

Hexanitrostilbene – HNS (Heat-Resistant Explosive)

Characteristics and Specifications

HNS Type	HNS fine	HNS ultrafine acc. to STANAG 4170	HNS granulated Low Bulk Density (LBD)	HNS granulated High Bulk Density (HBD)
Melting point (°C) (DSC 20 °C/min)	> 320	> 320	> 320	> 320
Primary crystal size (µm)	30 - 100	< 20 (at D90)	35 - 75	35 - 75
Particle size of agglomerates (%)				
> 1.25 mm	---	---	≤ 2	≤ 2
< 0.30 mm	---	---	≤ 4	≤ 4
Bulk density (g/cm³)	0.2 – 0.5	---	0.65 – 0.70	> 0.70
Specific surface area (m²/g)	---	> 5.0	---	---
Acidity (% , as HNO₃)	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
Alkalinity (% , as NaOH)	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
Vacuum stability (ml / 2.5g)				
250 °C / 1h 15min	< 4.0	< 4.0	< 4.0	< 4.0
Loss in weight (%)				
150 °C / 16h	< 0.2	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1
260 °C / 1h	< 1.5	< 1.0	< 1.0	< 1.0
Insoluble residue in DMF (%)	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1
Hexanitrodibenzyl (HNBB) (%)	< 0.5	< 0.3	< 0.3	< 0.3
TNT (%)	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1

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