# PARALOID<sup>™</sup> A-21 100% Solid Grade Thermoplastic Acrylic Resin

### Description

PARALOID A-21 solid-grade acrylic resin imparts excellent intercoat adhesion, hardness, and outdoor durability. It has the same composition and characteristics as the solution grade, while providing wider formulating latitude.

This durable resin is similar to PARALOID A-10S and PARALOID A-11 acrylic resins but has better adhesion characteristics.

## Solubility

Information about the solvent compatibility of PARALOID A-21 acrylic resin can be found in Rohm and Haas brochure 82A114--Paraloid Solid Grade Resins, Solvent Selection Chart.

#### **Typical Properties**

These properties are typical but do not constitute specifications.

| Physical Form                         | Powder      |  |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Chemical Composition                  | MMA Polymer |  |
| Tg, °C                                | 105         |  |
| Bulk Density, 25°C, lb./gal.          | 9.8         |  |
| Solubility Parameter                  | 9.4         |  |
| Ultimate Hardness of Clear Films, KHN | 21 to 22    |  |

| Properties in White Lacquers <sup>1</sup> |      |   |           |   |             |  |  |
|---|------|---|-----------|---|-------------|--|--|
| Tukon Hardness                            |      | Whiteness<br>(K color low numbers best)                   |           | Cross Hatch <sup>3</sup>                    |             |  |  |
| 30 min. at 180°F                          | 18.2 | 30 min. at 300°F  | 8.9       | 30 min. at 180°F                            | 1           |  |  |
| 30 min. at 300°F                          | 31.0 | 16 hrs. at 350°F  | 8.9       | 30 min. at 300°F                            | 1           |  |  |
| Pencil Hardness                           |      | Flexibility <sup>2</sup> , 1/8, 1/4, 1/2<br>inch mandrels |           | Mustard Staining<br>(30 minute exposure)    |             |  |  |
| 30 min. at 180°F                          | 3H   | 30 min. at 180°F  | 5,4,2     | 30 min. at 180°F                            | None        |  |  |
| 30 min. at 300°F                          | 8H   | 30 min. at 300°F  | 5, 4, 2   | 30 min. at 300°F                            | None        |  |  |
| Gloss, 20°                                |      | Printing, 2 psi for<br>1 hour at 140°F                    |           | Gasoline Resistance<br>(15 minute exposure) |             |  |  |
| 30 min. at 180°F                          | 26   | 30 min. at 180°F  | None      | 30 min. at 180°F                            | Slight-Dull |  |  |
| 30 min. at 300°F                          | 33   | 30 min. at 300°F  | None      | 30 min. at 300°F                            | Slight-Dull |  |  |
| Gloss, 60°                                |      | Knife Adhesion  |           | Spray Conditions                            |             |  |  |
| 30 min. at 180°F                          | 71   | 30 min. at 180°F  | Fair      | Viscosity, No. 4 Ford Cup, sec.             | 11          |  |  |
| 30 min. at 300°F                          | 77   | 30 min. at 300°F  | Fair–Good | Solids Content, %                           | 20.5        |  |  |

Note: Drying the coatings at 300°F for 30 minutes simulates final properties of the resin.

<sup>1</sup>The white lacquers were formulated at a titanium dioxide/binder ratio (solids basis) of 30/70. The properties were determined after coatings were sprayed on Bonderite 1000.

<sup>2</sup>The degree of cracking at the bend over each mandrel is rated on a 0 (no failure) to 10 (complete flaking) scale. <sup>3</sup>The degree of flaking at the scribed cross hatch is rated on a 0 (no failure) to 5 (complete lift off) scale.

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