

## **TUBICOAT FIXIERER HT**

Characterization Auxiliary for increasing the degree of crosslinking of synthetic dispersions

Chemical Structure Melamine resin with low formaldehyde content

Supplied Form Clear, colourless liquid

Ionic character Nonionic

**pH Value of a 10 % Solution** 7.5 – 9.5

**Solubility** TUBICOAT FIXIERER HT is miscible with water in any ratio.

Stability Due to its nonionic character TUBICOAT FIXIERER HT is well compatible

with most of the auxiliaries commonly used in textile finishing. Preliminary

trials are nevertheless absolutely necessary.

In acid medium, especially with high temperatures, a more or less rapid

crosslinkage takes place depending on the application amount.

Storage In a cool place, not below +5 °C, in tightly closed original containers. We

propose a storage time of not more than 6 months. Opened containers have

to be reclosed tightly.

## **Properties**

TUBICOAT FIXIERER HT is a melamine resin with several reactive groups. Therefore, it is excellently suitable for increasing the degree of crosslinking of synthetic dispersions. An increased degree of crosslinking consequently leads to a higher resistance to humidity and to solvents as well as to improved mechanical-physical properties. Thus the application of TUBICOAT FIXIERER HT is always advisable if coatings based on dispersions shall have a high fastness level.

As TUBICOAT FIXIERER HT is a fully etherified resin, it has a low content of free formaldehyde which can be separated.

Crosslinkage takes place at temperatures of more than 120  $^{\circ}$ C and is catalyzed by acid donors like ammonium salts or MgCl<sub>2</sub>.



## **Application Procedure**

TUBICOAT FIXIERER HT is usually applied for most of the aqueous coating pastes or foam coating. Normally it is stirred in only just before use and then a pH value of at least 8 is adjusted with a little bit of ammonia. Foamable pastes normally need a higher pH value. With this measure you can achieve a sufficiently high stability and avoid a premature crosslinkage.

## **Application Amounts**

The application amounts mainly depend on the desired requirements and the requested fastnesses. 10 - 30 g/kg fixing agent are normally added to compounds for paste coating.

With foamable compounds like black-out coatings, microporous coatings and others usually 30 - 50 g/kg are applied.

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