

PRODUCT PROFILE



Solvents



Key Characteristics

- Low volatile organic compound (VOC) content
- Readily biodegradable
- Clear, colorless liquid
- Mild to no odor
- Excellent polymer solvency
- Controlled evaporation rate
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Cleaners & Strippers	Remove grease, lubricating oils, metal working fluids and fines from metal surfaces		
Leather Industry Solvent	Dyeing and aiding in film formation and flow		
Paints & Coatings	Solvent for water-reducible and solvent-based latex coatings		
Printing Inks	Solvents of printing inks – good alternatives to per- ceived non-environmentally friendly products such as acetates, glycol ethers, methyl ethyl ketone and other low-boiling alcohols		
Scent & Pigment	Carrier solvent		
Solvent for Resins	Polyurethane/Acrylics in adhesives and sealants		



Hansen Solubility Parameters

(FlexTrac vs Common Solvents)

Replacement for perceived HAPS solvent

- Acetates
- Acetone
- Dichloromethane (DCM)
- Glycol ethers
- N-methyl-2-Pyrrolidones (NMP)



Compatibility

		FlexaTrac-DMEs	FlexaTrac-DMS	FlexaTrac-DMG	FlexaTrac-DMA
Resin Types	Ероху	+++*	+++	+++	+++
	Acrylic	+++	+++	++	++
	Polyester	+++	+++	++	++
	Phenolics	++	+++	++	+
	Melamine-formaldehyde Resin	+++	+++	++	+
	PVBs (Polyvinyl Butyrals)	++	++	+	+
Solvent Types	Alcohols, Esters & Ketones	+++*	+++	+++	+++
	Hydrocarbons/Aromatics**	+++	+++	+++	+++
	Common Halogenated Solvents	+++	+++	+++	+++
	Water	+	+	+	+
	Glycol Ethers, Carbonates & Acetates	3 +++	+++	+++	+++

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