



## Technical Data Sheet

### DOWSIL™ 71 Additive

Polymeric silicone foam control agent

#### Features & Benefits

- Effective foam control for waterborne systems
- Performs at low concentrations
- No hydrophobic particles
- Stable under high shear mixing
- Readily incorporates into waterborne systems

#### Composition

- Solventless
- 100% active

#### Applications

- Effective foam control in a variety of waterborne coatings. Reduced air entrainment during manufacture, handling and application of the coating.
- Particularly for waterborne inks balancing effective foam control and good surface appearance.
- May be used as an antifoam in inks and overprint varnishes applied to either the food-contact or non-food-contact side of paper, paperboard, films and foils.

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#### Typical Properties

Specification Writers: These values are not intended for use in preparing specifications.

CTM <sup>1</sup>	Property	Unit	Result
1100 A	Appearance		Clear colorless to tan hazy liquid
	Appearance in Water		Hazy emulsion
1100 G	Specific Gravity at 25°C (77°F)		1.0
1100 N	Viscosity at 25°C (77°F)	m Pas	500
1100 L	Flash Point, Closed Cup	°C (°F)	> 100 (> 212)
	Actives Content	%	100
	Surface Tension, 0.1%	MN/m	26.4 (aqueous)
	Cloud Point	°C (°F)	< 0 (< 32)
	Hydrophilicity, HLB Range		1.31

1. CTM: Corporate Test Method. Copies of CTMs are available upon request.

## Description

DOWSIL™ 71 Additive shows good compatibility in waterborne coating and ink systems and has a low tendency to cause surface defects. It is particularly suited for applications where high shear stability and ease of incorporation are needed. DOWSIL™ 71 Additive does not contain hydrophobic particles that can settle out of low viscosity systems, create surface defects or build up on application equipment.

To further assist in assessing compatibility within a formulation, solubility data for some typical solvents is shown in Table 1.

**Table 1:** DOWSIL™ 71 Additive solubility in selected solvents at 0.1% and 1% addition levels.

I = Insoluble, D = Disperses, S = Soluble, H = Hazy appearance, SH = Slightly hazy appearance, C = Clear appearance; 1 or 2 indicates number of phases or layers visible

Weight Percent DOWSIL™ 71 Additive in Solvent	Water	Isopropanol	Acetone	Hexane	Propylene Glycol
1.00%	I, H, 2	S, C, 1	S, C, 1	S, C, 1	S, C, 1
0.10%	D, SH, 1	S, C, 1	S, C, 1	S, C, 1	S, C, 1

## How to Use

The recommended addition level of DOWSIL™ 71 Additive is 0.05 to 1% as supplied, based on total formulation. DOWSIL™ 71 Additive can be added at any point of the manufacturing process from the pigment grind to letdown stages. Addition of DOWSIL™ 71 Additive early in the manufacturing process is recommended to provide maximum processing efficiency and avoid air entrainment during mixing. DOWSIL™ 71 Additive can be added directly or prediluted with alcohols or polyglycols.

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## Usable Life and Storage

When stored between 0 and 40°C (32 and 104°F) in the original, unopened container, DOWSIL™ 71 Additive has a usable life of 24 months from the date of production.

## Packaging Information

DOWSIL™ 71 Additive is available in 18 kg (39.7 lb) pails and 200 kg (441 lb) drums

Samples are available in 120 mL (4 fl oz) quantities.

## Limitations

This product is neither tested nor represented as suitable for medical or pharmaceutical uses.

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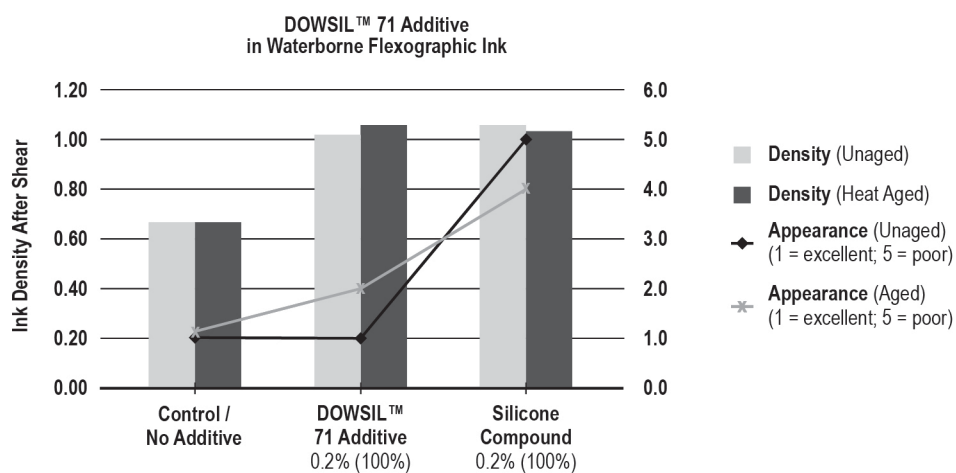
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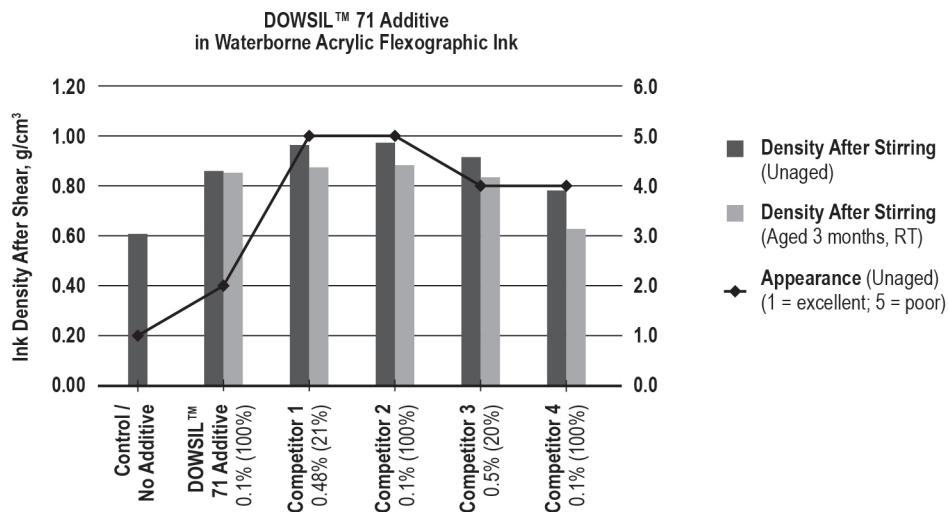
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**Figure 1:** DOWSIL™ 71 Additive at 0.2 weight percent (100% actives) in waterborne flexographic ink. Density reported after shearing 10 minutes at 3000 rpm using dissolver blade for unaged and heat aged (2 days/40°C [104°F]) inks. Appearance assessed for film on cardboard substrate where 1 = excellent and 5 = poor. Results also are shown for a silicone compound at 0.2% (100% actives) in the same ink system.



**Figure 2:** DOWSIL™ 71 Additive is proven to effectively resist foam at lower levels (0.1 weight percent) while maintaining an excellent surface appearance in a second waterborne acrylic flexographic ink. Density reported after shearing 10 minutes at 2800 rpm using dissolver blade for unaged and aged (3 months/RT) inks. Appearance assessed on cardboard substrate where 1 = excellent and 5 = poor. Results are shown versus competitor silicone emulsions and compounds in the same ink system.

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