

Micronized polyamide rheology modifier for demanding applications  
Polyamide

### Typical Characteristics

Nature	<b>Polyamide</b>
Appearance	<b>Off-white micronized powder</b>
Solid Content (%)	<b>100</b>
Active Content (%)	<b>100</b>
Specific gravity	<b>0.99</b>
Bulk density	<b>0.4-0.6</b>
Melting Point (°C)	<b>128</b>
Particle size distribution	<b>DV. 1 min: 1.8 µm / DV. 9 max: 15.0 µm</b>

### Description

CRAYVALLAC® SLW is a high performance micronized amide wax rheology modifier designed for manufacture of one component Silyl-Terminated-Polymer based adhesives and sealants, especially for highly filled systems (demanding applications, High-Tack systems for instance).

### Recommended addition level

1-5% under heat and shear

### Standard Packaging

Other packaging may be available upon request

- 15 Kg Bag

### Handling & Storage

It should be stored in the original containers in a dry place at temperatures between 5°C (41°F) and 30°C (86°F). Avoid exposure to direct sunlight or frost. In these conditions, this product should be used within 48 months from delivery.

### Processing instructions

CRAYVALLAC® SLW is specially designed for manufacture of one-component Silyl-Terminated-Polymer systems where processing temperatures typically lie within the range 55 - 90°C (130 - 194°F). With moisture curing Silyl-Terminated-Polymer based sealants, CRAYVALLAC® SLW is generally added along with the initial charge of Silyl-Terminated-Polymer polymer and plasticizer to a vacuum dispersion vessel either with or without heating capability. This is then followed by the pigments and extenders. Efficient activation of CRAYVALLAC® SLW is achieved during the vacuum dispersion stage by allowing the batch temperature to rise to 55 - 90°C (130 - 194°F) for approximately 30 minutes or until the required level of dispersion is obtained and a suitable low moisture content has been achieved (typically lower than 800 ppm.). Following this, the batch temperature is lowered sufficiently to allow for the safe addition of additives such as moisture scavengers, adhesion promoters and reaction catalysts. The activation process constitutes the conversion of the CRAYVALLAC® SLW particles to an interacting network of crystalline fibers. It is this network that gives rise to the shear thinning rheology. This shear thinning characteristic provides for a low viscosity at the shear rates associated with application by extrusion, and a very high viscosity under the low shear rates experienced after application. The net result is ease of application followed by excellent sag and slump resistance. Activation at too low a temperature, or for too short a time, will result in the formation of an inefficient interacting network and consequently poor sag and slump resistance.

### Health and environmental data

For safe handling please refer to the Safety Data Sheet. For more information about health and environmental data, please contact us.

### Adhesives & Sealants

- Assembly
- Other Adhesives
- Sealants

### Key Benefits

#### Formulation

- Easy handling
- Ready to use

#### Storage

- Antisettling
- In-can appearance
- Syneresis resistance

#### Application

- Gunnability
- Slump resistance
- Temperature resistance

**APEO free:** Yes

**Bacteria resistance:** Yes

**Bio content (%):** 69

**Heavy metal free:** Yes

**Solvent-free:** Yes

### Thickening mechanism

Non Associative	●●●●●
Self Association	○●●●○
Associative	○●●○●

### Viscosity contribution

Low Shear contribution	●●●●●
Mid Shear contribution	●●○●○
High Shear contribution	○●●○●