

Cadox M-50a

Methyl ethyl ketone peroxide

Cadox® M-50a is a highly reactive industry standard MEKP formulation for curing promoted unsaturated polyester matrices at room temperature.

CAS number 1338-23-4

EINECS/ELINCS No. 215-661-2

TSCA status listed on inventory

Specifications

Appearance, 20-25°C	Clear liquid
Total active oxygen	8.9 %

Characteristics

Density, 20 °C	1.0 g/cm ³
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Applications

Cadox® M-50a is a multipurpose catalyst for the room temperature cure of promoted unsaturated polyester resins.

Unpromoted unsaturated polyester resins can be heat-cured with Cadox® M-50a in the temperature range of 100-127°C.

Cadox® M-50a VR also has a high MEKP monomer content which may provide faster gel times in some resin systems.

Additional end-use information is available in Nouryon's brochures.

Thermal stability

Organic peroxides are thermally unstable substances, which may undergo self-accelerating decomposition. The lowest temperature at which self-accelerating decomposition of a substance in the original packaging may occur is the Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature (SADT). The SADT is determined on the basis of the Heat Accumulation Storage Test.

SADT	60°C (140°F)
Method	The Heat Accumulation Storage Test is a recognized test method for the
	determination of the SADT of organic peroxides (see Recommendations on the
	Transport of Dangerous Goods, Manual of Tests and Criteria - United Nations, New
	York and Geneva).

Storage

Due to the relatively unstable nature of organic peroxides a loss of quality can be detected over a period of time. To minimize the loss of quality, Nouryon recommends a maximum storage temperature (Ts max.) for each organic peroxide product.

Ts Max.	30°C (86°F) for AMER and 25°C (77°F) for EMEIA
Note	When stored under these recommended storage conditions Cadox® M-50a will remain within the Nouryon specifications for a period of at least 3 months for
	AMER and 6 months for EMEIA after delivery.

Packaging and transport

In North America Cadox® M-50a is packed in non-returnable, 1 gallon polyethylene containers of 8 lb net weight (4 per case) and in 5 gallon polyethylene containers of 40 lb net weight. In other regions it is packed in 20 kg cans. Both packaging and transport meet the international regulations. For the availability of other packed quantities contact your Nouryon representative. Cadox® M-50a is classified as Organic peroxide type D; liquid; Division 5. 2; UN 3105.

Safety and handling

Keep containers tightly closed. Store and handle Cadox® M-50a in a dry well-ventilated place away from sources of heat or ignition and direct sunlight. Never weigh out in the storage room. Avoid contact with reducing agents (e. g. amines), acids, alkalis and heavy metal compounds (e. g. accelerators, driers and metal soaps). Please refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for further information on the safe storage, use and handling of Cadox® M-50a. This information should be thoroughly reviewed prior to acceptance of this product. The SDS is available at nouryon.com/sds-search.

Major decomposition products

Carbon dioxide, Water, Acetic acid, Formic acid, Propionic acid, Methyl ethyl ketone

Additional information

AMER = Americas, EMEIA = Europe, Middle East, India and Africa

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