# **Technical information**

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# **VICANT SB (VSB511)**

# **Specification**

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# Description

Vicant SB is an anti oxidant and anti browning agent designed to enhance flavour and colloidal stability in beer

#### **Appearance**

A white crystalline powder

# **Application**

Vicant SB should be added inline to beer as a 5% solution either immediately prior to, or after filtration.

When using Vicant SB at recommended addition rates there is a negligible effect on beer pH

#### **Addition rates**

Typical addition rates for Vicant SB fall within the range 2 – 3 g/hl

#### **Constituents**

Vicant SB is a mixture of ascorbic acid ( $C_6H_8O_6$ ) and sodium metabisulphite ( $Na_2S_2O_5$ )

## Heavy metals (max mg/kg)

| As | 1 |
|----|---|
| Pb | 2 |
| Hg | 1 |
| Cd | 1 |

## Microbiological

| Total viable count/g | <u>&lt;</u> 100 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Salmonella/25g       | negative        |
| Coliforms/g          | <u>&lt;</u> 25  |

## Regulatory

Legislation may vary from country to country. Local regulations should be consulted.

The components of Vicant SB are permitted as beer additives via EC Directive 1333/2008 (as amended) which gives the maximum limit of  $SO_2$  in beer as 20 ppm (50 mg/kg for secondary fermented beer in cask) 200 ppm in cider and 260 ppm in made wine. EC allergens labelling requires that added  $SO_2$  at 10 ppm or more is labelled.

## **Packaging and Storage**

Standard packaging: 20 kg polythene-lined cartons. Vicant SB should be stored in a cool, dry environment. Label details:
Product name
Identification code

Pack weight
Date of manufacture
Batch number

#### Shelf-life

18 months from date of manufacture when stored under ideal conditions in original unopened packaging