

# Desmodur<sup>®</sup> RFE

## Characterization

Desmodur RFE is a solution of tris(p-isocyanatophenyl) thiophosphate in ethyl acetate.

Desmodur RFE is a crosslinker with very universal suitability for adhesives based on Desmocoll<sup>®</sup>, natural or synthetic rubber with special adhesion on rubber materials.

## Form supplied

Form supplied is approximately 27% in ethyl acetate.

## Characteristic data

Property	Value	Unit of measurement	Method
NCO content	7.2 ± 0.2	%	

## Other data\*

Property	Value	Unit of measurement	Method
Non-volatile content	approx. 27	%	
Density at 20°C	approx. 1.0	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	
Viscosity at 20°C	approx. 3	mPa•s	
Solvent	Ethyl acetate		
Flash point	-4	°C	

\*These values provide general information and are not part of the product specification.

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## Properties / Applications

After adding of Desmodur RFE, the ready-to-use two-component adhesive must be used within its pot life. This is not only governed by the polymer content of the adhesive but also by its other components (resins, antioxidants, plasticisers, solvents, etc.). At the end of the pot life, usually several hours or one working day, the adhesive becomes increasingly difficult to work and its viscosity increases rapidly. Finally, irreversible gelling occurs.

The following guide values can be used in determining the addition by weight.

To crosslink 100 pbw adhesive:

Desmocoll (hydroxyl polyurethane)

4 - 7 pbw Desmodur RFE

(polyurethane content approx. 20%)

As with any product, use of Desmodur RFE in a given application must be tested (including but not limited to field testing) in advance by the user to determine suitability.



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## Storage

Desmodur RFE should be stored in tightly sealed original containers and protected from moisture, heat, and foreign materials. During transportation and storage at low temperatures, crystalline deposits may form. These redissolve at room temperature. The product is highly sensitive to moisture and reacts with water to form carbon dioxide and insoluble ureas. The containers must therefore be kept tightly sealed. The ingress of water in any form (damp containers, anhydrous solvents, moist air) must be prevented as otherwise the formation of carbon dioxide may cause a dangerous increase in pressure in the containers. Exposure to air and/or light intensifies discoloration but this has no effect on the processing properties in general. Recommended storage temperature is 10°-30°C.

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## Storage time

Desmodur RFE has a shelf life of twelve months from date of receipt at customer, provided the material is stored in sealed original containers at the recommended storage temperature.

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## Other Information

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## Health and Safety Information

Appropriate literature has been assembled which provides information concerning the health and safety precautions that must be observed when handling this product. Before working with this product, you must read and become familiar with the available information on its risks, proper use, and handling. This cannot be overemphasized. Information is available in several forms, e.g., safety data sheets and product labels. For further information contact your Covestro LLC representative or the Product Safety and Regulatory Affairs Department in Pittsburgh, PA.

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