

SELECTION & SPECIFICATION DATA

Generic Type	Epoxy Amide	
Description	A 1:1, high solids polyamide epoxy designed to provide very good corrosion resistance as a single coat, direct-to-metal (DTM) exterior coating for railcars and other structures. While all epoxies will chalk and yellow under UV exposure, this coating has good color and gloss retention better than most.	
Features	 Single coat direct to metal high solids epoxy Very Low HAPS Easy one coat high build coverage Excellent adhesion Very good resistance to corrosion and spillage /splash of mild chemical Good initial gloss and very good color & gloss retention Ready to use viscosity 	
Color	Black (C900), Grey (2830), White (A806) Other colors may be available upon request. Contact your Carboline representative for more information.	
Gloss	80-90+ Per customer requirements (ASTM D523 @ 60° angle)	
Dry Film Thickness	4 - 6 mils (102 - 152 microns) per coat	
	Do not exceed 12 mils (300 microns)	
Solids Content	By Volume 64% +/- 3%	
Theoretical Coverage Rate	1027 ft²/gal at 1.0 mils (25.2 m²/l at 25 microns) 257 ft²/gal at 4.0 mils (6.3 m²/l at 100 microns) 171 ft²/gal at 6.0 mils (4.2 m²/l at 150 microns) Allow for loss in mixing and application.	
VOC Values	As Supplied : Per EPA Method 24: 2.5 lbs / gal (295 g/l)	

SUBSTRATES & SURFACE PREPARATION

 Steel
 Severe service applications – blasted to SSPC-SP-10 to a 1.5-2.5 mil angular profile

 Lesser service applications – blasted to SSPC-SP-6

 Surface to be free of all looser rust, dirt, grease and other contaminants

 Aluminum
 Remove all surface contaminants and treat with Strathmore's Wash Primer or equivalent.



PERFORMANCE DATA

All test data was generated under laboratory conditions. Field testing results may vary.

Test Method	Results
Adhesion (ASTM D3359)	5A (no peeling or removal)
Conical Mandrel (ASTM D522)	Passes 1/8"
Hardness (ASTM D3363)	4H - 5H
Impact Resistance (ASTM D2794)	Up to 120 lbs.in (Direct) and 60 lbs.in (Rev)

QUV Resistance (ASTM G154): Gray chalk, 19 gloss units, 460 hrs- QUV UVA-340 Bulb **Chemical Resistance:** No effect on film of various chemicals on 4 hrs and 8 hrs spot tests.

MIXING & THINNING

Mixing	Agitate thoroughly each component before combining Mix (combine) 1:1 by volume Part A and Part B Agitate thoroughly again after combining Allow 20 minutes @ 75°F (23°C) of induction time to attain maximum gloss.
Thinning	0-5% by volume maximum, consult Carboline for recommendations. If necessary reduce up to 5% after combining components.
Ratio	1:1 Part A to Part B
Pot Life	6 hours @ 70°F (21°C)

APPLICATION EQUIPMENT GUIDELINES

Listed below are general equipment guidelines for the application of this product. Job site conditions may require modifications to these guidelines to achieve the desired results.

Airless Spray	 45:1 Airless spray equipment Tip Size: 0.017 to 0.021 Pump Pressure: 2500-3500 psi (17-24 MPa)
	To minimize or eliminate thinner use in-line heated equipment with insulated hoses to reach application vis. Do not exceed 165°F (74°C).

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

General | Designed to be applied direct to metal in a single or two coat application.

APPLICATION CONDITIONS

Condition	Surface
Minimum	50°F (10°C)

Must be a minimum of $5^{\circ}F(3^{\circ}C)$ above the dew point during the surface preparation and coating application.

CURING SCHEDULE

Γ	Surface Temp.	Dry to Touch	Dry to Handle	Minimum Recoat Time	Maximum Recoat Time
	72°F (22°C)	3 Hours	6 Hours	12 Hours	7 Days





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Force CureIf car is force dried, 1 hr minimum air dry @ 75°F (23°C) before oven.Then force dry @ 145°F (60°C) for 1 hour, adjusting for ambient maximum conditions.

CLEANUP & SAFETY

Cleanup	MEK may be used for clean up. Batch mixed material will set up in the lines and equipment if left overnight. With plural component equipment, be sure to flush from the mixing head through the delivery hose and guns.
Safety	Handle with care. Before and during use, observe all safety labels on packaging and paint containers and follow all caution statements on this product data sheet. Consult the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for this product and follow all local or national safety regulations. Employ normal workmanlike safety precautions.
Ventilation	When used in enclosed areas, thorough air circulation must be used during and after application until the coating is cured. The ventilation system should be capable of preventing the solvent vapor concentration from reaching the lower explosion limit for the solvents used. User should test and monitor exposure levels to ensure all personnel are below guidelines. If not sure or if not able to monitor levels, use MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator.

PACKAGING, HANDLING & STORAGE

Packaging	55 gal drums or 5 gal pails
Shelf Life	Generally one year from date of manufacturing when kept at recommended storage conditions at 70°F (21°C) and in original unopened containers.
	Do not use material beyond shelf life.
Storage Temperature & Humidity	Do not store at temperatures above 110°F (43°C).
Storage	Containers must be closed tightly. Do not store outside. Rotate stock.
Flash Point (Setaflash)	Part A: 31°F (-0.6°C) Part B: 55°F (13°C)

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