

RUST O CAP LX

Surface tolerant epoxy coating

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Two component, high build, self-priming surface tolerant epoxy coating

FEATURES AND RECOMMENDED USE

- Designed as a maintenance coating for protection of steel in industrial environments
- Self priming; eliminates the usage of primer
- Suitable as a touch up coat in projects for weld seams and damaged epoxy coating
- Can be applied on marginally prepared surfaces; tolerant to lower grades of steel preparation
- Good corrosion resistance and chemical resistance
- Can be over coated with conventional coatings and most two component paints
- Good adhesion to aged and sound epoxy, polyurethane and conventional alkyds

TECHNICAL DATA

Colour	Greys
Gloss	Satin
Volume Solids	Approx. 80%
Recommended DFT / Coat	75 - 125 microns
Theoretical Coverage Capacity	10.7 sq.mtr/ ltr @ 75 microns DFT 6.4 sq.mtr/ ltr @ 125 microns DFT
Drying time at 30°C	Surface Dry : 2 hours Hard Dry : 12 hours Full cure : 7 days
Over coating interval at 30°C	Min. : 12 hours Max. : 1 Month, provided surface is dry and clean from all contamination.

The data given is for guideline only. The physical values are subject to normal manufacturing tolerances, colour and testing variances
The volume solids indicated are as per ASTM D 2697 air drying method.
The actual drying time/ overcoat interval may be shorter or longer, depending on film thickness, ventilation, humidity, temperature etc.
The information provided above is at 30°C and 65% relative humidity.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE

Surface Preparation

General

- Surfaces must be dry, clean and free from contaminants
- Ensure removal of dirt, dust, oil and all other contaminants that could interfere with adhesion of the coating. Oil and grease should be removed as per SSPC-SP1 solvent cleaning
- Surface should be checked and treated in accordance with ISO 8504 prior to priming

Blast Cleaning

- Steel, abrasive blast clean to min. Sa 2 1/2 (ISO 8501-1: 200) or SSPC –SP6. In case oxidation has occurred between blasting and application of Rust O Cap LX, the surface should be reblasted
- A blasting profile of (Rz) 50-60 microns is recommended

A. Steel

For atmospheric exposure condition

- New hot-rolled steel; blast cleaned to min Sa 2 of Swedish specification
- Weathered steel; power tool cleaned to St 3 or hand tool cleaned to St 2
- Existing sound epoxy coating system and sound alkyd coatings; sufficiently roughened, dried, and cleaned
- High pressure fresh water washing or scrubbing to remove loose paint and contamination. Intact areas to be roughened. Damaged and rusty areas to be derusted to minimum St3 /St2 by power tool / hand tool cleaning

Application Conditions

- Substrate temperature should be at least 3°C above dew point but not above 50°C
- Relative humidity should be below 85%
- Good ventilation is required in confined areas to ensure proper curing

Mixing

- Rust O Cap LX is supplied in two packs. Stir the base and hardener separately. If settling is observed in the base or hardener, loosen the settled material with the help of hand stirrer followed by power driven stirrer (at lower RPM) for quick homogenous mixing
- Mix hardener gradually into the base under continuous stirring as per the mixing ratio. Once the unit has been mixed, it should be consumed within the working pot life. In case of part mixing (which should be avoided), close the lids of containers tightly to avoid contact with atmospheric moisture
- Thinner should be added after mixing the components and post the induction time. Addition of excessive thinner will lead to reduced sag resistance

Mixing Ratio (by volume)	Base : Hardener 5 : 1
Induction Time	15 minutes
Pot Life at 30°C	2 hour

Application

Airless Spray	
Recommended thinner	T 121
Volume of thinner	5 - 15%
Nozzle orifice	0.23 - 0.3 mm (9 – 12 Thou)
Nozzle Pressure	14 – 18 MPa (= approx. 140 – 180 atm; 2000 – 2600 p.s.i.)
Cleaning Thinner	T 121
Brush	
Recommended thinner	T 121
Volume of thinner	0 - 10%
Cleaning Thinner	T 121

Note: Air spray is generally not recommended. For touch up of small and inaccessible area air spray can be done.

Cleaning

- Do not allow the product to remain in hoses, gun or spray equipment. Clean all equipment immediately after use with Thinner T 141. It is recommended to periodically flush out spray equipment during the course of the working day. The frequency of cleaning will depend on amount sprayed, temperature and time gap
- All surplus material and empty containers should be disposed off in accordance with appropriate regional legislation

Special Instruction

- Surface discoloration may occur upon exposure to sunlight, elevated temperatures or chemicals. However, this does not impact anti-corrosive performance
- Not recommended for immersion services in acids, alkalies & solvents

Product Characteristics

- Maximum film build in one coat is best attained by airless spray. By brush application typical 75 microns is achieved in one coat and multiple coats will be required to achieve the total specified thickness
- The maximum performance is achieved after complete curing
- A minimum of two coats application is recommended over prepared surface
- As common to all epoxy, the product will chalk and discolour on exterior exposure. However these phenomenon are not detrimental to anti-corrosive performance

PACK SIZE	20 ltrs (Base : 16.67 ltrs & Hardener : 3.33 ltrs)
STORAGE	Shelf Life: Atleast 12 months @ 30°C for original unopened pack, subject to inspection thereafter. Store in a cool, dry place and in accordance with local regulations
REGULATORY INFORMATION	Flash point: Base : Not less than 24°C Hardener : Not less than 24°C VOC: Approx. 160 ± 40 gm/ ltr (depending on shades) as per USA-EPA Method 24 Product Weight: Approx. 1.71 ± 0.06 kg/ ltr (depending on shades)

SAFETY INFORMATION

- As a general safety measure, inhalation of solvent vapours or paint mist and contact of liquid paint with skin & eyes, should be avoided. Forced ventilation should be provided when applying paint in confined spaces or stagnant air. Even when ventilation is provided, respiratory, skin and eye protection are always recommended when spraying paint
- Please refer our Material Safety Data Sheet prior to using the product

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