

# **Trigonox C**

tert-Butyl peroxybenzoate

Initiator for (co)polymerization of acrylates and methacrylates.

CAS number 614-45-9

EINECS/ELINCS No. 210-382-2

TSCA status
listed on inventory

Molecular weight

194.2

Active oxygen content peroxide 8.24%

# **Specifications**

Active oxygen	≤ 8.07 %
Appearance	Clear liquid
Assay	≥ 98.0 %
Color	≤ 100 Pt-Co / APHA
Hydroperoxides as TBHP	≤ 0.10 %
Inorganic + organic hydrolysable chloride	≤ 50 mg/kg

# Characteristics

Crystallization point	tends to undercooling; 8 °C
Density, 20 °C	1.040 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Viscosity, 20 °C	6.5 mPa.s

## **Applications**

Polymerization of styrene: Trigonox C may be used for the (co)polymerization of styrene in the temperature range of 100-140°C. In practice, combinations of two or more peroxides with diverging activities are used to reduce the residual monomer content in the final polymer and to increase reactor efficiency. Polymerization of ethylene: Trigonox C is an efficient initiator for the ethylene polymerization at high pressure in both autoclave and tubular processes. To obtain a wide spectrum of polymerization temperatures, Trigonox C is often used in combination with other peroxides. Depending on reaction conditions, Trigonox C is active in the temperature range of 220-270°C. Polymerization of acrylates and methacrylates: Trigonox C may be used as an initiator for the bulk, suspension and solution (co)polymerization of acrylates and methacrylates in the temperature range of 90-130°C. For Thermoset: Trigonox C, tert-butyl peroxybenzoate, is an aromatic perester, which is used for the curing of unsaturated polyester resins at elevated temperatures. Trigonox C is preferred for the curing of UP resin based Hot Press Moulding formulations (SMC, BMC etc.) in the temperature range of 120-170°C. Trigonox C can also be used in combination with high reactive peroxides like Perkadox 16 or Trigonox HMa as kicker in formulations for pultrusion in the temperature range of 100-150°C. In combination with a cobalt accelerator (e.g. Accelerator NL-53N, 10% cobalt), Trigonox C is also applicable for the cure of UP resins in the temperature range of 70°C and higher. Application area can be: air drying lacquers, diplacquers, filament winding, etc. For Crosslinking: Trigonox C is a monofunctional peroxide which is used for the crosslinking of natural rubber and synthetic rubbers, as well as polyolefins. Safe processing temperature: 100°C (rheometer ts2 > 20 min.). Typical crosslinking temperature: 140°C (rheometer t90 about 12 min.).

#### Half-life data

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

0.1 hr	at 142°C (288°F)
1 hr	at 122°C (252°F)
10 hr	at 103°C (217°F)
Formula 1	kd = A·e-Ea/RT
Formula 2	$t^{1/2} = (\ln 2)/kd$
Ea	151.59 kJ/mole
A	2.23E+16 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	60°C (140°F)
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.) for each organic peroxide product.

Ts Max.	25°C (77°F)
Ts Min.	10°C (50°F) *
Note	* to prevent crystallization. When stored under the recommended storage conditions, Trigonox C will remain within the Nouryon specifications for a period of at least 3 months after delivery.

## Packaging and transport

In North America Trigonox C is packed in non-returnable, one gallon polyethylene containers of 8 lb net weight (packed 4 per case) and 5 gallon polyethylene containers of 40 lb net weight. In other regions the standard packaging is a 30-liter HDPE can (Nourytainer) for 25 kg peroxide. Both packaging and transport meet the international regulations. For the availability of other packed quantities contact your Nouryon representative. Trigonox C is classified as Organic peroxide type C; liquid; Division 5. 2; UN 3103.

## Safety and handling

Keep containers tightly closed. Store and handle Trigonox C 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 Trigonox C. 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, Acetone, Methane, tert-Butanol, Benzoic acid, Benzene

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