

GILSONITE

Generic Data				
Product Name	Natural Asphalt			
Chemical Name	Gilsonite			
CAS Number	12002-43-6			
Main Use	Additive for Asphalt and Bituminous Waterproofing Compounds			
Registration Number	N/A (pre-registered as 601-660-8 on 30/11/2008)			
Index 67/548/EEC	N/A			
REACH	Not subject to REACH			
HS Code	27.14.90.00			

Description: Gilsonite is mined in underground shafts and resembles shiny, black substance similar in appearance as the mineral Obsidian. It is brittle and usually micronized into dark brown powder. It is mainly composed of asphaltenes; thus, Gilsonite Is classified as a Natural Asphalt.

Applications and Use: as additive in bituminous compounds. Thanks to the identical chemical composition (predominantly asphaltenes) the product is easily blended with the bitumen without altering its characteristics, but raising the softening point and decreasing the penetration. The final product will have a greater resistance to wear and pressure. Thanks to its lower price compared to the bitumen, it also brings an economic benefit without detriment to quality. According to the data in our possession, the product can replace, depending on the type of bitumen used and the resistance to the cold of the final product, up to 1% of the content of SBS and up to 8% of bitumen content.

Technical Specifications

TEST	Unit	min	max	Method
Ash	wt%	15	20	ASTM D-174
Solubility in CS2	wt%	85	95	ASTM-D4
Moisture	wt%	1	3	ASTM D-173
Volatiles	wt%	60	70	ASTM-D175
Fixed Carbon	wt%	20	30	ASTM-D172
Softening Point	°C	170	200	ASTM D-36
Flash Point	°C	350	420	Clevenland Open Cup
Specific Gravity	g/lt	1,01	1,10	ASTM-D3289
Particle Size	mesh	80	100	Tyler

Packaging. A) In 25 kg polyethilene bags, fusibile at 190°C, palletized o loaded in jumbo bags. B) 25 kg craft paper bags, palletized or loaded in jumbo bags. C) 25 kg Polypropilene bags, palletized or loaded in jumbo bags.











Loading Table

Loading Table (in metric tons)	In 20' FCL		In 40' FCL		In Truck	
	From	То	From	To	From	То
Palletized	12	14	21	25	21	23
In Jumbo Bags	15	17	24	26	21	



Physical/Chemical Specification

SOLUBILITY				
Chemical Group	Component	Soluble		
Aliphatic Hydrocarbons	VM&P Naphtha	YES		
	Mineral Spirits	YES		
	Solvents with KB	YES		
Aromatic Hydrocarbons	All	YES		
Alcohols	All	NO		
Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	All	YES		
Esters	Methyl Acetate	NO		
	Ethyl Acetate	Slight		
	n-Butyl Acetate	Slight		
Glycols	All	NO		
Glycol Ethers	All	NO		
Glycol Ether Esters	All	NO		
Ketones	Acetone	NO		
	MEK	NO		
	MIBK	NO		
Other Solvents	Carbon Disulfide	YES		
	Carbon Tetrachloride	YES		

Adhesive Capacity						
Coating System	Adesivity	Coating System	Adesivity			
Natural rubber	FAIR	Ethylene/vinyl acetate	GOOD			
Cellulose esters	POOR	SBS rubber	EXCELLENT			
Phenolic	GOOD	Polychloroprene rubber	EXCELLENT			
Resorcinol formaldehyde	FAIR	Nitrile rubber	FAIR			
Urea formaldehyde	GOOD	Butyl rubber/polyisobutylene	GOOD			
Melamine formaldehyde	GOOD	Silicone	GOOD			
Alkyd	GOOD	Polyurethane	FAIR			
Ероху	FAIR	Vinyl ethers	GOOD			
Polyurethane	FAIR	Resinates	GOOD			
Acrylic	FAIR	Resin modified	EXCELLENT			
Unsaturated polyester	FAIR	C9 aromatic	GOOD			
Polyaromatic	GOOD	DCPD	EXCELLENT			
Acrylic acid diester	POOR	Terpene	EXCELLENT			
Polyvinyl acetate	FAIR	Terpene phenolic	GOOD			
Polyvinyl alcohol	FAIR	Phenolic modified	GOOD			
Polyvinyl chloride	GOOD	maleic-fumaric modified	EXCELLENT			
Acrylic	FAIR	Alkyd	GOOD			
Polyamide	POOR	Shellac	POOR			
Phenoxy	POOR					

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Miscellaneous: For any other information please refer to MSDS

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