

Cost-Effective Replacements for HCFC-141b

Spray Foam Insulation



Replace HCFC-141b in Your Spray Foam Formulation with Confidence

Honeywell, Blowing Agent Technology Leader for 70+ Years

Honeywell has been at the forefront of blowing agent technology for decades, first offering chlorofluorocarbons like CFC-11, followed by HCFC-141b.

Honeywell's Enovate® 245fa (HFC-245fa), part of the third-generation of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), has long been considered a standard in the spray foam insulation industry. For over 15 years, it has delivered proven performance globally in spray foam wall and roof applications. It has a global-warming-potential (GWP) of 858.

In 2014, Honeywell introduced Solstice® Liquid Blowing Agent (HFO-1233zd(E)), based on hydrofluoro-olefin (HFO) technology, which retained all the positive attributes of Enovate 245fa, but boasts a GWP of 1, which is 99.9 percent lower than HFCs and equal to carbon dioxide.

Cost-Effective Solutions, Available Today, Offer Equal or Better Performance

Honeywell tested spray foam formulations with various blowing agents as replacements for HCFC-141b. Both of the Honeywell blowing agent solutions, Enovate 245fa and Solstice LBA, provide the following benefits:

- Nonflammable no flame limits
- Non-ozone-depleting
- Compatible with most materials of construction
- Thermally stable
- Better low temperature thermal performance
- Liquid at room temperature

Review the following blowing agent comparison information to help determine which solution is best for you.

Formulation Detail

Parts	HCFC-141b System	HFC-245fa System
Polyol A	33	40
Polyol B	14	18
Polyol C	_	15
Polyol D	18	_
Water	2	3
Flame Retardant	6.5	6.5
Catalyst A	0.5	0.5
Catalyst B	3.5	3.5
Catalyst C	0.14	0.14
Surfactant	1.5	1.5
Glycerine	4	4
HCFC-141b	18	
HFC-245fa	_	12

Physical Property Data

	HCFC-141b System	HFC-245fa System
Core Density (kg/m³)	32.5	32
Dimensional Stability, (% Volume Change at 28 Days)		
-20°C	2.0	1.8
70°C	1.9	2.0
Initial λ (mW/mK) @10°C	20.3	20.9

HFC-245fa vs HCFC-141b

Cost-effective in formulations:

- Near "drop-in" replacement
- Superior blowing efficiency—potential to use less blowing agent for comparable formulation cost
- Good misciblity in polyols
- Nonflammable polyol blends

Cost-effective in the field:

- Reduce blowing agent levels by 30% or more and achieve equivalent lambda
- Use existing equipment
- Wider application window

Use less Enovate 245fa to achieve equivalent properties to foam made with HCFC-141b.

Solstice LBA vs HFCs

Next-Generation Solstice Liquid Blowing Agent Available Today

In addition to Enovate 245fa as a replacement for HCFC-141b, Honeywell offers Solstice LBA, a proven, ultra-low GWP replacement for HFCs or HCFCs. Solstice LBA not only enables superior foam performance, it helps your formulation stay ahead of changing environmental regulations (see sidebar).

Cost-effective in formulations:

- Superior blowing efficiency—potential to use less blowing agent
- Lower molecular weight than HFC-245fa or HFC-365mfc means less blowing agent needed to do the job
- Lower vapor pressure in polyol blends as much as 60% lower in formulations tested
- Higher misciblity in polyols—as much as 20% higher than HFC-245fa in polyols tested
- Nonflammable polyol blends

Cost-effective in the field:

- Improved lambda—4-6% better than foams made with HFCs
- Improved blowing efficiency—10-15% yield improvement reported in the field
- Use existing equipment
- Equivalent application window

Use equal or less Solstice LBA to achieve the same or better insulation performance than HFCs.



As defined by the Montreal Protocol, Article V countries are being required to phase out their use of HCFC blowing agents, such as HCFC-141b.

Product Phaseout

In October 2016, delegates to The Montreal Protocol agreed in Kigali, Rwanda to an historic amendment that adds high-GWP HFCs to the Protocol and establishes schedules for their phase down in developed and developing countries.

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