Product Information

DG Direct Gloss Color

Product Description

Global Refinish System DG is a high-performance two-pack acrylic urethane topcoat designed for the direct gloss repair and refinishing of cars and commercial vehicles.

The performance of Global Refinish System DG in a recommended Global repair system meets or exceeds motor manufacturer warranty requirements and the Global Refinish System carries many OEM approvals.

Preparation of Substrate

Apply over original baked finishes or over recommended Global primers.

In all cases, wash all surfaces to be painted with soap and water and then apply the appropriate Global cleaner. See EU-134 Global Cleaners bulletin for selection and usage instructions. Ensure that the substrate is thoroughly cleaned and dried both before and after application work.

Apply DG Color after wet sanding with U.S. 400 – 500 / European P600 – 800 grade paper or dry sanding with U.S. 360 – 400 / European P400 – 600 grade paper.

Wash off residues and dry thoroughly before recleaning with appropriate Global substrate cleaner. The use of a tack rag is recommended.
APPLICATION GUIDE:

Mix Ratio: Using DX88x Hardeners

DG Color: 4 vols  
DX88x Hardener: 1 vol  
Thinner: 2 vols

Potlife: 1 - 3 hours @ 68°F / 20°C

Note: D885 or D886 can be added to DG Color if necessary (see additives section below).

Use the below chart to choose a Hardener and Thinner according to the application temperature:

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Mix Ratio: Using DX837x Hardeners

DG Color: 3 vols  
DX837x Hardener: 1 vol  
Thinner: 1 – 1 1/2 vols

Potlife: 1 - 3 hours @ 68°F / 20°C

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Additives:

- D814 Plasticiser*  
- D885 Enhancer  
  To enhance cure, add 1/2 – 1 oz. per (RTS) U.S. quart.
- D886 Extender  
  To extend flow, add 1/2 oz. per (RTS) U.S. quart.

*See EU47 for further information on D814 Plasticiser.

Note: The addition of additives will affect the VOC level.

Spraygun set-up:

- Fluid tip  
  1.4 – 1.6 mm or equivalent
- Spray Viscosity  
  18 – 22 ZAHN #2 @ 68°F / 20°C

Spray pressure

- HVLP  
  10 PSI (at air cap)
- Conventional  
  45 – 55 PSI (at spray gun)
APPLICATION GUIDE

Number of coats:

Apply 2 coats or to hiding
Film Build Per Wet Coat 3.0 – 3.7 mils
Dried Film Build Per Coat 1.1 – 1.3 mils

Flash off at 68°F / 20°C:

Between coats 10 minutes
Before Baking 0 – 10 minutes

Drying times:

Dust Free
68°F / 20°C 30 – 50 minutes
Tack Free
68°F / 20°C 2 – 3½ hours
Tape Time
68°F / 20°C 8 – 10 hours
140°F / 60°C 30 minutes
Air dry
68°F / 20°C 20 hours
140°F / 60°C 30 minutes
IR (Infrared)
Medium Wave 10 – 15 minutes depending on color.
Short Wave 8 minutes depending on color

Note: Bake times are for quoted metal temperatures. Additional time should be allowed in the bake schedule to allow metal to reach recommended temperature.

Overcoat / Recoat:

Last coat w/clear

Recat with DG After 8 hours minimum @ 68°F / 20°C or after surface has cooled if baked.

Sanding
Sandig is essential before recoating for good adhesion
Grade wet U.S. 500 \ European P800
Grade dry U.S. 500 \ European P800
Overcoat With any Global primers, topcoats or clearcoats.
Global clearcoats can be applied after a minimum 2 hours dry.

Performance Guidelines:

After spot repairing, clean the gun and then mist D8753 Blend-Ease Universal Blending Solvent (See EU-136 for instructions) around the repaired area to lose the edge or blend the repair into the surrounding panel. Spray starting from the outside of the repair, moving to the center.
The use of HVLP spray equipment can increase transfer efficiency by about 10% depending on the make and model of equipment used.
Recoating times will be extended at lower temperatures.
Global Refinish System DG may be sanded with 1200 grit paper or finer and polished when hard, to rectify minor imperfections.
**Technical Data:**

**Total dry film build:**
- Minimum: 2 mils
- Maximum: 3 mils

**Theoretical coverage:**
- 264 – 321 sq.ft. per U.S. gal.
  
  *Theoretical coverage in US gal. ready-to-spray (RTS), giving 2 mils dry film thickness.*

**Percent solids by volume RTS:**
- 32.9 – 40.0

**VOC**

- DG Color (Package) VOC Actual: 3.80 – 4.70 lbs/gal / 455 – 563 g/L
- DG Color (Package) VOC Regulatory (Less Water Less Exempts): 3.80 – 4.70 lbs/gal / 455 – 563 g/L
- DG : D88x : D87x (4:1:2) VOC Regulatory (Less Water Less Exempts): 4.41 – 4.92 lbs/gal / 528 – 590 g/L
- DG : D837x : D87x (3:1:1) VOC Regulatory (Less Water Less Exempts): 4.17 – 4.71 lbs/gal / 500 – 564 g/L
- DG : D837x : D87x (3:1:1½) VOC Regulatory (Less Water Less Exempts): 4.43 – 4.93 lbs/ga / 531 – 591 g/L

**Health and Safety:**

See Material Safety Data Sheet and Labels for additional safety information and handling instructions.

- The contents of this package may have to be blended with other components before the product can be used. Before opening the packages, be sure you understand the warning messages on the labels and MSDS’s of all the components, since the mixture will have the hazards of all its parts.
- Improper handling and use, for example, poor spray technique, inadequate engineering controls and/or lack of proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), may result in hazardous conditions or injury.
- Follow spray equipment manufacturer’s instructions to prevent personal injury or fire.
- Provide adequate ventilation for health and fire hazard control.
- Follow company policy, product MSDS and respirator manufacturer’s recommendations for selection and proper use of respiratory protection. Be sure employees are adequately trained on the safe use of respirators per company and regulatory requirements.
- Wear appropriate PPE such as eye and skin protection. In the event of injury, see first aid procedures on MSDS.
- Always observe all applicable precautions and follow good safety and hygiene practices.

**Emergency Medical or Spill Control Information**
- (412) 434-4515; In Canada (514) 645-1320

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