Technical Information

Introduction

Opteon™ SF79* specialty fluid is designed to meet the high solvency needs in the industrial cleaning market. Opteon™ SF79 is a safe, nonflammable, and environmentally friendly solvent with no ozone depletion potential (ODP) and a low global warming potential (GWP) (<15), which are all highly desirable in industrial cleaning applications like vapor degreasing.

Opteon™ SF79 is a blend of proprietary fluids and trans-1, 2-dichloroethylene (t-DCE) with azeotrope-like properties. Its exceptional solvency power (KB value = 103) makes it an ideal candidate for replacement of trichloroethylene (TCE), n-propyl bromide (nPB), benzene, perchloroethylene, methylene chloride, and other strong solvency fluids, where maximum cleaning power is a requirement. Opteon™ SF79 is also a great replacement option for solvents with low to mid-solvency power, such as HCFC-225, HCFC-141b, HFEs, PFCs, CFCs, and aqueous cleaners.

Opteon™ SF79 has the ability to clean a wide range of contaminants. The fluid features high solvency and low surface tension, which can improve the efficiency of a vapor degreaser. Opteon™ SF79 is easy to use and provides reliability with hassle-free maintenance.

Features and Benefits

- Superior cleaning performance with best solvency power in its class (KB value = 103)
- Fast drying with an optimum boiling point (47 °C [117 °F]), allows cleaned parts to be processed and used immediately

- High soil loading capacity boosts productivity by reducing equipment downtime associated with solvent change-outs
- Product maintains compositional stability during use (azeotropic-like mixture)
- Maintenance free: No stabilizer maintenance required, easy to maintain and use
- In general, existing vapor degreasing equipment can be used with minor or no modifications. See Opteon™ SF79 Retrofit Guidelines
- No surfactants needed: Removes extra washing steps to achieve residue-free cleaning
- Recyclable and reusable: Reduces cost of ownership and environmental footprint
- Nonflammable
- Low odor and toxicity
- Excellent environmental profile: Low GWP (<15), no ODP

Typical Applications

- Oil and grease removal
- Precision cleaning
- High solvency defluxing
- Silicone removal
- Vapor degreasing
- Cold cleaning

^{*}Formerly Opteon™ Sion



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Table 1. Physical Properties

| Property | Units | Opteon™SF79 | CFC-113 | HCFC-141b | Novec® 72DE | HCFC-225 ca/cb | TCE | Perc | nPB |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|---------|-----------|---------------------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Boiling Point | °C | 47 | 48 | 32 | 43 | 54 | 87 | 121 | 71 |
| | °F | 117 | 118 | 90 | 109 | 129 | 188 | 250 | 160 |
| Liquid Density ⁽¹⁾ | g/cm³ | 1.29 | 1.56 | 1.23 | 1.28 | 1.55 | 1.46 | 1.62 | 1.35 |
| | lb/gal | 10.7 | 13 | 10.3 | 10.7 | 12.9 | 12.1 | 13.5 | 11.3 |
| Saturated Vapor Density ⁽¹⁾ | kg/m³ | 1.81 | 3.47 | 3.83 | N.D. ⁽²⁾ | N.D. ⁽²⁾ | 4.5 | 5.7 | 4.24 |
| | lb/ft³ | 0.11 | 0.21 | 0.23 | | | 0.27 | 0.35 | 0.26 |
| Surface Tension ⁽¹⁾ | Dyn/cm | 21 | 17.3 | 19.3 | 19 | 16.2 | 29.5 | 29.5 | 25.9 |
| Vapor Pressure ⁽¹⁾ | kPa | 44.7 | 44.1 | 79.5 | 46.7 | 38.7 | 8.0 | 2.4 | 20.0 |
| Vapor rressure | psia | 6.5 | 6.4 | 11.5 | 6.8 | 5.6 | 1.2 | 0.35 | 2.9 |
| Viscosity ⁽¹⁾ | сР | 0.42 | 0.68 | 0.43 | 0.45 | 0.59 | 0.49 | 0.75 | 0.49 |
| Liquid Thermal Conductivity ⁽¹⁾ | mW/m-K | 128 | 72.3 | 90.6 | N.D. ⁽²⁾ | N.D. ⁽²⁾ | 115.9 | N.D. ⁽²⁾ | N.D. ⁽²⁾ |
| Heat Capacity ⁽¹⁾ | kJ/kg °C | 1.069 | 1.079 | 1.0996 | N.D. ⁽²⁾ | 1.046 | 0.962 | 0.855 | 1.103 |
| | Btu/lb °F | 0.26 | 0.26 | 0.27 | | 0.25 | 0.23 | 0.21 | 0.27 |
| Heat of Vaporization at Boiling Point | kJ/kg | 280 | 147 | 223 | 218 | 145 | 236 | 210 | 246 |
| KB Value | | 103 | 31 | 56 | 52 | 31 | 129 | 90 | 125 |

All data compiled was furnished from publicly available sources. (1) Values reported are at 25 °C (77 °F), unless otherwise specified. (2) N.D. refers to no reference data available.

Performance Evaluations

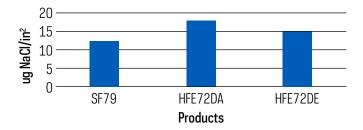
Opteon™ SF79 was evaluated for performance using typical coupon cleaning tests according to ASTM G122. Below are examples of the results from performance evaluations. Contact Chemours to initiate a cleaning trial in one of our regional cleaning laboratories or obtain a sample for on-site testing.

Table 2. Performance Evaluations of Opteon SF79

| | Contamination Level (mg/cm²) | % Contamination Removed (avg. of 3 trials) |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Mineral Oil | 2 | 100% |
| Hydraulic Fluid (MIL-PRF-83282) | 3.29 | 100% |
| Grease (MIL-PRF-81322) | 16.27 | 100% |

Opteon™ SF79 was evaluated for cleaning fluxes/residues and found effective in cleaning non-polar flux rosin residues from surface mounted technology printed circuit boards.

RMA Residue Removal



Solubility

Opteon™ SF79 has the highest cleaning power of any cleaning fluid in its class as measured by the KB value (KB value = 103). The KB value is determined by ASTM D1133 and is a well known measurement of solvency strength. In general, the higher the KB value, the greater the cleaning power. The solubility of Opteon™ SF79 for various contaminants is shown in Table 3.

Table 3. Solubility of Various Contaminants in Opteon™ SF79

| Contaminant | Solubility | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| Mineral | Miscible | | |
| Hydraulic Fluid (MIL-PRF-83282) | Miscible | | |
| Grease (MIL-PRF-81322) | Miscible | | |
| Silicone (DC-704) | Miscible | | |
| Skydrol®* | Miscible | | |

^{*}Registered trademark of Eastman Chemical Company

Materials Compatibility

Opteon™ SF79 is characterized by good compatibility with a wide selection of metals; for example, stainless steel, copper, brass, and aluminum. Opteon™ SF79 is compatible with these plastics and elastomers: Teflon™ (PTFE), FEP, PFA, polyethylene, polypropylene, Nylon, Kynar, Ryton, Halar, and Kalrez®. Examples of incompatible plastics include PMMA, ABS, polycarbonate, and polystyrene. Most elastomers, including Viton™, Natural rubber, EPDM, silicone, and Hypalon®, show reversible swelling when exposed to Opteon™ SF79. Teflon™ or Teflon™ encapsulated gaskets and O-ring seals are recommended for diaphragm pumps. Individual plastic and elastomeric formulations can vary with the

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manufacturer; therefore, the best assurance of material compatibility can be recommended after testing under conditions expected during normal operation. Contact your local technical representative for specific material compatibility concerns.

Table 4. Plastics/Elastomers Compatibility

| Plastics | | Elastomers | | | |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|--|--|
| Compatible | Incompatible | Compatible | Incompatible | | |
| Polyethylene | Polystyrene | Teflon™ | Silicone | | |
| Polypropylene | Polycarbonate | Kalrez® | Hypalon® | | |
| Teflon™ | ABS | Ryton | EPDM Rubber | | |
| Polyester | Polyacrylate | PTFE w/EPDM | Viton™ | | |
| Nylon | Acrylic (PMMA) | PTFE w/Neoprene | Buna N | | |
| FEP/PFA | Polysulfone | Parafluor | Fluorosilicone | | |
| Halar | | | | | |
| Kynar | | | | | |

Safety, Toxicity, and Environmental

Opteon™ SF79 exhibits no closed or open cup flash point and is classified as a nonflammable liquid by NFPA or DOT. The product is volatile; vapor may become flammable when mixed with air in the concentrations shown below. Flash point data and vapor flammability limits in air are shown in Table 5.

Table 5. Safety, Toxicity, and Environmental Properties

| Property | Units | Opteon™SF79 |
|----------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| Flash Point, CC, ASTM D56 | °C (°F) | None |
| Flash Point, OC, ASTM D1310 | °C (°F) | None |
| Vapor Flammability Limits | % Vol | 7.25-15.25 |
| Ozone Depletion Potential | - | 0 |
| Global Warming Potential | - | <15 |
| Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) | g/L | 1278 |
| Occupational Exposure Limit | ppm | 201 |

Storage and Handling

Opteon™ SF79 is thermally stable and does not oxidize or degrade during storage. It is recommended to store containers in a clean and dry area, and protect them from freezing and excessive temperatures of 52 °C (126 °F). When stored properly, an unopened package has no shelf life. Package sizes for Opteon™ SF79 are 20 kg (metal pail) and 227 kg (steel drum). Laminate film gloves are recommended when handling Opteon™ SF79.

