

Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua

Antifouling

General Purpose Antifouling



PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua provides a colorfast, durable finish that will give premium protection from algae, slime, barnacles, zebra mussels and other forms of fouling. The low VOC, low odor formula of Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua is fast drying and has the added benefits of easy clean up with soap and water. Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua is for use on either cruising or performance boats, and for those who want a little extra speed, the surface can be wet-sanded to provide a smooth racing finish with less drag.

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Color	YBA549-Red, YBA559-Green, YBA569-Blue, YBA579-Black
Finish	Matte
Specific Gravity	2.05
Volume Solids	37%
Typical Shelf Life	2 yrs
VOC (As Supplied)	51 g/lit (150 g/lit EPA Method 24)
Unit Size	1 US Gallon, 3 US Gallon (black only), 1 US Quart (Blue and Black only)

DRYING/OVERCOATING INFORMATION

	Drying							
	41°F (5°C)		59°F (15°C)		73°F (23°C)		95°F (35°C)	
Immersion	48 hrs		8 hrs		6 hrs		6 hrs	
Touch Dry [ISO]	3 hrs		1.5 hrs		1.5 hrs		30 mins	

	Overcoating							
	Substrate Temperature							
Overcoated By	41°F (5°C)		59°F (15°C)		73°F (23°C)		95°F (35°C)	
	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua	24 hrs	ext	5 hrs	ext	4 hrs	ext	2 hrs	ext

APPLICATION AND USE

Preparation

PREVIOUSLY PAINTED SURFACES

In Good Condition Remove old flaking paint. Wet sand with 80 grade (grit) paper. Rinse with fresh water and allow to dry. For additional information consult the Interlux Antifouling Compatibility Chart.

In Poor Condition Remove antifouling paint in poor condition with Interstrip 299E.

BARE FIBERGLASS (POLYESTER OR VINYLESTER) OR EPOXY Scrub the surface thoroughly with soap and water using a stiff brush. Apply Fiberglass Surface Prep YMA601V with a 3/8" nap roller on surface to be dewaxed, work in 10x10 foot areas. Ensure YMA601V is removed before drying. Scrub Fiberglass Surface Prep YMA601V using a 3M Doodlebug™ and a brown Scotch-Brite® pad. Once all areas have been thoroughly scrubbed, use wet rags or spray down with high pressure rinse to remove all traces of Fiberglass Surface Prep YMA601V. Change rags frequently. Wipe down with clean cloths. Repeat the cleaning process until water no longer beads. Surface must be clean and dry prior to application of Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua. See the Simple No Sand System Technical Bulletin for more information.

BARE FIBERGLASS

Simple No Sand System Prepare surface as described above. Apply the Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua within 4 hours of cleaning. If this time is exceeded, rinse with fresh water and allow to dry. If exceeding 2 months between de-waxing and painting, repeat cleaning prior to application of Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua.

Simple Inflatable Boat System Prepare the hull as above, for Bare Fiberglass. Apply 1st coat of Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua when the surface is dry.

BARE WOOD It is essential to remove all contaminants from the surface prior to sanding and overcoating. Sand with 80 grade (grit) paper. Clean with Special Thinner 216. Repair any defects with Watertite Epoxy Filler. Lightly sand and wipe clean. Surface must be free from all contamination. Fill seams, if necessary, with Seam Compound Brown 30. Apply first coat of Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua thinned with clean water (do not add more than 10% by volume).

UNDERWATER METALS All substrates must be primed, clean and dry. All preparation for bare substrates is covered on the appropriate primer labels. Contact Interlux® for further details.

Method

Do not apply thin coats. If during application the brush pulls or the roller drags, add small increments of water to improve handling (do not add more than 10% by volume). Apply 2 coats for full protection.

BARE WOOD: Apply 3 coats of Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua.

Hints

Thinner Water

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Some Important Points	Thinning Thin only if necessary. Thin no more than 10%. Read the safety data section before use. Antifouling should only be wet sanded. Never dry sand or burn-off old antifouling. Pad areas should not be painted immediately prior to launch. Do not use in wet or humid conditions. Should it rain during or immediately after application, the coating must be exposed to dry conditions for at least 24 hours before immersion. In cold conditions, <50°F, 48 hours is recommended.
Compatibility/Substrates	Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua can be applied to most popular antifouling paints as long as the old coating has been aged, is tightly adhered and is in sound condition. Do not apply Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua over soft or tin-based copolymer antifouling. Do not use on aluminum.
Number of Coats	2-3
Coverage	(Theoretical) - 455.9 ft ² /gal
Recommended DFT per coat	1.3 mils dry
Recommended WFT per coat	3.6 mils wet
Application Methods	Brush, Conventional Spray, Roller

TRANSPORTATION, STORAGE AND SAFETY INFORMATION

Storage	GENERAL INFORMATION: Exposure to air and extremes of temperature should be avoided. For the full shelf life of Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua to be realised ensure that between use the container is firmly closed and the temperature is between 5°C/41°F and 35°C/95°F. Keep out of direct sunlight. Protect from freezing at all times during storage. Mixed paint should not be stored under any circumstances. TRANSPORTATION: The product should be kept in securely closed containers during transport and storage.
Safety	GENERAL: Read the label safety section for Health and Safety Information, also available from our Technical Help Line. Do not discard tins or pour paint into water courses, use the facilities provided. It is best to allow paints to harden before disposal. DISPOSAL: Remainders of Fiberglass Bottomkote® Aqua cannot be disposed of through the municipal waste route or dumped without permit. Disposal of remainders must be arranged for in consultation with the authorities.
IMPORTANT NOTES	<i>The information given in this sheet is not intended to be exhaustive. Any person using the product without first making further written enquiries as to the suitability of the product for the intended purpose does so at their own risk and we can accept no responsibility for the performance of the product or for any loss or damage (other than death or personal injury resulting from negligence) arising out of such use. The information contained in this sheet is liable to modification from time to time in the light of experience and our policy of continuous product development.</i>

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