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#### **DESCRIPTION**

Two-component, moisture-curing zinc-rich (ethyl) silicate coating

#### PRINCIPAL CHARACTERISTICS

- Tank coating with excellent solvent and chemical resistance
- · To be used as tank coating or as a system primer in various paint systems based on unsaponifiable binders
- Can withstand substrate temperatures from –90°C (–130°F) up to 400°C (750°F), under normal atmospheric exposure conditions
- High zinc content resulting in excellent corrosion protection
- Good impact and abrasion resistance
- Certificate for ASTM A-490 class 'B' for slip coefficient
- · Recognized corrosion control coating (Lloyd's register)
- Must not be used for immersion in alkaline (more than pH 9) or acidic (less than pH 5.5) liquids
- Complies with SSPC-Paint 20 level 2 and ISO 12944.5

#### **COLOR AND GLOSS LEVEL**

- Gray
- Flat

#### BASIC DATA AT 20°C (68°F)

Data for mixed product	
Number of components	Two
Mass density	2.7 kg/l (22.5 lb/US gal)
Volume solids	65 ± 2%
VOC (Supplied)	Directive 1999/13/EC, SED: max. 167.0 g/kg UK PG 6/23(92) Appendix 3: max. 452.0 g/l (approx. 3.8 lb/US gal)
Recommended dry film thickness	75 - 100 µm (3.0 - 4.0 mils) depending on system
Theoretical spreading rate	8.7 m²/l for 75 µm (348 ft²/US gal for 3.0 mils)
Dry to touch	30 minutes
Overcoating Interval	Minimum: 12 hours Maximum: Unlimited
Full cure after	12 hours
Shelf life	Binder: at least 9 months when stored cool and dry Pigment: at least 24 months when stored pigment moisture free

# Notes:

- See ADDITIONAL DATA Spreading rate and film thickness
- See ADDITIONAL DATA Overcoating intervals
- See ADDITIONAL DATA Curing time

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#### RECOMMENDED SUBSTRATE CONDITIONS AND TEMPERATURES

#### **Substrate conditions**

- Steel; blast cleaned to ISO-Sa2½, blasting profile 40 70 μm (1.6 2.8 mils)
- A heavy pitted steel substrate is not acceptable

### Substrate temperature and application conditions

- Substrate temperature during application should be between -5°C (23°F) and 40°C (104°F)
- Substrate temperature during application should be at least 3°C (5°F) above dew point
- Relative humidity during curing should be above 50%

## **SYSTEM SPECIFICATION**

# System for chemical resistance according to the latest issue of the chemical resistance list.

• SIGMAGUARD 750: 1x 75-100 μm (3.0-4.0 mils)

# **INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE**

# Mixing ratio by volume: binder to zinc powder 74:26

- Many of PPG's zinc silicates are supplied as two-pack materials consisting of a container with pigmented binder and a drum containing a bag of zinc powder.
- To ensure proper mixing of both components, the instructions given below must be followed
- To avoid lumps in the paint do not add the binder to the zinc powder
- [1] Take the bag with zinc powder out of the drum
- [2] Shake the binder in the jerrycan a few times to reach a certain degree of homogenization
- [3] Pour about 2/3 of the binder into the empty drum
- [4] With the jerrycan now reduced in weight and containing more free space, shake it vigorously to obtain a homogeneous mix with no deposits left on the bottom, and add this to the drum
- [5] Add the zinc powder gradually to the pigmented binder in the drum and, at the same time, continuously stir the mixture by using a mechanical mixer (keep the speed low)
- [6] Stir the zinc dust powder thoroughly through the binder (high speed) and keep stirring until a homogeneous mixture is
  obtained
- [7] Strain mixture through a 30 60 mesh screen
- [8] Agitate continuously during application (low speed). The use of a dedicated pump with a constant agitation for a zinc silicate coating is recommended

Note: At application temperature above 30°C (86°F) addition of max 10% by volume of THINNER 90-53 may be necessary

#### **Induction time**

None

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#### Pot life

12 hours at 20°C (68°F)

Note: See ADDITIONAL DATA - Pot life

# Air spray

#### **Recommended thinner**

**THINNER 90-53** 

#### Volume of thinner

0 - 10%, depending on required thickness and application conditions

# **Nozzle orifice**

2.0 mm (approx. 0.079 in)

# Nozzle pressure

0.3 MPa (approx. 3 Bar; 44 p.s.i.)

Note: A dedicated pump for a zinc silicate coating with constant agitation must be used

# **Airless spray**

# **Recommended thinner**

THINNER 90-53

# Volume of thinner

0 - 10%, depending on required thickness and application conditions

## **Nozzle orifice**

Approx. 0.48 - 0.64 mm (0.019 - 0.025 in)

# Nozzle pressure

9.0 - 12.0 MPa (approx. 90 - 120 bar; 1306 - 1741 p.s.i.)

Note: A dedicated pump for a zinc silicate coating with constant agitation must be used

# **Brush/roller**

· Only for touch-up and spot repair

# **Recommended thinner**

**THINNER 90-53** 

# Volume of thinner

5 - 15%

Note: Apply a visible wet coat with a max. dft of 25 µm (1.0 mils)|same for subsequent coats in order to obtain the required dft

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#### **Cleaning solvent**

THINNER 90-53

# **Upgrading**

- When for some reason the DFT is below specification and an extra coat of SIGMAGUARD 750 has to be applied.
   SIGMAGUARD 750 should be thinned down with 25 to 50% THINNER 90-53 in order to obtain a visible wet coat that remains wet for some time
- This is only valid for spray application

#### **ADDITIONAL DATA**

Spreading rate and film thickness		
DFT	Theoretical spreading rate	
75 μm (3.0 mils)	8.7 m²/l (348 ft²/US gal)	
100 μm (4.0 mils)	6.5 m²/l (261 ft²/US gal)	

#### Notes:

- Maximum DFT when brushing: 35 µm (1.4 mils)
- Above 150 μm (6.0 mils) mudcracking can occur

Overcoating interval for DFT up to 75 μm (3.0 mils)							
Overcoating with	Interval	-5°C (23°F)	0°C (32°F)	10°C (50°F)	20°C (68°F)	30°C (86°F)	40°C (104°F)
itself	Minimum	24 hours	24 hours	18 hours	12 hours	6 hours	4 hours
	Maximum	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited

#### Notes:

- Relative humidity below 50% requires a much longer minimum overcoating interval
- If part of a coating system and in order to avoid possible popping effects (pinholes) SIGMAGUARD 750 should be sealed with approved coatings
- SIGMAGUARD 750 is a moisture curing zinc silicate, this means that it cures after sufficient exposure to moisture from the atmosphere during and after application; it is recommended that relative humidity and temperature are measured during the curing time
- Before entering service or overcoating, a sufficient degree of cure should be obtained
- When curing conditions are unfavorable or when reduced overcoat times are desired, curing can be accelerated 4 hours after application by:
- [Option 1] Wetting or soaking with water, keeping the surface wet for the next 2 hours, followed by drying
- [Option 2] Wetting or soaking with a 0.5% ammonia solution, followed by drying
- Before overcoating with topcoats, SIGMAGUARD 750 should always be visibly dry and checked on sufficient curing
- For measuring of the curing, the MEK rub test according to ASTM 4752 is a suitable method: after 50 double rubs with a cloth soaked in MEK (or alternatively THINNER 90-53) no dissolving of the coating should be observed

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Curing time for DFT up to 75 µm (3.0 mils)				
Substrate temperature	Service- water immersion	Full cure		
0°C (32°F)	24 hours	4 days		
10°C (50°F)	18 hours	4 days		
20°C (68°F)	12 hours	48 hours		
30°C (86°F)	6 hours	48 hours		
40°C (104°F)	4 hours	48 hours		

#### Notes:

- SIGMAGUARD 750 is a moisture curing zinc silicate, this means that it cures after sufficient exposure to moisture from the atmosphere during and after application
- It is recommended that relative humidity and temperature are measured during the curing time
- Relative humidity during curing recommended to be above 50%
- Adequate ventilation must be maintained during application and curing (please refer to INFORMATION SHEETS 1433 and 1434)

Pot life (at application viscosity)		
Mixed product temperature	Pot life	
0°C (32°F)	24 hours	
10°C (50°F)	16 hours	
20°C (68°F)	12 hours	
30°C (86°F)	6 hours	

# **SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

- For paint and recommended thinners see INFORMATION SHEETS 1430, 1431 and relevant Material Safety Data Sheets
- This is a solvent-borne paint and care should be taken to avoid inhalation of spray mist or vapor, as well as contact between the wet paint and exposed skin or eyes

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#### **REFERENCES**

<ul> <li>CONVERSION TABLES</li> <li>EXPLANATION TO PRODUCT DATA SHEETS</li> <li>SAFETY INDICATIONS</li> </ul>	INFORMATION SHEET INFORMATION SHEET INFORMATION SHEET	1410 1411 1430
SAFETY IN CONFINED SPACES AND HEALTH SAFETY, EXPLOSION HAZARD – TOXIC HAZARD	INFORMATION SHEET	1431
SAFE WORKING IN CONFINED SPACES     DIRECTIVES FOR VENTILATION PRACTICE	INFORMATION SHEET	1433 1434
<ul> <li>CLEANING OF STEEL AND REMOVAL OF RUST</li> <li>SPECIFICATION FOR MINERAL ABRASIVES</li> <li>RELATIVE HUMIDITY - SUBSTRATE TEMPERATURE - AIR TEMPERATURE</li> </ul>	INFORMATION SHEET INFORMATION SHEET INFORMATION SHEET	1490 1491 1650
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