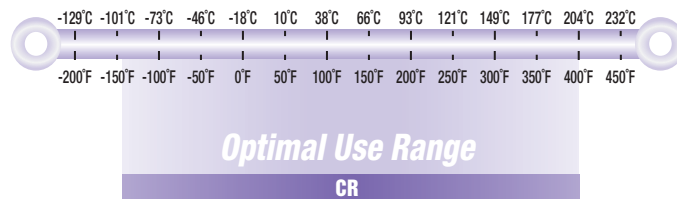


# Paratherm-CR<sup>®</sup>

## Heat Transfer Fluid



Low-Temperature Process Cooling to -140°F (-96°C)

ENGINEERING BULLETIN CR409

Paratherm CR<sup>®</sup> Heat Transfer Fluid is a unique blend of synthetic components formulated to provide superior cooling performance in closed-loop heat-transfer systems operating down to -140°F (-96°C) yet is capable of maintenance free operation up to 425°F.

### Applications include:

- Fine and specialty chemical processing
- Pharmaceutical production
- Environmental test chambers

### Increased Capacity in Existing Systems

In the cryogenic temperature range, Paratherm CR Heat Transfer Fluid has significantly lower viscosity than silicone-based heat transfer fluids. Simply replacing existing fluid with Paratherm CR heat transfer fluid can increase the cooling output of the system by up to 50% at -70°C and up to 70% at -90°C.

### Easier to Work With

Paratherm CR Heat Transfer Fluid will not leave a slippery residue on surfaces if it leaks out. Water will not accelerate fluid degradation or cause significant changes in the freeze point. Testing has shown that Paratherm CR heat transfer fluid will not cause copper tubing to oxidize if water is present, thus offering designers more flexibility in material selection.

### Typical Physical Properties

Base	Synthetic Hydrocarbon Blend
Appearance	Water White Liquid
Odor	Sweet Odor
Maximum Recommended Film Temperature	550°F/288°C
Maximum Recommended Operating Temperature-Fired Heaters	Not Recommended
Maximum Recommended Operating Temperature-All Others	425°F/218°C
Minimum Operating Temperature 20 cPs (20 mPa-s)	-140°F/-96°C
Minimum Start-up Temperature 300 cPs (300mPa-s)	-185°F/-121°C
Flash Point Closed Cup D56	>110°F/43°C
Autoignition Temperature (E659)	>110°F/43°C
Vapor Pressure@Max Operating Temperature psia (kPa)	18 (124)
% Average Volume Expansion per 100°F (100°C)	8.7 (15.7)
Average Molecular Weight	130
Dielectric Breakdown voltage D1816-04 (kV, 0.1" gap)	36.11
Dielectric Constant (1 KHz) D924-04	2.59
Dissipation Factor (1 KHz) D924-04	0.00145
Volume Resistivity at 100V (Ω-cm) D257-07	8.3X10 <sup>11</sup>
Heat of Combustion (approximate) BTU/lb (kJ/kg)	17,000 (39,400)
Heat of Vaporization (approximate) BTU/lb (kJ/kg)	148 (343)
Pour Point D97 °F (°C)	<-150°F/-101°C

\* These are typical laboratory values, and are not guaranteed for all samples

### Fluid Storage

Drums should be stored inside to prevent water from getting into the heat transfer fluid. If sealed drums must be left outdoors, they should be stored on their sides. While unopened totes are weatherproof, they should not be stacked if left outdoors. If the fluid is to be stored outside below its minimum pumpable temperature, the containers should be moved indoors to warm up before charging the fluid into the system.

### Replacing Existing Storage

In many cases, changing fluid involves a straightforward drain and fill. There are very few fluids that are so incompatible that 10-15% residue will affect the new Paratherm. If you have any questions, contact us.

### Changing New Systems

Unless required for product-quality reasons, new systems do not need to be cleaned before Paratherm is charged. The amount of chemical

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coatings, oils, and other manufacturing residues are usually not enough to affect the fluid life. All that is necessary is to install a Y-strainer with a minimum 60-mesh screen upstream of the pump to catch any metal or welding residue. The screen can be removed once the system has been cycled twice through its operating temperature.

## Fluid Analysis

The fluid in new systems should be tested within the 9 to 12 months of start-up. New fluid in existing systems should be tested within the first month of operation to establish a baseline for future testing.



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### Physical Properties

°F	°C	Specific Gravity	Density		Viscosity			Specific Heat BTU/(lb-°F)	Thermal Conductivity BTU/(hr-ft-°F/ft)	Vapor Pressure	
			lb/gal	lb/ft³	cSt	cP	lb/(hr-ft)			mm Hg	psia
-150	-101	0.9492	7.93	59.32	37.9	36.0	87.1	0.3512	0.0863		
-100	-73	0.9212	7.70	57.57	5.51	5.08	12.3	0.3759	0.0851		
-50	-46	0.8932	7.46	55.82	2.75	2.46	5.95	0.4006	0.0838		
0	-18	0.8653	7.23	54.08	1.83	1.58	3.82	0.4252	0.0825	0.01	
50	10	0.8373	7.00	52.33	1.09	0.91	2.21	0.4499	0.0814	2.51	0.05
100	38	0.8093	6.76	50.58	0.82	0.66	1.60	0.4745	0.0802	10.0	0.19
150	66	0.7813	6.53	48.83	0.66	0.52	1.25	0.4992	0.0791	33.0	0.64
200	93	0.7534	6.29	47.08	0.56	0.42	1.02	0.5239	0.0779	89.0	1.72
250	121	0.7254	6.06	45.34	0.50	0.36	0.87	0.5485	0.0766	210	4.06
300	149	0.6974	5.83	43.59	0.45	0.31	0.76	0.5732	0.0752	450	8.70
350	177	0.6695	5.59	41.84	0.42	0.28	0.68	0.5978	0.0739	737	14.3
400	204	0.6415	5.36	40.09	0.39	0.25	0.61	0.6225	0.0727	953	18.4

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