

## K-FLEX<sup>®</sup> DP Product Description

Emerald<sup>®</sup> K-FLEX DP is dipropylene glycol dibenzoate, which is one of the oldest members of the benzoate plasticizer family and one of the most versatile polar, high solvating plasticizers still commercially available. K-FLEX DP is compatible with a wide range of polar polymers and rubbers and is often blended with other plasticizers such as K-FLEX DE (diethylene glycol dibenzoate).

K-FLEX DP is useful in a wide variety of applications including:

- Latex adhesives
- Latex caulks and sealants
- Sealants
- Coatings
- Plasticsols
- Melt compounded flexible vinyl compositions

K-FLEX DP is an excellent choice for applications requiring a high solvating plasticizer.

## Specifications

Acidity, as benzoic acid, maximum, %.....	0.1
Assay, as benzoate ester, minimum, %.....	98.0
Color, maximum, APHA.....	100

## Typical Properties

Assay, as benzoate ester, %.....	>98
Boiling point, 5 mmHg, °C.....	195
Boiling point, 750 mmHg (extrapolated), °C.....	>350
Color, APHA.....	50
Density, ASTM D1475, 25°C, g/mL.....	1.11
Density, ASTM D1475, 25°C, lbs/gal.....	9.3
Flash point, ASTM D92, °C.....	204
Glass point, by DSC, °C.....	-51
Moisture content, %.....	0.02
Refractive index, 25°C.....	1.5238
Solidification point, °C.....	-31
Solubility, in water, %.....	0.20
Solubility, water in, %.....	0.40
Solubility parameter, Small's, Hildebrands.....	9.5
Specific gravity, 25/25°C.....	1.11
Surface tension, ASTM D1331, 25°C, dynes/cm.....	42.8
Vapor pressure, 25°C (extrapolated), mmHg.....	2.57 x 10 <sup>-6</sup>
Viscosity, Brookfield RVT, 20 RPMs at 25°C, cps and mPa·s.....	99
Viscosity, kinematic, 25°C, cSt.....	89
VOC, ASTM D2369, %.....	3.2

## Regulatory Information

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### FDA coverage:

- 21 CFR 175.105 – Adhesives (PART 175 -- INDIRECT FOOD ADDITIVES: ADHESIVES AND COMPONENTS OF COATINGS, Subpart B -- Substances for Use Only as Components of Adhesives)
- 21 CFR 176.170 – Components of paper and paperboard in contact with aqueous and fatty foods
- 21 CFR 176.180 – Components of paper and paperboard in contact with dry food

### Global Inventories:

K-FLEX® coalescents and plasticizers are included on or exempted from many global inventories. Please reference the product safety data sheet (SDS) for current global inventory status and other regulatory information. Current SDS's can be found on our website at [www.kflex.emeraldmaterials.com](http://www.kflex.emeraldmaterials.com) or can be requested from [product.compliance@emeraldmaterials.com](mailto:product.compliance@emeraldmaterials.com).

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