

Methyldibromoglutaronitrile

Your patch tests indicate you have a contact allergy to methyldibromoglutaronitrile. This means that you should avoid all products containing methyldibromoglutaronitrile in the future. It is also known as dibromodicyanobutane, Euxyl K 400 and Tektamer 38

Methyldibromoglutaronitrile is a preservative. In 2005, the European Union, banned the use of methyldibromoglutaronitrile in stay-on cosmetic products, and then later in 2007 also in rinse-off products.

It may be found in the following types of products

- Cosmetics and shampoos (outside the EU)
- Household products

 Detergents and washing up liquid
 Fabric softeners
 Glues (including those attaching labels to jars)
 Polishes
 - Industrial Glues and adhesives Cutting oils, coolants and metalworking fluids Wood preservatives Car care products Latex paints
- Veterinary products e.g. shampoos

Always check your products as these lists can never be complete and ingredients change.