





Monnex

Class BCE Powder

Description

Monnex powder is based on potassium bicarbonate – urea complex and was developed by ICI in England. It is now manufactured and distributed by Kerr Fire Fighting Chemicals. **Monnex** is recommended for large fires (Class B and C) where superior fire extinguishing qualities and reliable protection is of paramount importance.

For example, when filled in hand appliances, **Monnex** will easily extinguish fires which would otherwise need wheeled units. Similarly, **Monnex** is particularly effective against fire involving alcohols, ketones and esters, which are more difficult for conventional fire fighting agents.

Due to the low density of **Monnex**, it is not normally possible to charge an extinguisher to its normal capacity. A 75% charge by weight is considered average.

Typical physiochemical properties

Off white powder	
Minimum 0.60 kg/cu dm	
Less than 0.25%	
0.35mm	
Not corrosive or abrasive	
-60°C to +55°C	

Extinguishing mechanism

As with BC powders, **Monnex** interferes with the chemical reactions which occur within the combustion zone. However, the unique property of **Monnex** is that within the combustion zone, the high temperature causes the powder to explode and break into minute particles giving a very large surface area which effects the extinction of the flames.

Monnex is the only powder to possess this unique property.

Quality control and approvals

Kerr powders are manufactured according to European Standard EN615 (1995). Manufacturing process and quality control systems have been approved to BS.EN.ISO 9001 (2000).

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Packaging

Kerr powders are available in a range of pack sizes and styles. **Monnex** powder is packed in individual extinguisher size cartons ranging from 3 kilo to 10 kilo. For bulk filling, they can be supplied in 25 kilo metal drums, stretch wrapped on pallets of 900 kilo. These packages are suitable for containerised shipment.

Storage

Kerr powders are formulated not to be affected by long term storage. However, although all powders are stable at low temperatures, there are upper temperature limits for storage which will depend on the chemical nature of the particular powder. As a general guide, temperatures of 50°C should not be exceeded.

Powders should be stored in a dry location in original packaging until required for use.

Shipping specification

The following table is intended as a guide for typical size packaging for **Monnex** powder.

	Gross Weight (kg)	Dimension (cm)
36 x 25 kg drums per 900kg nett	990	130 x 120 x 151

Expected fire ratings obtained using **Monnex** in portable fire extinguishers.

Weight	0.8 Kg	1.5 Kg	2.3 Kg
Tray Size	89 B	144 B	233 B
Fire Area (sqm)	2.80	4.54	7.32
Fuel Load (Ltr)	89	144	233



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