

# Industrial Waxes

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Paper and paper board are superior materials for packaging applications. This is because they are more resilient and economically viable than glass, plastics or metal. However, they exhibit only limited barrier properties for moisture, water, gases and odour. To enhance these properties paper products can be coated with waxes or laminated to plastic films or foils. Hywax is able to offer a wide range of paraffin, microcrystalline and Fischer-Tropsch waxes suited to impregnate, laminate or coat different paper stocks. Our wax coatings for food packaging conform to the rules and regulations set out by both the "Bundesinstitut für Risikobewertung" (BfR) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

#### HydroWax emulsion

HydroWax emulsions are finely dispersed wax particles in water with a mean diameter of only a few microns. The products are commonly used for paper sizing. Internal sizing is performed by adding the emulsion directly to the stock at the wet end of the paper machine. This results in enhanced paper properties such as increased wet strength and a decreased propensity to linting. In many cases internal sizing with wax emulsions increases the efficiency of a following size press application.

	Water Content [%]	Viscosity typical [mPa*s]	рН	Emulsifier
HYDROWAX 215	52 - 56	500	7.0	Anionic
HYDROWAX RV	48 - 52	1000	7.0	Anionic
HYDROWAX 46	38 - 42	300	7.5	Cationic

#### Coating waxes for flexible packaging

A variety of waxes can be offered for food packaging applications like papers for creams, meat and fruits or wrappers for candies and sweets as well as for various technical applications. They are usually made from fully refined paraffin or microcrystalline waxes as well as mixtures thereof. Paper coated with these waxes show enhanced barrier properties against moisture and odour. Additionally, due to the low viscosity of the waxes, low coating weights can be achieved.

	Congealing Point °C	Penetration at 25 °C [1/10 mm]	Oil Content [%]
HYWAX 4110	60 - 62	13 - 16	0 - 0.5
HYWAX 4610	46 - 49	40 - 80	0 - 2
HYWAX 5603	56 - 58	15 - 19	0 - 0.5
HYWAX 5803	58 - 60	15 - 19	0 - 0.5
HYWAX 6403	62 - 66	16 - 22	0 - 0.5

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### **Technical Data**

#### Coating waxes for more gloss and improved barrier properties

Bespoke properties can be obtained depending on the selection of the wax blends. These blends exhibit exceptional barrier properties against water odour and fat, increased abrasion resistance and feature an enhanced glossy appearance. Depending on the formulation, abrasion resistance and viscosity can be adjusted individually. Gloss waxes are mainly used for edibles like sweets, candy, meat, sandwich and vegetables as well as dairy products like cheese. Other papers may also be upgraded in function and design.

	Congealing Point [°C]	Penetration at 25 °C [1/10 mm]	Viscosity at 100 °C [mm ²/s]
HYWAX 7579	70 - 80	11 - 13	40 - 50
HYWAX 7853	75 - 85	8 - 14	110 - 130
HYWAX 7855	75 - 85	8 - 12	200 - 220

#### Coating waxes for gloss and sealing abilities

Coatings manufactured with these waxes exhibit higher strength and hence abrasion resistance as well as an improved gloss impression. These special formulations are based on waxes and a variety of different additives. They are used to coat all different kinds of paper and board, which are used for a variety of packaging applications like bread wrappers, ice cream cones and chewing gum. Paper and coated board with higher basis weights are key raw materials for the manufacture of disposable plates and soap wrappers as well as packaging for frozen food. In addition to the improved barrier property here the wax acts as a release agent.

HYWAX 1276	64 - 68	8 - 13	600 - 700
HYWAX 5870	60 - 70	10 - 20	105 - 115
HYWAX 5883	64 - 66	12 - 15	58 - 63
HYWAX 7513	85 - 95	5 - 15	500 - 600

#### Laminating waxes

Hywax laminating waxes are used to bond different substrates to each other to form a composite material. These composites used in packaging applications exhibit superior barrier properties against moisture and fatty materials. Base materials for these laminates are typically paper, aluminium and plastic foils as well as parchment and parchment substitutes. Hywax laminating waxes are tailor made for different base materials and can be used for inductive cap sealing. The final products are used for butter, margarine, cheese, yeast, bullion cubes, chocolate and many more.

HYWAX 6908	65 - 72	30 - 45	15 - 25
HYWAX 6909	65 - 75	30 - 45	33 - 43



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