# LUPEROX® K1 S

Methyl Ethyl Ketone Peroxide

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LUPEROX<sup>®</sup> K1 S is Methyl Ethyl Ketone Peroxide used for the cure of unsaturated polyester resins at room temperatures in combination with a cobalt accelerator like LUPERFAST™ CO 1G.

#### **Chemical structure**

### **Typical properties**

Density at 20℃	SADT (self-accelerating decomposition temp.) 65℃	
Viscosity at 20℃16 mPa s	Flash point (setapoint)60℃	

Product can be stored minimum three months after receiving date, if kept in appropriate conditions and below its maximum storage temperature. Refer to the Safety Data Sheet for detailed storage instructions.

#### Dosage

Typical concentrations for LUPEROX<sup>®</sup> K1 S run from 1 to 3 % by weight based on resin and for cobalt accelerator from 0,25% to 4% based on 1% metal content solution.

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# Replacing LUPEROX® K1 G with LUPEROX® K1 S

✓ Dosage by volumetric pumps

Because of its slightly higher density, volumetric metering should be corrected when replacing LUPEROX® K1 G with LUPEROX® K1 S.

1 volume of LUPEROX<sup>®</sup> K1G should be replaced by 0,9 volumes of LUPEROX<sup>®</sup> K1S.

The table below simplifies volume dosage conversion:

Dosage volume			
LUPEROX <sup>®</sup> K1 G	LUPEROX <sup>®</sup> K1 S		
1	0,90		
1,5	1,36		
2	1,81		
2,5	2,26		
3	2,71		

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✓ Dosage by weight Dosage is strictly identical between LUPEROX<sup>®</sup> K1 S and LUPEROX<sup>®</sup> K1 G to obtain same curing performance.

### **Applications**

LUPEROX® K1 S is used for applications such as hand lay-up, spray up, centrifugal casting, filament winding, polyester concrete, etc.

It is particularly suitable for gel coat curing.

Its low viscosity makes it ideal for spray-up techniques (airless) with external mixing.

Faster reaction with shorter demold times can be obtained by the addition of promoters such as LUPERFAST™ DMA 10G (dimethyl aniline) or LUPERFAST™ DEA 10G (diethyl aniline) to LUPERFAST™ CO 1G (cobalt accelerator).

For the full list of Arkema's accelerators and inhibitors please ask to your traditional Arkema contact person or ask on www.arkema.com.

#### **Cure performance**

The factors to be considered in selecting the optimum initiator / accelerator system are:

- Process
- 2. Resin type
- 3. Required gel time or pot-life
- 4 Part thickness
- 5. Room temperature
- 6. Nature and quantity of additives
- 7. Dosage optimization between LUPEROX® K1 S and accelerator.

For comparison purposes, the table below shows activities of different MEKPs.

Product	Gel time	Cure time	Peak Exothermic
LUPEROX® K1 S	7 minutes	16 minutes	146℃
LUPEROX <sup>®</sup> K1 G	7 minutes	16 minutes	144℃
LUPEROX <sup>®</sup> K10	5 minutes	10 minutes	144℃

Tests were carried out at 25°C on 25 g of medium a ctivity resin pre-accelerated with 1% of LUPERFAST™ CO 1G (cobalt accelerator 1% metal content solution) and with 2% of MEKP.

LUPEROX<sup>®</sup> K1 S is equivalent in reactivity to LUPEROX<sup>®</sup> K1 G.

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