

Product Data Sheet

Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1 anti-corrosive



Anti-corrosive primer and satin finish for metal and plastics based on urethane alkyd.

- Anti-corrosive
- Primer and top coat in one
- Universal applicable
- Universal recoatable
- No need for a separate primer
- Excellent adhesion
- Very fast drying
- Easy to apply

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Intended use

Exterior

As universal primer and finishing coat (1-pot) on untreated metal and plastic surfaces including steel, iron, galvanised steel and PVC (except PP and PE). Also highly suitable for repainting existing and/or damaged coatings.

Colors

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All colours available via the Ralston ALK colour mixing system.

Performance and features

Binder	Urethane alkyd resin
Pigment	Zinc phosphate filler and high quality pigments
Density at 20°C (kg/dm ³), approx.	1.16
Viscosity at 20°C (K.U.) , approx.	85
Solids content (volume %) , approx.	43
Drying time (20°C / 65% R.H.)	Dust-free after approx. 0.25 hr, recoatable after approx. 3.5 hr. Drying times are average values and provided as an indication only actual drying time will depend on weather conditions, film thickness and choice of colour. Darker colours, applied in lower temperatures will take longer to dry than whites and lighter colours.
Gloss level	Satin gloss, approx. 30 G.U. at 60°

NOTE: The properties and specifications can vary depending on the colour. The values stated are typical.

Processing

Application tool	brush roller air spray air-assisted airless
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Spray data air-assisted airless - pressure	15 - 18 MPa (150 - 180 bar), air support approx. 0,12 MPa (approx. 1,2 bar)
Spray data air-assisted airless - nozzle	0,016 - 0,021 inch 0,41 - 0,53 mm
Spray data air-assisted airless - dilution	0 - 5% naphtha
Spray data air spray - pressure	0,3 - 0,4 MPa (3 - 4 bar)
Spray data air spray - orifice	1 - 1,5 mm
Dilution	Ready to use. If necessary, dilute sparingly with white spirit or naphtha.
Tools/equipment cleaning	White spirit or naphtha.
Application temperature / R.H.	Min. 0 ambient and substrate temp., relative humidity max. 85. Substrate temperature min. 3°C above dew point.
Theoretical coverage (m ² /l)	11.4
Practical coverage	Depending on the application method and the substrate, 60 - 85% of the theoretical coverage.
Film thickness	35 microns dry film thickness = approx. 90 microns wet film thickness
Mixing	Stir thoroughly before use. Check the dew point regularly when applying at low temperatures. With wood and metal substrates, this can have a major influence on the ability to apply the coating, as well as on the drying and gloss of the applied coating.

Maintenance

Maintenance interval (years)	Approx. 5 - 6 Depending on location/ situation, surface to be treated, construction system, applied paint system and colour, mechanical impacting, etc.. The annual cleaning and touching up of damage prolongs the condition of the substrate and the paintwork.
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Environment and Health

Flash point (°C)	35–40
Safety instructions	The user is subject to the national legislation regarding safety, health and environment. For more information and current data, see the latest version of the Safety Data Sheet.
EU limit value VOC	EU limit value for this product A/i: 500 g/l 2010. This product contains a maximum of 500 g/l VOCs.
BREEAM	We herewith conform that our product can be used in compliance with BREEAM International New Construction. As per HEA 9, required evidence – completion phase: C 1.1 through to 1.8 in evidence of compliance, the following must be submitted: 1. VOS Volatile Organic Substance content as determined by product recipe. 2. Products grouped by category in accordance with European Decopaint Directive 2004/42/EC – Enclosure 2: Emission norm for paints, lacquers and clear finishes, phase 2. 3. EU limit value for this product A/i: 500 g/l 2010. This product contains a maximum of 500 g/l VOCs. We apply the above harmonization procedure as recommended by the Dutch Green Building Council.
French emission label	A+

Item details

Packaging (l)	1, 2.5
Storage	Cool and above freezing point do not allow product quality to deteriorate during storage.

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Use within

24 Months in unopened packaging.

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System composition - advices

New, exterior, untreated, non-ferrous metal (galvanised steel, aluminium, copper)

- remove all traces of oxidation thoroughly, clean / degrease and sand
- prime with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- pre-finish with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- finish with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1

New, exterior, untreated, plastics (hard PVC)

- clean / degrease thoroughly, and sand
- prime with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- finish with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1

Existing, exterior, treated, exterior, ferrous metal (steel and iron)

- remove unsound paint coats
- remove all traces of rust, clean / degrease and sand
- prime bare patches 2x with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- pre-finish patches or entire surface with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- finish with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1

New, exterior, untreated, exterior, ferrous metal (steel and iron)

- remove all traces of rust, clean / degrease and sand
- apply 2 coats of primer Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- pre-finish with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- finish with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1

Existing, exterior, treated, non-ferrous metal (galvanised steel, aluminium, copper)

- remove unsound paint coats
- remove all traces of oxidation thoroughly, clean / degrease and sand
- prime bare patches with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- pre-finish patches or entire surface with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- finish with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1

Existing, exterior, treated, plastics (hard PVC)

- remove unsound paint coats
- clean / degrease thoroughly, and sand
- prime/ pre-finish partially or entirely with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1
- finish with Ralston UniCoat 3-in-1

General remarks on paint systems and preparation

These remarks on paint application and maintenance are only general. The appropriate paint system to be applied will depend on both the substrate and the requirements to be met by the paintwork.

Regularly clean and repair any damage to paintwork

Regularly (preferably annually), clean the paintwork and repair any physical or other damage to the substrate or paintwork. This will have a beneficial effect on the condition of the painted object and its paint coating.

Adhesion between paint layers

Always sand or de-gloss between paint coating layers. This is essential for good adhesion of each new layer to the previous layer (with the exception of wall paints).

Regularly check the dew point

When working in lower temperatures, check the dew point frequently. Never apply new paint/coating onto a substrate with condensation (dew). If you do so, the adhesion and film formation will be degraded. Moisture also causes poor drying, and can ruin the gloss.

Repairs and compatibility with paint

Repairs to substrates, paintwork, connection joints/seams and glazing systems must be carried out with the appropriate products in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. For wood repair, we prefer wood repair products based on epoxy or polyurethane and for sealing glazing joints to the Soudal Glaskit TS. The Soudal Acryrub CF2 can be used to seal joints and seams in interior wall paintwork. Prior to the commencement of the painting work, assess the mutual tolerance of the products to be applied.

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For treatment, metal substrates

Remove rust and zinc salts thoroughly, so that an oxidation-free surface is obtained. Immediately after de-rusting / sanding, degrease and apply a primer layer. Degrease new hot-dip galvanised steel and aluminium before applying a primer coat and then blast lightly with a fine non-metallic abrasive using appropriate pressure.

Painting of synthetic substrates

There is no suitable paint system for synthetic materials such as PE and PP.

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