

# VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets

Quaternary ammonium compound used as a strong hair conditioning agent

- strong conditioning properties
- improves wet and dry compatibility
- makes hair soft and silky
- Supplied as pellets: very easy to handle
- vegetable based

**Personal Care** 

## **INCI Name (CTFA Name)**

Behentrimonium Chloride

# Chemical and physical properties (not part of specifications)

| Appearance at room | pellets |
|--------------------|---------|
| temperature        |         |

#### **Properties**

- · Strong conditioning agent
- Superior cationic emulsifier
- Improves wet and dry combability
- · Good antistatic properties
- Makes hair soft and silky
- High solids content
- Substantive to hair and skin
- Spreads easily on hair
- Free flowing flake form
- Easy to formulate
- · Easily rinsed off hair
- Vegetable based

VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets has superior antistatic properties and minimizes curl droop compared to Cetrimonium Chloride (VARISOFT® 300).

A comparison of three different concentration levels from a simple hair rinse formula was performed. The concentrations were based upon an equivalent cost basis of VARISOFT\* BT 85 Pellets ("BTAC") and VARISOFT\* 300 ("CTAC"), see Table 1.

| Comparison | BTAC  | CTAC  |
|------------|-------|-------|
| Α          | 0.3 % | 0.5 % |
| В          | 0.6 % | 2.0 % |
| С          | 1.2 % | 2.0 % |

Table 1: Concentration levels based upon equivalent costs for BTAC and CTAC for the conditioning assays.

The formulations were tested according to their conditioning properties towards chemically damaged European hair. No significant differences between VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets and Cetrimonium Chloride (VARISOFT® 300) were found for the properties comb and feel (wet and dry).

Concerning the antistatic porperties, VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets is superior to Cetrimonium Chloride (VARISOFT® 300) at three concentration levels (see fig. 1). Both a static decay test and an anti-fly-away test (charging by combing) were performed.

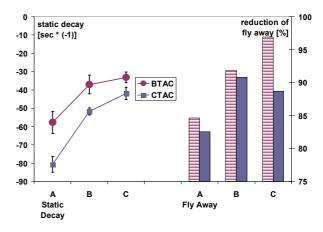


Figure 1: Comparison of antistatic properties of VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets (BTAC) and VARISOFT® 300 (CTAC) at an equivalent costs basis (see Table 1).

At lower concentrations, VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets provides a good hydrophobic effect without weighing down the hair. Therefore providing a longer lasting hairstyle, compared to CTAC, as evidenced by using the curl retention test.

#### **Application**

- Conditioning hair rinses
- Conditioning shampoos
- Leave-in conditioners
- · Body and hand creams and lotions

#### Suggested usage concentration

1 - 10 % VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets

## **Packaging**

150 kg pallet (6 x 25 kg drums)

## **Processing hint**

Loss of volatile compounds, e.g. by repeated heating of a batch, may lead to a change in the melting behaviour and might negatively influence the processing.

# Hazardous goods classification

Information concerning

- classification and labelling according to regulations for transport and for dangerous substances
- protective measures for storage and handling
- · measures in accidents and fires
- toxicity and ecological effects

is given in our material safety data sheets.

#### **Guide Line Formulations**

| Hot Oil Treatment               |                 |  |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Phase A                         |                 |  |
| Water, deion.                   | 96.5 %          |  |
| Polyquaternium-10               | 1.0 %           |  |
| Hydroxyethylcellulose           | 0.5 %           |  |
| Phase B                         |                 |  |
| VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets         | 1.0 %           |  |
| Lauramide DEA                   | 1.0 %           |  |
| Phase C                         |                 |  |
| Citric acid (25 % aq. solution) | to pH 4.5 - 5.5 |  |
| Preservative, Parfum            | q.s.            |  |

## Preparation:

Sprinkle pre-weighed polyquaternium-10 and hydroxyethylcellulose into deionized water while stirring. Continue agitation until phase A is clear. Pre-mix phase B until a uniform gel is formed. Heat phase A to 65 °C. Add unheated phase B to phase A with gentle agitation. Cool to room temperature (approximately 30 °C) with mixing. Adjust pH with Citric Acid.

| Easy Comb Conditioner AC-120     |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Phase A                          |             |
| Water, deion.                    | 93.0 %      |
| Phase B                          |             |
| TEGO® Alkanol 16                 | 1.5 %       |
| (Cetyl Alcohol)                  |             |
| VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets          | 1.5 %       |
| VARISOFT® 300                    | 1.0 %       |
| (Cetrimonium Chloride)           |             |
| Propylene Glycol                 | 2.0 %       |
| Phase C                          |             |
| ABIL® B 8832                     | 1.0 %       |
| ( Bis-PEG/PPG-20/20 Dimethicone) |             |
| Citric acid (25 % aq. solution)  | to pH 4.5 - |
|                                  | 5.5.        |
| Preservative, Perfume            | q.s.        |
|                                  |             |

## Preparation:

Heat the water of phase A and phase B to  $70 - 75^{\circ}$ C. Add phase B to phase A with agitation. Cool to  $50 - 60^{\circ}$ C and add ABIL $^{\circ}$  B 8832 and mix. Cool to  $30 - 35^{\circ}$ C and adjust the pH with Citric Acid.

| Easy Comb Conditioner           |        |  |
|---------------------------------|--------|--|
| Phase A                         |        |  |
| Water, deion.                   | 93.7 % |  |
| Phase B                         |        |  |
| TEGO® Alkanol 16                | 1.5 %  |  |
| (Cetyl Alcohol)                 |        |  |
| VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets         | 1.5 %  |  |
| VARISOFT® 300                   | 1.0 %  |  |
| (Cetrimonium Chloride)          |        |  |
| Phase C                         |        |  |
| Water, deion.                   | 2.0 %  |  |
| Hydrolyzed Collagen             | 0.3 %  |  |
| Phase D                         |        |  |
| Citric acid (25 % aq. solution) | q.s.   |  |
| Preservative, Perfume           | q.s.   |  |

## Preparation:

Heat phases A and B to 70 - 75 °C. With mixing, add phase B to phase A. Cool, with mixing to 45 °C. Add pre-mixed phase C. Cool to room temperature with mixing. Adjust the final pH with Citric Acid.

| Economy Conditioner        |                 |  |
|----------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Phase A                    |                 |  |
| Water, deion.              | 96.8 %          |  |
| Phase B                    |                 |  |
| TEGO® Alkanol 16           | 2.0 %           |  |
| (Cetyl Alcohol)            |                 |  |
| VARISOFT® BT 85 Pellets    | 0.6 %           |  |
| VARISOFT® 432 PPG          | 0.6 %           |  |
| (Dicetyldimonium Chloride) |                 |  |
| Phase C                    |                 |  |
| Citric acid                | pH to 4.5 - 5.5 |  |
| Preservative, Perfume      | q.s.            |  |

# Preparation:

Heat phases A and B to 70 - 75 °C. Add phase B to phase A with agitation. Continue mixing while cooling to room temperature. Adjust the pH with Citric Acid.

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