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Acrylic acid ester, for manufacturing polymers and for use as a feed stock for syntheses

Molecular formula

Product specification

C7H12O2

Assay (Gas chromatography)
Water content (ASTM E 203)
Acid content (calc. as acrylic acid)

(ASTM D 1613) Color on dispatch

(APHA, ASTM D 1209)

Standard stabilization
(ASTM D 3125 or HPLC)

min. 99.50 %

Molar mass: 128.2 kg/kmol

max. 0.050 %

max. 0.0100 %

max. 10

15 ± 5 ppm MEHQ

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Other properties

Appearance clear, colorless
Physical form liquid
Odor pungent
Density at 20 °C 0.898 g/cm³
Refractive index n_D at 20 °C 1.4185
Boiling point approx. 148 °C
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Specific heat of liquid 1.93 kJ/(kg · K)

Heat of evaporation at boiling point 292 kJ/kg

Heat of polymerization 504 kJ/kg

Vapor pressure

at 0°C
at 20 °C
Temperature rating for electrical

1.4 mbar
5.4 mbar
T 3 (200-300°C)

equipment

Labelling according to local Directives

see SDS

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Applications

Butyl Acrylate forms homo- and copolymers. Copolymers of Butyl Acrylate can be prepared with acrylic acid and its salts, amides and esters, methacrylates, acrylonitrile, maleates, vinyl acetate, vinyl chloride, vinylidene chloride, styrene, butadiene, unsaturated polyesters, and drying oils. Butyl Acrylate is also an important feedstock for chemical syntheses because it readily undergoes addition reactions with many organic and inorganic compounds.

Storage & Handling

In order to prevent polymerization, Butyl Acrylate must always be stored under air, and never under inert gases. The presence of oxygen is required for the stabilizer to function effectively. It has to contain a stabilizer and the storage temperature must not exceed 35 °C. Under these conditions, a storage stability of one year can be expected upon delivery. In order to minimize the likelihood of overstorage, the storage procedure should strictly follow the "first-in-first-out" principle. For extended storage periods over 4 weeks it is advisable to replenish the dissolved oxygen content.

Storage tanks and pipes should be made of stainless steel or aluminum. Although Butyl Acrylate does not corrode carbon steel, there is a risk of contamination if corrosion does occur.

Regulations for the storage of flammable liquids must be observed (explosion-proof electrical equipment, vented tanks with flame arresters etc.). Storage tanks, pumps and pipes must be earthed.

For more detailed information please consult also the brochure "SAFE HANDLING AND STORAGE OF ACRYLIC ESTERS" of EBAM.

Safety

A Safety Data Sheet has been compiled for Butyl Acrylate that contains up-to-date information on questions relevant to safety.

Note

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