

Chemical resistance of plastics

Reagent	Concentration		Polyamide PA 6			Polyamide PA 6.6			Polyamide PA 12			Thermoplastic polyurethane PU	Polypropylene PP	Polyethylene HD-PE	Polyethylene LD-PE	Polystyrene PS	Nitrile butadiene rubber NBR
	at +°C %																
Exhaust gases containing carbon dioxide	all	60												☒	☒		
Exhaust gases, containing SO ₂	low	60												☒	☒		
Acetaldehyde	40 %	20	✘	✘	☒							☒					20 °C ☒
Acetone	100 %	20	☒	☒	☒	✘					☒	✘	✘				✘
Acrylic acid	100 %	> 30	✘	✘	✘												✘
Alums, aqueous	diluted	40										☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	20 °C ☒
Allyl alcohol	96 %	20	✘	✘	☒	☒					☒	☒	☒	20 % ☒			
Aluminium chloride, aqueous	diluted	40										☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	20 °C ☒
Aluminium sulphate, aqueous	diluted	40										☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	20 °C ☒
Formic acid, aqueous	10 %	20	✘	✘	☒							☒	☒			☒	
Ammonia, aqueous	saturated	20	20 % ☒	20 % ☒	20 % ☒							☒	☒	☒	☒	25 % ☒	
Ammonium chloride, aqueous	saturated	60						3 % ✘				☒	☒	☒	☒		20 °C ☒
Ammonium nitrate, aqueous	diluted	40										☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	20 °C ☒
Ammonium sulphate, aqueous	diluted	40										☒	☒	☒	☒		✘
Aniline, pure	100 %	20	✘	✘	✘							☒	☒	☒	☒	✘	
Aniline hydrochloride, aqueous	saturated											☒	✘	✘			
Benzaldehyde, aqueous	saturated	20	pure ✘	pure ✘	pure ✘							☒				✘	✘
Benzine	100 %	20	☒	☒	☒							✘	☒	✘	✘	✘	☒
Benzoic acid, aqueous	all	40	20 % ✘	20 % ✘								☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	✘
Benzole	100 %	20	☒	☒	☒							✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
Bleaching liquor	12.5 Cl	20	✘	✘	✘	3 % ✘						☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	✘
Drilling oil	all	20	✘	✘	✘							✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
Chrome alum, aqueous	diluted	40										☒	☒	☒	☒		20 °C ☒
Cyclohexanol	-	20	☒	☒	☒							☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒
Diesel fuel		85	☒	☒	☒	20 °C ☒					20 °C ☒	20 °C ☒	20 °C ☒	20 °C ☒			
Ferric chloride, aqueous, neutral	10 %	20	☒	☒	☒							☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒
Glacial acetic acid	100 %	20										☒	☒	☒	☒		✘
Acetic acid	10 %	20	✘	✘	☒	3 % ✘						☒	☒	☒	☒	✘	
Ethyl alcohol, aqueous	10 %	20	40 vol % ☒	40 vol % ☒	40 vol % ☒								☒			☒	
Ethylene chloride	100 %	20										✘	✘	✘			✘
Ethylene oxide	100 %	20										✘					
Ethyl ether	100 %	20										✘					✘
Potassium ferrocyanide, aqueous	saturated	60										☒	☒	☒			
Fluorine	50 %	40	pure ✘	pure ✘	pure ✘	✘						✘	✘				
Formaldehyde, aqueous	diluted	40	pure ☒	pure ☒	pure ✘							40 % ☒	40 % ☒	40 % ☒	30 % ☒		20 °C ✘
Glucose, aqueous	all	50										☒	☒	☒			
Urea, aqueous	to 10 %	40	20 % ☒	20 % ☒	20 % ☒							☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	
Flame-retardant hydraulic fluid		80	☒	☒	☒												
Hydraulic oils H and HL (DIN 51524)		100	☒	☒	☒												
Hydroxylamine sulphate, aqueous	to 12 %	30										☒					
Caustic potash, aqueous	50 %	20	☒	☒	☒							☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	
Potassium bromide, aqueous	all	20	10 % ☒	10 % ☒	10 % ☒							☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	
Potassium chloride, aqueous	10 %	20	☒	☒	☒							☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒
Potassium dichromate, aqueous	40 %	20	5 % ✘	5 % ✘	5 % ✘							☒	☒	☒	☒		☒
Potassium nitrate, aqueous	all	20	10 % ☒	10 % ☒	10 % ☒							☒	☒	☒	☒	☒	☒
Potassium permanganate, aqueous	saturated	20										☒				☒	
Hydrosilicofluoric acid, aqueous	to 30 %	20	✘	✘								☒	☒	☒			

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Carbon dioxide, dry	100%	60				⊗	⊗	⊗	50 °C ⊗	20 °C ⊗
Carbonic acid	100%	60	⊗	⊗	⊗					20 °C ⊗
Cresylic acid, aqueous	to 90%	20	pure ✗	pure ✗		⊗	⊗	✗	✗	✗
Coolant DIN 53521		120	✗	✗						
Copper chloride, aqueous	saturated	20				⊗	⊗	⊗		⊗
Copper sulphate, aqueous	saturated	60				⊗	⊗	⊗		20 °C ⊗
Magnesium carbonate, aqueous	saturated	100				⊗			50 °C ⊗	
Magnesium chloride, aqueous	saturated	20	10% ⊗	10% ⊗	10% ⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
Methyl alcohol	100%	20	⊗	⊗	⊗	40 °C ⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
Methylene chloride	100%	20	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗		
Lactic acid, aqueous	to 90%	20	10% ⊗	10% ⊗	10% ⊗	3% ✗	⊗	⊗	⊗	80% ⊗
Mineral oil			⊗	⊗	⊗		20 °C ⊗	20 °C ⊗	20 °C ⊗	
Sodium chlorate, aqueous	saturated	20	10% ✗	10% ✗	10% ✗		⊗	⊗	⊗	
Sodium hydroxide, aqueous	10%	20	⊗	⊗	⊗	3% ✗	⊗	⊗	⊗	
Nickel chloride, aqueous	saturated	20	10% ✗	10% ✗	10% ✗		⊗		⊗	⊗
Nickel sulphate, aqueous	saturated	20	10% ✗	10% ✗	10% ✗		⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
Nitroglycerin	diluted	20						✗	✗	
Oil and grease		20	⊗	⊗	⊗		✗			
Oleic acid	-	20	⊗	⊗	⊗		⊗	⊗	⊗	✗
Oxalic acid	all	20	10% ✗	10% ✗	10% ✗	3% ✗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
Ozone	pure		✗	✗	✗		✗	✗	✗	
Petroleum	100%	80	⊗	⊗	⊗		20 °C ⊗	20 °C ⊗	20 °C ✗	✗
Phosgene, gaseous	100%	20					✗	✗	✗	
Phosphoric acid, aqueous	diluted	20	10% ✗	10% ✗	10% ✗	3% ✗	⊗	⊗	⊗	86% ⊗
Phosphorus pentoxide	100%	20					⊗			
Mercury	pure	20	⊗	⊗	⊗		⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
Nitric acid, aqueous	50%	20	✗	✗	✗	3% ✗	✗	✗	✗	30% ⊗
Hydrochloric acid, aqueous	30%	20	20% ✗	20% ✗	20% ✗	3% ✗	⊗	⊗	⊗	15% ⊗
Lubricating grease, ester oil base		110	✗	✗						
Polyphenyl ester base		110	⊗	⊗	⊗					
Lubricating grease, silicone oil base		110	⊗	⊗	⊗					
Carbon disulphide	100%	20	⊗	⊗	⊗		⊗	✗	✗	✗
Sodium sulfide, aqueous	diluted	40					⊗	⊗	⊗	
Sulphuric acid, aqueous	10%	20	✗	✗	✗	3% ✗	50% ⊗	50% ⊗	50% ⊗	⊗
Sea water		40	⊗	⊗	⊗	20 °C ⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
Soap solution, aqueous	all	20	diluted ⊗	diluted ⊗	diluted ⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗
Carbon tetrachloride	100%	20	⊗	⊗	⊗		✗	✗	✗	✗
Toluene	100%	20	⊗	⊗	⊗	✗		✗	✗	✗
Trichloroethylene	100%	20	✗	✗	✗		✗	✗	✗	
Vinyl acetate	100%	20					⊗			
Hydrogen	100%	60	20 °C ⊗	20 °C ⊗	20 °C ⊗		⊗	⊗	⊗	20 °C ⊗
Xylene	100%	20	⊗	⊗	⊗		✗	✗	✗	✗
Zinc chloride, aqueous	diluted	60	10% ✗	10% ✗			⊗	⊗	⊗	50 °C ⊗
Zinc sulphate, aqueous	diluted	60					⊗	⊗	⊗	20 °C ⊗
Zinc chloride, aqueous	diluted	40					⊗	⊗	⊗	✗
Citric acid	to 10%	40	20 °C ⊗	20 °C ⊗	20 °C ⊗	3% ✗	⊗	⊗	⊗	⊗

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