

Perkadox 30-PD

2,3-Dimethyl-2,3-diphenylbutane

Perkadox 30-PD is a flame-retardant synergist for polystyrene.

CAS number 1889-67-4

EINECS/ELINCS No. 217-568-2

TSCA status
listed on inventory

Molecular weight

238.4

Specifications

Active content	97.0 %
Appearance	White to off-white powder

Characteristics

Bulk density	300 kg/m³
Density	1.1 g/cm ³
Melting range	117 °C

Applications

Synergist in flame-retardant polystyrene: Polystyrene, especially expandable polystyrene, is made fire-retardant by the use of halogen-containing additives such as hexabromocyclododecane (HBCD). Initiators such as Perkadox 30-PD are commonly used as synergistic coagents to reduce the amount of HBCD required. Perkadox 30-pd is well suited to this application as it has sufficient thermal stability at the temperatures used in suspension polymerization. The addition of Perkadox 30-pd to styrene monomer immediately before the onset of polymerization will not affect the polymerization process.

Half-life data

The reactivity of a C-C initiator is usually given by its half-life (t1/2) at various temperatures. For Perkadox 30-PD in chlorobenzene:

0.1 hr	287°C
1 hr	262°C
10 hr	240°C
Formula 1	$kd = A \cdot e - Ea/RT$
Formula 2	$t^{1}/_{2} = (\ln 2)/kd$
Ea	230.64 kJ/mole
A	6.047E+18 s-1
R	8.3142 J/mole·K
Т	(273.15+°C) K

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 a C-C initiator.

Ts Max.	30°C
Note	When stored under these recommended storage conditions, Perkadox 30-PD will remain within the Nouryon specifications for a period of at least six months after
	delivery.

Packaging and transport

The standard packaging is a 20 kg bag in box. Both packaging and transport meet the international regulations. For the availability of other packed quantities contact your Nouryon representative. Perkadox 30-PD is classified as a non-dangerous good according to national and international transport regulations.

Safety and handling

Store and handle Perkadox 30-PD in a dry well-ventilated place away from sources of heat or ignition and direct sunlight. Never weigh out in the storage room. Please refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for further information on the safe storage, use and handling of Perkadox 30-PD. This information should be thoroughly reviewed prior to acceptance of this product. The SDS is available at https://polymerchemistry.nouryon.com.

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