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Example I

A silver halide emulsion in gelatin containing 4% silver iodide and 96% silver bromide was prepared in a conventional manner and brought up to its maximum light sensitivity. It was then readied for coating on film base, that is, melted at 40° C. and the necessary coating

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finals were added such as sensitizing dyes, stabilizers and hardeners. A 10% aqueous solution of an ethoxylated glycerol ricinoleate containing 12 to 13 mols of ethylene oxide per mol of glycerol ricinoleate was prepared and 10 cc. of this solution were added to a sample of the above described emulsion containing about 0.4 mol of silver halide. A sample of the same emulsion but not containing the speed increasing additive served as a control. The so prepared emulsion samples were coated on a suitable cellulose ester base and dried. Samples of these film coatings were then exposed in a Type IIB Sensitometer, developed in a developer of the following composition:

Metol -----	1.5
Sodium sulfite, anhydrous -----	45.0
Sodium bisulfite -----	1.0
Hydroquinone -----	3.0
Sodium carbonate, monohydrated -----	6.8
Potassium bromide -----	.8
Water, to make 1.0 liter.	

The results obtained were as follows:

Quantity of Polyethoxylated Glycerol Ricinoleate, gram	Relative Speed	Fog	
		After 12' Dev.	6 Days Oven Test and 4' Dev.
0	100	.14	.08
1	160	.23	.14

Example II

A silver halide emulsion in gelatin containing 4% silver iodide and 96% silver bromide was coated on film

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base. After coating, an aqueous gelatin solution containing 20 grams of gelatin per liter and 1.2 grams of the polyethoxylated glycerol ricinoleate of Example I was coated thereon as an anti-abrasion layer. After drying, film samples were exposed and processed as described in Example I. The samples exhibited a relative speed of 175 with a fog of .16 as compared with a type coating of the same emulsion having an anti-abrasion layer similar to that described above, but lacking the speed increasing additive and having a speed of 100 and a fog of .12.

Our invention is not limited to the detailed description contained herein, but includes all modifications that fall within the scope of the appended claims.

We claim:

1. A photographic material comprising a light-sensitive organic colloid silver halide emulsion having in contact therewith a component in addition to the colloid, said component comprising a water-soluble polyoxyethoxylated glycerol ricinoleate having an average molecular weight of at least 1372 to increase the sensitivity thereof.

2. A photographic material as recited in claim 1 wherein the polyoxyethoxylated glycerol ricinoleate contains from 12 to 13 mols of ethylene oxide per mol of glycerol ricinoleate.

3. A light-sensitive organic colloid silver halide emulsion containing as a sensitizer therefor in addition to the colloid a water-soluble polyoxyethoxylated glycerol ricinoleate having an average molecular weight of at least 1372.

4. A photographic material comprising a base and a layer of a light-sensitive organic colloid silver halide emulsion on said base, said layer being overcoated with another layer comprising a water-soluble polyoxyethoxylated glycerol ricinoleate having an average molecular weight of at least 1372.

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