# POWDER MAGNESIUMOXIDE FOR LEATHER TANNING











TANMA is a safe, high quality basifying agent used in the tanning industry for efficient chrome fixation resulting in the production of high quality leathers.

# **DESCRIPTION**

TANMA is a white free flowing powder processed from extra quality natural magnesite specially selected for this application. TANMA is carefully controlled during the purification, calcination and sizing steps to provide a consistent product with low iron, low heavy metals and well controlled chemical reactivity to fully satisfy the chrome tanning requirements.

#### **PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

**Physical form:** 

Fine, white, gritless powder 100% below 250 microns

Particle size :

98% below 200 microns [EN 196]

MgO content:

94%

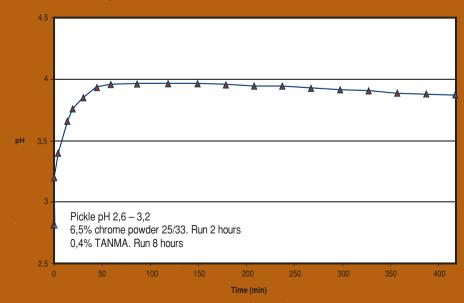
#### **PACKAGING AND STORAGE**

TANMA is packed in 25 kgs multi-ply paper sacks with one polyethylene coated ply. Big bags of 1500kgs each, with or without bottom spout are also available.

Indefinite shelf life if stored in a dry place. Partly used bags must be re-sealed.



## TARIMA: pH IN CHROME TANNAGE



#### **APPLICATIONS**

TANMA is the ideal basifier for the chrome tannage where a slow, gradual release of alkali is required. TANMA is fully dissolved by the end of a 6 - 8h tannage. It is added in powder form in one dose after the chrome has penetrated the leather.



#### **FUNCTIONS AND ADVANTAGES**

• Ensures reliable performance without pH initial peaks, leading to a uniform chrome distribution throughout the leather and a smoother, finer grain.



- Reduces labour/handling costs by eliminating the need for repeated additions.
- Its microstructure and well-controlled fine particle size eliminate the risk of abrasion to the pelt and ensure consistently reliable results.
- The risk of green stains caused by local precipitation of chrome is greatly reduced.
- Enables the production of wet blue leather with a pale colour, suitable for the production of white and all dye shades.



- A higher exhaustion of chrome is achieved, leading to lower offers of chrome, with consequent cost savings and effluent improvement.
- The exhaust chrome float can be used directly or the chrome can be precipitated, dissolved and reused.

## **QUANTITIES AND USE**

An addition of 0,3% to 0,5% of TARMA on limed hide weight is sufficient in most cases. Slight adjustments may be required to achieve the correct balance depending on the pH value during pickling and the quantity of chrome used.

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With a wide range of magnesium carbonate, caustic calcined magnesite, deadburned magnesite and monolithic refractory products, Grecian Magnesite covers a broad spectrum of applications and industries.

# **RELIABILITY IN ALL RESPECTS**

- Quality assurance of our products and procedures (ISO 9001:2000 Certified).
- After sales service.
- Research and development for continuous optimisation of existing products and development of new products and applications.

# **OUR PRODUCTS**

We are a fully integrated manufacturer, extracting magnesite from our own open cast mine in Northern Greece, mining, crushing, purifying, calcining, grinding, sieving and packing in a continuous operation.

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