ALFOL 8 Alcohol

Technical Data Sheet



Description

Sasol Chemicals ALFOL 8 Alcohol is high purity, petrochemical-based 1-octanol (also known as octyl alcohol). ALFOL 8 Alcohol is a colorless liquid with a sweet pungent odor. ALFOL 8 Alcohol is classified as readily biodegradable in standard ready biodegradability tests. ALFOL 8 Alcohol can be esterified, ethoxylated, propoxylated, sulfated, oxidized, etc. Sasol Chemicals ALFOL alcohols are physically and chemically equivalent to corresponding oleochemical-based alcohols derived from such sources as coconut oil or palm oil.

Applications

ALFOL 8 Alcohol can be used as a high purity feedstock for all of the chemical reactions in which primary alcohols are routinely employed. In addition, ALFOL 8 Alcohol can be used directly in numerous personal care and technical formulations. Some of Sasol Chemicals ALFOL alcohols meet the FDA specification for use in Direct and Indirect Food Contact Applications.

Properties

Typical physical properties are listed in the table to the right. Actual properties will vary from lot to lot.

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Typical Properties	ALFOL 8
Avg. Molecular Weight, g/mol	130
Total Alcohol, wt. %	99.5
Homolog Distribution, wt. %	
C6OH & lower	0.5 max.
C8OH	98.6 min.
C10OH & higher	0.5 max.
Water, wt. %	0.1 max.
Hydroxyl Number, mg KOH/g	424 – 434
Carbonyl, as C=O, ppm	80 max.
Acid Number, mg KOH/g	0.05 max.
Iodine Number, mg I ₂ /100 mg	0.2 max.
Saponification Number	0.4 max.
Color, APHA	10 max.
Density, g/mL @ 40°C / 104°F	0.812
Flash Point, °C (°F)	82 (180)
Pour Point, °C (°F)	-16 (3)
Boiling Range, °C (°F)	194 – 196 (381 – 385)
Viscosity, cSt @ 40°C / 104°F	5.8
Appearance, room temperature	clear, colorless liquid
Vapor Pressure, mmHg @ 20°C	0.1 max.
Vapor Density, air = 1	4.5
Solubility (water)	insoluble
INCI Name	Caprylic Alcohol

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