

## **Technical Data Sheet**

# **Ricon® 181** Low Vinyl Butadiene-Styrene Copolymer

#### DESCRIPTION

Ricon® 181 is a low molecular weight, liquid copolymer of butadiene and styrene. This resin is suitable for use in peroxide- and sulfur-cured elastomers where it acts as a non-extractable plasticizer and process aid. Its polymeric structure gives excellent compatibility in saturated and unsaturated elastomers, especially elastomers with styrenic and aromatic content.

### PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS / PERFORMANCE PROPERTIES

Non-extractable process aid Electrical insulator Excellent dielectric properties Excellent hydrophobicity Low temperature flexibility Excellent compatibility with elastomers

#### SUGGESTED APPLICATIONS

Coatings Electronics Laminates Encapsulants Rubber Flexographic printing plates

#### **TYPICAL PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

| Property                | Value  | Unit  |
|-------------------------|--------|-------|
| Molecular Weight (Mn)   | 5,200  | g/mol |
| 1,2 Vinyl Content*      | 20     | wt. % |
| Styrene Content         | 25     | wt. % |
| Viscosity @ 25°C        | 18,000 | cps   |
| Tg                      | -65    | °C    |
| Specific Gravity @ 25°C | 0.90   | -     |
| *Butadiene portion      |        |       |

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