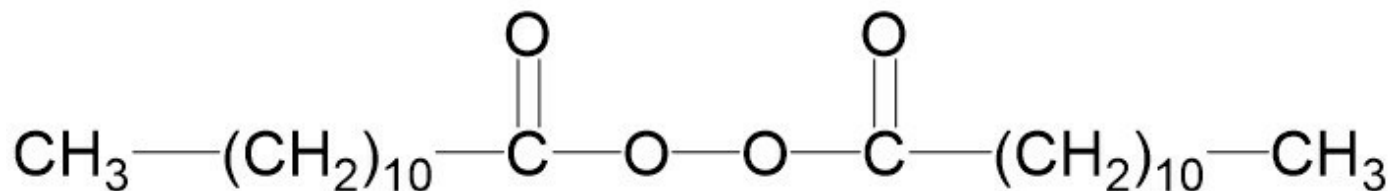


# Laurox W-40

Dilauroyl peroxide



Laurox® W-40 is an initiator (40% water-based suspension) for micro-suspension polymerization of vinyl chloride and vinylidene chloride. Easy to dose liquid formulation and possible to store at ambient temperatures.

CAS number  
105-74-8

EINECS/ELINCS No.  
203-326-3

TSCA status  
listed on inventory

Molecular weight  
398.6

Active oxygen content  
peroxide  
4.01%

Concentration  
1.61-1.65%

## Specifications

Appearance	White suspension, no contamination
Assay	40.0-41.0 %

## Characteristics

Density	1.0 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Viscosity, 20°C	60-300 mPa.s

## Applications

Laurox W-40 is widely used as an initiator for the micro-suspension polymerization of vinyl chloride in the temperature range between 60°C and 80°C. In many cases Laurox W-40 is combined with a more active initiator such as a peroxydicarbonate (e. g. Perkadox 16) to increase reactor efficiency. Reasons to use a water-based peroxide suspension instead of a solid or solvent-based peroxide are the following: enhanced safety, solvent free (no contamination of the VCM recycle stream), enhancement of PVC purity, easy to use (pumpable) in 'closed reactor technology', easy to dilute with water.

## Half-life data

The reactivity of an organic peroxide is usually given by its half-life ( $t_{1/2}$ ) at various temperatures. For Laurox W-40 in chlorobenzene half-life at other temperatures can be calculated by using the equations and constants mentioned below:

0.1 hr	at 99°C (210°F)
1 hr	at 79°C (174°F)
10 hr	at 61°C (142°F)
Formula 1	$k_d = A \cdot e^{-E_a/RT}$
Formula 2	$t_{1/2} = (\ln 2)/k_d$
$E_a$	123.37 kJ/mole
A	3.92E+14 s <sup>-1</sup>
R	8.3142 J/mole-K
T	(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 (122°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.	20°C (68°F)
Ts min.	0°C (32°F) to prevent freezing
Note	When stored under these recommended storage conditions, Laurox W-40 will remain within the Nouryon specifications for a period of at least 3 months after delivery.

## Packaging and transport

The standard packaging is a 30-liter HDPE can (Nourytainer®) for 25 kg peroxide suspension. Delivery in a 1000 kg PE Intermediate Bulk Container is also possible in a number of countries. Both packaging and transport meet the international regulations. For the availability of other packed quantities contact your Nouryon representative. Laurox W-40 is classified as Organic peroxide type F; liquid, Division 5. 2; UN 3109.

## Safety and handling

Keep containers tightly closed. Store and handle Laurox W-40 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 W-40. This information should be thoroughly reviewed prior to acceptance of this product. The SDS is available at [nouryon.com/sds-search](http://nouryon.com/sds-search).

## Major decomposition products

Carbon dioxide, Docosane, Undecane, Undecyl dodecanoate

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