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DESCRIPTION

This system describes how the superstructure of an aluminium yacht may be coated with a two component polyurethane system.

PRINCIPAL CHARACTERISTICS

This coating system may be applied directly to properly pre-treated steel and gives a excellent protection against corrosion. This system is scratch resistant, resistant to a wide range of chemicals and provides excellent colour and gloss retention.

SURFACE CONDITION

Steel, in good condition.

SURFACE PREPARATION

New building

- 1. Remove all corrosion products, preferably by low pressure blasting with aluminium oxide or by sanding:
- 2. The surface should be dry and free from grease, loose particles and other contamination;
- 3. Apply as soon as possible the first coat of IJmopox ZF primer.
- 1. Maintenance
- 2. Clean the surface thoroughly to remove all contamination such as salt deposits, dirt, grease and other foreign matter, preferably by high pressure water cleaning and with a suitable cleaner;
- 3. Remove all corrosion products and paint layers with insufficient adhesion (including one component paints in good condition), preferably by low pressure blasting with aluminium oxide or by sanding;
- 4. Previous layers of two component paints which have good adhesion and which are in good condition should be abraded; preferably by low pressure blasting with aluminium oxide or by sanding;
- 5. Clean and dry the surface thoroughly;
- 6. Apply as soon as possible the first coat of IJmpox ZF primer.

MATERIALS AND SPREADING RATES

The following materials are used in this paint system:

Variopox Plamuur spreading rate depends on condition surface Variopox Finishing Plamuur spreading rate depends on condition surface

IJmopox ZF primer spreading rate approx. 0,18 I/m² IJmopox HB coating spreading rate approx. 0,15 I/m²

IJmopox Verdunner spreading rate depends on application method

Double Coat spreading rate approx. 0,20 kg/m²

Double Coat Kwastverdunner spreading rate depends on application method bouble Coat Ontvetter spreading rate depends on application method

APPLICATION

New building

- 1. Apply immediately after surface preparation one to two coats of IJmopox ZF primer to a total dry film thickness of 100 µm (minimum spreading rate approx. 0,18 l/m²);
- 2. When necessary, repair small damages and dents with Variopox Plamuur or Variopox Finishing plamuur;
- 3. Apply one to two coats of IJmopox HB coating to a total dry film thickness of 100 μ m (minimum spreading rate approx. 0,15 I/m^2);
- 4. Apply two to three coats of Double Coat to a total dry film thickness of 80 μ m (minimum spreading rate approx. 0,2 kg/m²)





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Maintenance, previously coated aluminium

- 1. Apply as spot-repair to damaged and bare areas one to two coats of IJmopox ZF primer to a total dry film thickness of 100 μ m (minimum spreading rate approx. 0,18 I/m^2);
- 2. When required, repair small damages and dents with Variopox Plamuur or Variopox Finishing plamuur;
- 3. Apply one to two coats of IJmopox HB coating to a total dry film thickness of 100 μ m (minimum spreading rate approx. 0,15 I/m^2);
- Apply two to three coats of Double Coat to a total dry film thickness of 80 μm (minimum spreading rate approx. 0,2 kg/m²);

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Properties of aluminium
 To achieve good adhesion it is necessary to clean the surface thoroughly. Apply immediately after cleaning the first coat of IJmopox ZF primer.
- Previous paint: one or two component?
 When it is not known if the previous coating system was based on one- or two component products, this can determined with a simple test. Soak a small piece of cloth in Double Coat Ontvetter and leave this for 15 minutes on the surface. Remove the cloth and check the surface. When the previous paint has not dissolved, is not softened and cannot be easily be removed it is most probably a two component paint. Only then it is possible to apply a fresh coat of two component paint.
- Repair of damages and dents
 Damaged areas and dents may be repaired using epoxy fillers such as Variopox Plamuur or
 Variopox LG Plamuur. Use Variopox Finishing plamuur as last layer of filler when a smooth, fine
 finish is required. Grit paper surface after application and curing of the filler and clean and
 degrease area with Double Coat Ontvetter. Touch-up repaired areas with the following layer of the
 coating system to eliminate absorption of the filler.
- Durability and surface preparation
 The durability of any paint system depends on a number of variables, amongst others: total dry film thickness, method of application, skill of labour, the conditions during which the coating is applied and cured, the exposure conditions during service and the preparation of the surface. Insufficient surface preparation might lead to blistering and loss of adhesion.
- Sanding
 A durable adhesion will be obtained by thorough preparation of the surface. This may be achieved by sanding the surface. Sanding is also necessary when the time lapse between application of each coat exceeds the maximum overcoating interval.
 - During application of the finishing coats, we recommend to use for each coat a finer grit paper. The table gives the recommended grit sizes:





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• Example application schedule

Step		Dry film thickness (µm)	Spreading rate (m²/l)	Recoating interval at 20 °C	Preparation before next step
1	Pre-treatment				
2	Apply first coat of IJmopox ZF primer	50	11,0	16 hours	When recoated within 72 hours no preparation is required, otherwise
3	Apply second coat of IJmopox ZF primer	50	11,0	16 hours	sanding with P180.
4	Repair with Variopox Plamuur	n.a.	n.a.	48 hours	Sanding P180.
5	Apply first coat of IJmopox HB coating white, grey or black	50	9,3	8 hours	When recoated within 72 hours no
6	Apply second coat of IJmopox HB coating white, grey or black	50	9,3	8 hours	preparation is required, otherwise sanding with P180.
7	Apply first coat of Double Coat	40	10,8	24 hours	When recoated within 48 hours no preparation is required, otherwise
8	Apply second coat of Double Coat	40	10,8	24 hours	sanding with P240 - P320. Use between each layer finer grit paper to avoid scratches in finish.3





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· Relation dry/wet film thickness

Volume % IJmopox thinner	0	3	6	9	12
Wet film thickness IJmopox ZF primer at	91	94	96	99	102
50 µm dry film thickness					
Wet film thickness IJmopox HB coating	71	74	76	78	80
at 50 µm dry film thickness					
Volume % Double Coat kwastverdunner	0	2	4	6	8
Wet film thickness Double Coat at 40 µm	77	78	80	82	84
dry film thickness					

For detailed information on the products mentioned in this sheet, please refer to our technical information sheets.

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