Steel-Spec Epoxy Intermediate is a high build catalyzed polyamide epoxy designed for fast dry and quick or extended recoat ability.

- Long pot life
- High build coating for economical application
- One year recoatability
- Low temperature application - down to 35°F
- OTC Compliant

Product Description

Steel-Spec Epoxy Intermediate is a high build catalyzed polyamide epoxy designed for fast dry and quick or extended recoat ability.

Product Characteristics

- Finish: Flat
- Color: Red and White
- Volume Solids: 65% ± 2%, mixed
- Weight Solids: 81% ± 2%, mixed
- VOC (EPA Method 24): Unreduced: <320 g/L; 2.67 lb/gal
  Reduced 5%: <336 g/L; 2.80 lb/gal
- Mix Ratio: 1:1 by volume

Recommended Spreading Rate per coat:

| Wet mils: | 5.0 | 12.0 |
| Dry mils: | 3.0 | 8.0 |
| ~Coverage sq ft/gal: | 130 | 347 |

NOTE: Brush or roll application may require multiple coats to achieve maximum film thickness and uniformity of appearance.

Drying Schedule @ 6.0 mils wet @ 50% RH:

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If maximum recoat time is exceeded, abrade surface before recoating. Drying time is temperature, humidity, and film thickness dependent.

Pot Life: 8+ hours

Sweat-in-Time: none required

Shelf Life: 36 months, unopened

Store indoors at 40°F to 100°F.

Flash Point: 80°F, PMCC, mixed

Reducer/Clean up:

- Below 80°F: Reducer #54, R7K54
- Above 80°F: Reducer #100, R7K100, Reducer #58*, or R7K104
- In California: Reducer R7K111

*May extend dry to recoat time

Recommended Uses

For use as a shop or field applied epoxy coating where a variable recoat window is required due to construction schedules, distribution logistics and environmental considerations. Affords flexibility in projects when completion schedules cannot be specified.

- As intermediate coat for NEPCOAT System A
- Primer for structural steel
- Marine applications
- Paper mills
- Storage tanks
- Power plants
- Bridges
- Suitable for use in USDA inspected facilities

Performance Characteristics

Substrate*: Steel

Surface Preparation*: SSPC-SP6/NACE 3

System Tested*:
- 1 ct. Steel-Spec Epoxy Intermediate @ 5.0 mils dft

Test Name | Test Method | Results
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Abrasion Resistance | ASTM D4060, CS17 wheel, 1000 cycles, 1 kg load | 200 mg loss
Adhesion | ASTM D4541 | 1050 psi
Corrosion | ASTM D5894, 15 cycles, 5040 hours | Rating 10 per ASTM D714 for blistering; Rating 10 per ASTM D610 for rusting
Direct Impact Resistance | ASTM D2794 | 160 in. lbs.
Dry Heat Resistance | ASTM D2485 | 250°F (discolors)
Flexibility | ASTM D522, 180° bend, 1" mandrel | Passes
Moisture Condensation Resistance | ASTM D4585, 100°F, 2000 hours | Passes, no cracking or delamination
Pencil Hardness | ASTM D3363 | 3H
Salt Fog Resistance | ASTM B117, 5000 hours | Passes, no cracking or delamination; Rating 10 per ASTM D714 for blistering; Rating 10 per ASTM D610 for rusting

Epoxy coatings may darken or yellow following application and curing.

Provides performance comparable to products formulated to federal specifications: MIL-P-23377, MIL-P-53022

Footnotes:

1 Zinc Clad DOT / Steel Spec Epoxy Intermediate / HS Poly
Surface must be clean, dry, and in sound condition. Remove all oil, dust, grease, dirt, loose rust, and other foreign material to ensure adequate adhesion.

Refer to product Application Bulletin for detailed surface preparation information.

Minimum recommended surface preparation:
- Iron & Steel: SSPC-SP6/NACE 3, 2 mil profile
- Galvanizing: SSPC-SP1

Surface Preparation Standards

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Tinting

If the specification allows 2 oz/gal of colorant may be added for stripe coating to provide a contrasting color.

Application Conditions

Temperature:
- air and surface: 35°F minimum, 140°F maximum
- material: 50°F minimum
  At least 5°F above dew point

Relative humidity: 85% maximum

Refer to product Application Bulletin for detailed application information.

Ordering Information

Packaging:
- Part A: 1 gallon and 5 gallon containers
- Part B: 1 gallon and 5 gallon containers

Rex Numbers:
- Part A: B67W8 - White
- B67R8 - Red
- B67V8 - Hardener

Weight per gallon: 13.13 ± 5% lb, mixed

Safety Precautions

Refer to the MSDS sheet before use.

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Surface Preparations

Surface must be clean, dry, and in sound condition. Remove all oil, dust, grease, dirt, loose rust, and other foreign material to ensure adequate adhesion.

Iron & Steel (atmospheric service)
Remove all oil and grease from surface by Solvent Cleaning per SSPC-SP1. Minimum surface preparation is Commercial Blast Cleaning per SSPC-SP6/NACE 3. For better performance, use Near White Metal Blast Cleaning per SSPC-SP10/NACE 2. Blast clean all surfaces using a sharp, angular abrasive for optimum surface profile (2 mils). Prime any bare steel the same day as it is cleaned.

Galvanized Steel
Allow to weather a minimum of six months prior to coating. Solvent Clean per SSPC-SP1. When weathering is not possible, or the surface has been treated with chromates or silicates, first Solvent Clean per SSPC-SP1 and apply a test patch. Allow paint to dry at least one week before testing adhesion. If adhesion is poor, brush blasting per SSPC-SP7 is necessary to remove these treatments. Rusty galvanizing requires a minimum of Hand Tool Cleaning per SSPC-SP2, prime the area the same day as cleaned.

Previously Painted Surfaces
If in sound condition, clean the surface of all foreign material. Smooth, hard or glossy coatings and surfaces should be dulled by abrading the surface. Apply a test area, allowing paint to dry one week before testing adhesion. If adhesion is poor, or if this product attacks the previous finish, removal of the previous coating may be necessary. If paint is peeling or badly weathered, clean surface to sound substrate and treat as a new surface as above.

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Relative humidity: 85% maximum

Application Equipment

The following is a guide. Changes in pressures and tip sizes may be needed for proper spray characteristics. Always purge spray equipment before use with listed reducer. Any reduction must be compliant with existing VOC regulations and compatible with the existing environmental and application conditions.

Reducer/Clean Up
Below 80°F ..................Reducer #54, R7K54
Above 80°F ..................Reducer #100, R7K100, Reducer #58* or R7K104
In California ..................Reducer R7K111

Airless Spray
Pressure ..................2400 psi
Hose ..........................1/4" ID
Tip ..........................0.17"
Filter ..................60 mesh
Reduction ..................As needed up to 5% by volume

Brush
Brush ..................Natural Bristle
Reduction ..................Not recommended

Roller
Cover ..................3/8" - 1/2" woven with solvent resistant core
Reduction ..................Not recommended

*May extend dry to recoat time

If specific application equipment is not listed above, equivalent equipment may be substituted.
**Application Bulletin**

**Application Procedures**

Surface preparation must be completed as indicated.

Mix contents of each component thoroughly with power agitation. Then combine one part by volume of Part A with one part by volume of Part B. Thoroughly agitate the mixture with power agitation. Allow the material to sweat-in as indicated. Re-stir before using.

If reducer solvent is used, add only after both components have been thoroughly mixed, after sweat-in.

Apply paint at the recommended film thickness and spreading rate as indicated below:

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**Performance Tips**

Stripe coat all crevices, welds, and sharp angles to prevent early failure in these areas.

When using spray application, use a 50% overlap with each pass of the gun to avoid holidays, bare areas, and pinholes. If necessary, cross spray at a right angle.

Spreading rates are calculated on volume solids and do not include an application loss factor due to surface profile, roughness or porosity of the surface, skill and technique of the applicator, method of application, various surface irregularities, material lost during mixing, spillage, overthinning, climatic conditions, and excessive film build.

Excessive reduction of material can affect film build, appearance, and adhesion.

Do not apply the material beyond recommended pot life.

Do not mix previously catalyzed material with new.

In order to avoid blockage of spray equipment, clean equipment before use or before periods of extended downtime with Reducer #54, R7K54.

Material must be at least 50°F prior to catalyzing.

Quik-Kick Epoxy Accelerator is acceptable for use. See data page 4.99 for details.

Refer to Product Information sheet for additional performance characteristics and properties.

**Clean Up Instructions**

Clean spills and spatters immediately with Reducer #54, R7K54.

Clean tools immediately after use with Reducer #54, R7K54. Follow manufacturer's safety recommendations when using any solvent.

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