#### **Technical Information**

## Rheovis® HS 1212

(old: Rheovis® 112)



general Rheovis® HS 1212 is an outstanding mid-shear thickener and

rheology-control agent for aqueous coatings.

chemical nature hydrophobic modified acrylic swellable copolymer emulsion (HASE) in

water

**Properties** 

physical form white liquid (dispersion)

shelf life Subject to appropriate storage under the usual storage and

temperature conditions, our products are durable for at least 1 year.

typical properties (no supply specification)

solid content ~ 40%
density at 20°C ~ 1.05 g/cm³
Brookfield viscosity at 25°C,20 rpm ~ 5 mPa.s
pH ~ 3.2

## **Application**

Rheovis® HS 1212 is an outstanding rheology-control thickener for water based coatings to increase viscosity in the mid-shear range.

The polymer provides the rheology–control effect through extensive swelling of the high-molecular-weight polymer in combination with a hydrophobic component in alkali, in the presence of water.

This leads to superior coatings-build up and low spattering, ideal for a broad range of matt to semi-gloss interior and exterior coatings.

Rheovis® HS 1212 is most effective between pH 8 to 10.

- Mid shear thickener
- Improve flow
- Outstanding efficiency
- For paints and plasters

# recommended concentrations and incorporation

typical dosage is between 1.0 to 3.5 percent Rheovis® HS 1212, calculated on total formulation. This provides a good balance of performance and application properties.

We recommend to determine the optimum level of Rheovis® HS 1212 by laboratory trials to achieve optimum performance.

Rheovis® HS 1212 can be added at any stage of the production process. In this case, the first step is to adjust the pH of the polymer dispersion so that it is in the alkaline range. A thin stream of Rheovis® HS 1212 can then be added by continuous stirring. Afterwards the pH should be checked again and adjusted to 8-10.

Rheovis® HS 1212 can also be mixed into polymer dispersions in the form of an alkaline solution. The solid content of the solution should not be higher than 1% to ease the handling. It is recommended to dilute the thickener with water and add alkaline whilst stirring. Check and adjust pH afterwards.

Depending on applications, it can be advisable to use Rheovis® HS 1212 in combination with other Rheovis® thickeners or cellulose derivatives in order to obtain the required effects.

## Safety

When handling these products, please comply with the advice and information given in the safety data sheet and observe protective and workplace hygiene measures adequate for handling chemicals.

### Note

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