

# Iscaguard 9256

Paraben Free	Thiazolinone Free	Formaldehyde Free	Preservative Free	Natural
✓	✓	✓	✗	✗

INCI declaration
Benzyl Alcohol, Caprylyl Glycol

Iscaguard 9256 is a liquid preservative blend containing Caprylyl Glycol and Benzyl Alcohol. It is a mild, yet effective preservative for personal care formulations that is highly effective against bacteria, yeasts, moulds and fungi. Iscaguard 9256 has the added benefit of headspace protection due to the presence of Benzyl Alcohol.

In Use Concentrations	ISCA recommendation	EU Cosmetic Regulation (max)
Leave-on	0.5 – 1.0 %	1.1 %
Rinse-off	0.5 – 1.0 %	1.1 %

In use concentrations vary according to the formulation type and other ingredients present. The correct use dosage should be determined by microbial challenge testing of the finished formulation (ISCA UK offers discounted challenge testing to our customers).

## Recommended Applications

Shampoo, Shower gel (Rinse-off)	Creams, lotions (Leave-on)	O/W emulsions	W/O emulsions	Wet wipes	Eye care	Lip Care	Oral care	Children under 3
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Use scenarios derived from evaluation of Cosmetic Regulation guidelines and preservative performance for typical formulations.

Formulation guidelines	
pH (effective range)	3.0 – 8.5
Solubility (Water)	~ 3 %
Solubility (glycols)	Miscible
Maximum Process Temperature	80 °C
General information	Iscaguard 9256 is compatible with most personal care ingredients. In aqueous formulations, heating to 40°C may be required in order to fully dissolve the preservative.

Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations	
Microorganism	MIC (%)
<b>Bacteria (gram-negative)</b>	
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	0.30
Escherichia coli	0.40
<b>Bacteria (gram-positive)</b>	
Staphylococcus aureus	0.30

Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations	
Microorganism	MIC (%)
<b>Yeasts</b>	
Candida albicans	0.40
<b>Moulds</b>	
Aspergillus niger	0.25


Physical Properties (approximate)	
Appearance	Colourless liquid
Odour	Mild aromatic
Density at 20°C	~ 1.035 gcm <sup>-3</sup>

Physical Properties (approximate)	
Colour	< 20 Hazen
Solubility in water	~ 3 %
Solubility in glycols	Miscible

Safety information

Cosmetic Regulation labelling requirements
No special labelling requirements.

Transport information	
	not regulated
UN number	-
UN proper shipping name	-
Transport hazard class	-
Packing group	-
Environmental hazards	-

Hazard classification/labelling	
Hazard pictograms	
Signal word	Warning
Hazard statements	H319 Causes serious eye irritation. H302 Harmful if swallowed. H332 Harmful if inhaled.