



Product Data Sheet

AMBERLYST™ 17 Polymeric Catalyst Industrial-grade, Strongly Acidic Catalyst

Description

AMBERLYST™ 17 Polymeric Catalyst is a high-activity, premium-grade catalyst. The high activity is imparted by DuPont's unique uniform particle size technology, coupled with a high degree of sulfonic acid functionality.

AMBERLYST™ 17 is particularly suited for fixed bed operations running with rapid throughput. The particle size has been optimized to its usage in batch reactors as it provides fast kinetics, e.g., for phenol alkylation reactions.

Applications

- Fixed bed operations running with rapid throughput
- Batch reactors or CSTRs
- Phenol alkylation

Typical Properties

Physical Properties	
Copolymer	Styrene-divinylbenzene
Matrix	Macroporous
Type	Strong acid cation
Functional Group	Sulfonic acid
Physical Form	White to yellow, opaque, spherical beads
Nitrogen BET	
Surface Area	30 m ² /g
Total Pore Volume	0.35 cc/g
Average Pore Diameter	200 Å
Chemical Properties	
Ionic Form as Shipped	H ⁺
Concentration of Acid Sites †	≥ 4.90 eq/kg ≥ 1.85 eq/L
Water Retention Capacity	50 – 54%
Particle Size §	
Particle Diameter	475 ± 50 µm
< 297 µm	≤ 1.0%
400 – 650 µm	≥ 95.0%
Density	
Shipping Weight	760 g/L

† Dry Weight Capacity ≥ 4.90 eq/kg; Total Exchange Capacity (on a water-wet basis) ≥ 1.85 eq/L

§ For additional particle size information, please refer to the [Particle Size Distribution Cross Reference Chart](#) (Form No. 177-01775).

Suggested Operating Conditions

Maximum Operating Temperature	120°C (250°F)
Bed Depth, min.	600 mm (2.0 ft)
Pressure Drop, max.	1 bar (15 psig) across the bed
Flowrates	
Linear Hourly Space Velocity (LHSV)	0.5 – 5 h ⁻¹

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Please be aware of the following:

- **WARNING:** Oxidizing agents such as nitric acid attack organic ion exchange resins under certain conditions. This could lead to anything from slight resin degradation to a violent exothermic reaction (explosion). Before using strong oxidizing agents, consult sources knowledgeable in handling such materials.

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