Ethanol	insoluble

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The neopentyl structure of this trifunctional compound, having two primary hydroxyl groups and one tertiary carboxylic group, permits simplified processing by allowing the combining of all reactants in a single kettle charge. Good control of the reaction is possible due to the slower esterification rate of the tertiary carboxyl, assuring a uniform distribution of carboxyl groups along the resin backbone.

The free acid group actively promotes resin water solubility or water dispersibility after neutralization with a base, easily introduces a polar group to improve coating adhesion and synthetic fibre dye receptivity, and increases the alkali solubility of deposited films.

DMPA[®] is an odourless, free flowing white crystalline solid, which provides superior advantages in the formulation and processing of water soluble resins.

* The typical values presented here are believed to be accurate; they should not, however be considered to constitute a specification.

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Applications

DMPA[®] is widely used in:

- Aqueous urethane dispersions, resulting in fast air-drying, high gloss waterborne coatings with superior toughness and flexibility.
- Water soluble alkyd and polyester resins for improved hydrolytic stability, minimal coupling solvent and improved early water spot resistance in air dried resins.
- Powder coatings as a modifier for improved gloss, impact resistance and flow properties in epoxy-polyester systems. In polyester blocked isocyanate systems, DMPA imparts a high melting point hydroxyl functional reactive diluent for improved coating flexibility.
- Epoxy ester coatings, to permit resin formulating flexibility for improved cure response or larger oil strengths, to make resins water soluble, and for electro-deposition resins.
- Urethane elastomers, as a modifier for improved adhesion to plastics, glass and steel.
- Electro-deposition coatings, as a high performance neutralizing acid for cathodic electro-deposition and as a source of free acid groups in formulating anodic electro-deposition resins.
- Nylon / polyester fibre blends for improved compatibility and tear resistance.
- Lubricating oil additives, as a carrier for thiophosphates or in rust inhibiting derivatives.
- Photo resists / photo print plates, as a modifier of phenolic and urethane resists for improved alkali solubility and improved resolution in aqueous development systems.

Additional data on uses of **DMPA**[®] and patent references may be found in "A Complete Guide to the **DMPA**[®] Brand of Dimethylolpropionic Acid" which can be obtained from your GEO Specialty Chemicals customer service representative.

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Toxicity

DMPA[®] is essentially non-toxic. Tests with white mice indicate an LD50 for oral ingestion of greater than 5000mg / kg. No data is available on inhalation of **DMPA**[®] dust; no problems have been reported. **DMPA**[®] is not irritating to intact skin but may be slightly irritating to abraded skin. It is moderately irritating to the eyes with the irritation limited to the conjunctival area.

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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