



AeroShell Fluid 41

AeroShell Fluid 41 is a mineral hydraulic oil manufactured to a very high level of cleanliness, and possesses improved fluid properties. AeroShell Fluid 41 contains additives which provide excellent low temperature fluidity as well as exceptional anti-wear, oxidation - corrosion inhibition and shear stability. In addition metal de-activators and foam inhibitors are included in this high viscosity index fluid to enhance performance in hydraulic applications. AeroShell Fluid 41 is capable of wide temperature range operation.

AeroShell Fluid 41 is dyed red.

DESIGNED TO MEET CHALLENGES

Main Applications

- AeroShell Fluid 41 is intended as an hydraulic fluid in all modern aircraft applications requiring a mineral hydraulic fluid. AeroShell Fluid 41 is particularly recommended where use of a "superclean" fluid can contribute to improvements in component reliability, and can be used in aircraft systems operating unpressurised between -54°C to 90°C and pressurised between -54°C to 135°C.
- AeroShell Fluid 41 should be used in systems with synthetic rubber components and must not be used in systems incorporating natural rubber.
- AeroShell Fluid 41 is compatible with AeroShell Fluids 4, 31, 51, 61 and 71 and SSF/LGF.
- Chlorinated solvents should not be used for cleaning hydraulic components which use AeroShell Fluid 41. The residual solvent contaminates the hydraulic fluid and may lead to corrosion.

Specifications, Approvals & Recommendations

- Approved MIL-PRF-5606H* (both U.S. and European production)
- Approved DEF STAN 91-48 Grade Superclean* (European production only)
- Meets DEF STAN 91-48 Grade Normal (European production only) Equivalent to DEF STAN 91-48 Grades Superclean* & Normal (U.S. production only)
- Approved DCSEA 415/A (French)
- Analogue to AMG-10 (Russian)
- NATO Code H-515* (equivalent H-520)
- Joint Service Designation OM-15* (equivalent OM-18)

For a full listing of equipment approvals and recommendations, please consult your local Shell Technical Helpdesk, or the OEM Approvals website.

Typical Physical Characteristics

Properties			MIL-PRF-5606H	Typical US Production	Typical European Production
Oil Type			Mineral	Mineral	Mineral
Kinematic viscosity	@100°C	mm ² /s	4.90 min	6.13	5.30
Kinematic viscosity	@40°C	mm ² /s	13.2 min	15.68	14.1
Kinematic viscosity	@-40°C	mm ² /s	600 max	384	491
Kinematic viscosity	@-54°C	mm ² /s	2500 max	1450	2300
Viscosity index			-	214	Over 200
Flashpoint (Pensky Martin Closed Cup)		°C	82 min	104	105
Autoignition temperature		°C	-	230	230
Pour point		°C	-60 max	<-60	<-60
Total acid number		mgKOH/g	0.20 max	0	0.01
Evaporation loss 6 hrs	@71°C	%m	20 max	16.5	10
Water content		ppm	100 max	55	<100
Relative density	@15.6/15.6°C		Report	0.874	0.87

Properties		MIL-PRF-5606H	Typical US Production	Typical European Production
Colour		Red	Red	Red
Particulate contamination, number of particles per 100 ml in size range	5 to 15 µm	10000 max	1200	808
Particulate contamination, number of particles per 100 ml in size range	15 to 25 µm	1000 max	550	116
Particulate contamination, number of particles per 100 ml in size range	25 to 50 µm	150 max	70	44
Particulate contamination, number of particles per 100 ml in size range	50 to 100 µm	20 max	5	10
Particulate contamination, number of particles per 100 ml in size range	over 100 µm	5 max	0	1
Copper corrosion		2e max	1b	2b
Steel on steel wear, scar diam	mm	1.0 max	0.65	0.95
Rubber swell, L rubber	%	19 to 30	22	25.4
Corrosiveness & oxidation, 168 hrs @135°C - metal weight change		Must Pass	Passes	Passes
Corrosiveness & oxidation, 168 hrs @ 135°C - viscosity change	@40°C %	-5 to +20	8.08	+0.1
Corrosiveness & oxidation, 168 hrs @135°C - acid number change	mgKOH/g	0.20 max	0.02	+0.1
Low temperature stability 72 hrs	@-54°C	Must Pass	Passes	Passes
Shear stability - viscosity change	@40°C	Must Pass	Passes	Passes
Shear stability - acid number change		0.2 max	Less than 0.2	Less than 0.2
Gravimetric filtration	mg/100m	0.3 max	0.1	Less than 0.3
filtration time	min	15 max	10	Less than 15
Foaming tendency		Must Pass	Passes	Passes
Barium content	ppm	10 max	Nil	Nil

These characteristics are typical of current production. Whilst future production will conform to Shell's specification, variations in these characteristics may occur.

Health, Safety & Environment

■ Health and Safety

Guidance on Health and Safety is available on the appropriate Material Safety Data Sheet, which can be obtained from <http://www.epc.shell.com/>

■ Protect the Environment

Take used oil to an authorised collection point. Do not discharge into drains, soil or water.

Additional Information

■ Advice

Advice on applications not covered here may be obtained from your Shell representative.

■ *Superclean grades

The British specification DEF STAN 91-48 covers two grades (normal and superclean) of mineral hydraulic fluid which differ only in their cleanliness limits. AeroShell Fluid 41 is manufactured to meet the superclean requirements and thus it also meets the requirements of the normal grade.