

# Laurox S

Dilauroyl peroxide

Laurox S is used as an initiator for curing acrylic solid surface at elevated temperatures.

EINECS/ELINCS No. CAS number 105-74-8 203-326-3

TSCA status Molecular weight listed on inventory 398.6

Active oxygen content Concentration 3.97% min. peroxide 4.01%

## **Specifications**

Appearance	White powder without any contamination
Assay	≥ 99.0 %
Particle size > 1 mm	≤ 5 %
Particle size > 2 mm	- %

#### Characteristics

Bulk density	460 kg/m³
Melting point	54 °C

## **Applications**

Polymerization of vinyl chloride: Laurox S is a widely used initiator for the suspension and mass polymerization of vinyl chloride between 60°C and 80°C. In many cases Laurox S is combined with a more active initiator, such as a peroxydicarbonate (e. g. Perkadox 16) to increase reactor efficiency.

#### Half-life data

The reactivity of an organic peroxide is usually given by its half-life ( $t\frac{1}{2}$ ) at various temperatures. For Laurox S in chlorobenzene half-life at other temperatures can be calculated by using the equations and constants mentioned below:

0.1 hr	at 99°C
1 hr	at 79°C
10 hr	at 61°C
Formula 1	kd = A·e-Ea/RT
Formula 2	$t^{1/2} = (\ln 2)/kd$
Ea	123.37 kJ/mole
A	3.92E+14 s-1
R	8.3142 J/mole·K
Т	(273.15+°C) K

## Thermal stability

Organic peroxides are thermally unstable substances, which may undergo self-accelerating decomposition. The lowest temperature at which self-accelerating decomposition of a substance in the original packaging may occur is the Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature (SADT). The SADT is determined on the basis of the Heat Accumulation Storage Test.

SADT	50°C
Method	The Heat Accumulation Storage Test is a recognized test method for the determination of the SADT of organic peroxides (see Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods, Manual of Tests and Criteria - United Nations, New York and Geneva).

### Storage

Due to the relatively unstable nature of organic peroxides a loss of quality can be detected over a period of time. To minimize the loss of quality, Nouryon recommends a maximum storage temperature

Ts Max.	30°C
Note	When stored under these recommended storage conditions, Laurox S will remain
	within the Nouryon specifications for a period of at least 3 months after delivery.

### Packaging and transport

The standard packaging is a cardboard box for 25 kg peroxide. Both packaging and transport meet the international regulations. For the availability of other packed quantities contact your Nouryon representative. Laurox S is classified as Organic peroxide type D; solid, Division 5. 2; UN 3106.

### Safety and handling

Keep containers tightly closed. Store and handle Laurox S in a dry well-ventilated place away from sources of heat or ignition and direct sunlight. Never weigh out in the storage room. Avoid contact with reducing agents (e. g. amines), acids, alkalis and heavy metal compounds (e. g. accelerators, driers and metal soaps). Please refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for further information on the safe storage, use and handling of Laurox S. This information should be thoroughly reviewed prior to acceptance of this product. The SDS is available at nouryon.com/sds-search.

### Major decomposition products

Carbon dioxide, Docosane, Undecane, Undecyl dodecanoate

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