Technical Data Sheet

**DOWSIL™ 27 Additive**

Primarily used in reducing coefficient of friction

**Features & Benefits**
- Solventless
- Silicone glycol surfactant with both silicone and organic characteristics
- Effective at low concentrations
- Reducing coefficient of friction

**Composition**
- Amber liquid
- Silicone glycol copolymer

**Applications**
- May be incorporated into solvent, aqueous, solventless and energy curable systems

**Typical Properties**

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

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<td>Specific Gravity at 25°C (77°F)</td>
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<td>Flash Point, Closed Cup</td>
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<td>Surface Tension, 0.1 % Surfactant in Water</td>
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<td>Viscosity at 25°C (77°F)</td>
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**Description**

DOWSIL™ 27 Additive is a silicone glycol surfactant with both silicone and organic characteristics. DOWSIL™ 27 Additive is supplied as a 100 percent active fluid.

DOWSIL™ 27 Additive has been especially effective at reducing the coefficient of friction in both a waterbased acrylic flexographic ink and in a UV overprint varnish that consisted of a blend of a chlorinatted polyester, a urethane diacrylate and a diacrylate.
Description (Cont.)

Test Conditions
In both of these applications, the control consisted of the formulation with no additive added. The coefficient of friction was tested using the Monitor Slip and Friction, Model 32-06, supplied by Testing Machines, Inc., using a 4 pound weight and testing at a rate of 6 inches per minute. The ink and overprint varnish were drawn down on an NWH Lenetta chart and tested against the uncoated NWH Lenetta chart.

Results
In the water-based acrylic flexographic ink, the addition of DOWSIL™ 27 Additive at 0.5 weight percent based on actives gave a 25 percent reduction in the static and kinetic coefficient of friction over the control along with a 44 percent increase in 85° gloss. In the overprint varnish, the addition of DOWSIL™ 27 Additive at 0.5 weight percent based on actives gave a 63 percent reduction in the static and kinetic coefficient of friction over the control.

How to Use

DOWSIL™ 27 Additive is effective at low concentrations. The amount required depends on the type of formulation, the resin system involved, the solvents used and the total system solids. DOWSIL™ 27 Additive is generally effective at concentrations ranging from 0.1 to 1.0 weight percent, based on total solids. DOWSIL™ 27 Additive should be added in low enough concentrations to prevent contamination. Dilute in suitable solvent or water. DOWSIL™ 27 Additive is typically added during the final thinning stage or is post-added.

Characteristics may vary when used with different systems and formulations. Thorough preproduction testing is necessary to ensure expected performance.

Figure 1. Static Coefficient of Friction Versus Additive

Handling
Precautions

Caution: Direct contact with eyes may cause irritation.

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Usable Life and Storage

When stored between 50°C (122°F) and -50°C (-58°F), DOWSIL™ 27 Additive has a shelf life of 30 months from date of manufacture.

Packaging Information

DOWSIL™ 27 Additive is available in 4 oz (100 g) samples, 40 lb (18.1 kg) pails and 441 lb (200 kg) drums.

Limitations

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

Shipping Limitations

Combustible liquid. Store and ship in appropriate containers.

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