

Paint, Finishing, Two Pack Polyurethane, Air Drying, Spraying To Specification BSX34A (formerly DTD 5580A)

Description

This Specification covers the requirements for finishing schemes for aircraft, avionics and other environments, where rigorous performance requirements must be satisfied. Excellent gloss and colour retention, together with outstanding resistance to chemical attack and a high level of corrosion protection for the light alloys used in aircraft construction, are among the outstanding properties of the BSX34A schemes.

Finishing schemes conforming to BSX34A are hard and mar-proof, whilst being sufficiently flexible to withstand service conditions. Resistance to weathering, even when the matt finish is used, is of the highest order, and resistance to fuels, lubricants, pyrolysed lubricants, hydraulic fluids, salt water, alkaline cleaning agents and detergents is excellent, and even surpasses schemes complying with Specification DEF STAN 80-161.

Finish Gloss and Matt.

Complies With BSX34A.

Product Code See Table.

Volume Solids Please consult Trimite.

VOC's Please consult Trimite.

Colour Range Limited colour range to Def Stan requirements.

Systems

The finishing scheme shall consist of one or other of the following combinations of Materials, all of which are available from Trimite:

| BSX34A Scheme | System |
|---------------|-------------------------------|
| Scheme I | Primer and Finish B74 |
| Scheme II | Primer, Filler and Finish B74 |

- These schemes are intended to be used over suitable chemical pretreatments. Etch
 priming (with Trimite SAP2), acid chromate pickling, chromic acid anodising, and
 processes such as Alocrom 1200, are commonly used.
- The recommended Epoxy Primer (Trimite IP9064) is approved to BSX33 types A and B. The epoxy primer contains strontium chromate which is classified as a SVHC and requires authorisation and may only be used for coating aerospace related components.
- The Epoxy Filler (Trimite AF98) is approved to DEF STAN 80-216.



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Film Thickness, Coverage & Overcoating

| Coating Type | Dry Film Weight (g/m²) | Dry Film Thickness (µm) | Coverage (m²/l) | Minimum Air Drying Time before Overcoating |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Etch Primer | 20 – 25 g/m ² | 10 – 12 μm | 6 – 7 | 2 h |
| Epoxy Primer | 25 – 35 g/m² | 13 – 18 μm | 11 – 15 | 4 h |
| Epoxy Filler | 60 – 77 g/m² | 31 – 40 µm | 7 – 10 | 4 h (16 h if wet flatting) |
| Polyurethane B74 Finish | 32 – 48 g/m² | 22 – 33 μm | 10 – 15 | 6 h |

The coverage figures shown take account of normal spraying losses.

Force Drying

When it is required to accelerate the drying process, temperatures up to 70°C may be used, but final finishing coats must be allowed to dry at room temperature for at least one hour prior to force drying.

Surface Preparation

- All surfaces should be dry and cleaned as necessary to remove all oil, grease, corrosion or other contamination.
- Surfaces must be cleaned in accordance with DEF STAN 03-2.
- When an etch primer is specified, Trimite SAP2 (Base Component SAP2 and Acid Component SAR2) is recommended.

Mixing

All BSX34A materials are supplied in two parts, a Base and a Curing Agent. It is essential that mixing instructions, given in this sheet and also found on the labels, are followed. The correct Thinner must be used.

All materials should be at shop temperature (15°C - 25°C) before mixing. Prior to use, ensure that individual components are of uniform consistency by mechanical shaking or thorough stirring. Mix as detailed in the Table below (see 'Mix Ratio & Thinning'), ensuring that the resultant blend is thoroughly stirred.

All unused blended materials should be discarded after the Pot Life shown below. The pot life will significantly decrease at temperatures above 25°C.

Pot Life at 20°C

SAP2 Etch Primer: 10 – 12 h. Epoxy Primer & Epoxy Filler: 8 h

B74 Finish: 4 h.



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Mix Ratio & Thinning

| Coating Type | Base | Curing Agent | Mix Ratio by Volume | Thinner for spray | Viscosity BS B4 Cup (sec) | Viscosity BS B3 Cup (sec) | Pot Life at 20°C (h) |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Etch Primer (Yellow) | 98/SAP2 | SAR2 | 1:1 | SAT2 | 20 - 25 | 35 - 45 | 10 – 12 h |
| Epoxy Primer BSX33 Types A & B (Yellow) | IP9064- 6362 | IP9064- CAT | 4:1 | T100 | 20 - 25 | 35 - 45 | 8 h |
| Epoxy Filler DEF STAN 80-216 (White) | 90/AF98 | J9802 | 2:1 | T100 | 40 - 45 | 90 - 100 | 8 h |
| B74 Finishes to BSX34A: | | | | | | | |
| Gloss | [ref]/B74/9 | J7401 | 2:1 | BT93 | 18 - 20 | 30 - 35 | 4 h |
| Matt | [ref]/B74/1 | J7701 | 2:1 | BT93 | 18 - 20 | 30 - 35 | 4 h |

• If applying by roller, please consult Trimite.

Application Conditions

BSX34A (Trimite B74) paints should only be applied in paint shops where the temperature is between 15°C and 25°C and the relative humidity between 30% and 75%. Surfaces to be painted should be allowed to reach shop temperatures.

Application Details

- When mixed for use (with the appropriate thinners in the proportions recommended)
 the Primer and Finish are suitable for application by roller or spray equipment. The
 Filler will normally be applied by spray, unless otherwise stipulated by the terms of
 the contract or order.
- **Primer:** optimum properties are achieved if overcoating takes place within 72 h of primer application. Should this time be exceeded, it is advisable to wet flat the surface with 800 grade paper and apply a light 'refresher' coat of primer, which should then be allowed to dry thoroughly before application of filler or finish.
- **Filler:** apply one coat to the correctly primed surface and allow to air dry. If further coats of filler are required, 4 h must elapse between coats. After application of the last filler coat, and before wet flatting with 800 grade paper, 16 h air drying should be allowed. Remove all traces of flatting sludge and moisture before proceeding. Do not allow more than 72 h to elapse before application of finish coats.
- B74 Finish: apply one coat of finish to the correctly prepared surface and allow to air dry for a minimum of 6 h. Where further coats of finish are to be applied, wet flatting with 800 grade paper is recommended. Care should be exercised to avoid removal of previous coats. Where bare metal areas are exposed it will be necessary to repair these by treatment with a conversion coating or 2 pack etch primer followed by priming with Two Pack Epoxy Primer. The surface must be perfectly clean and free from flatting sludge, moisture or grease before applying further coats.
 B74 Finish contains isocyanates the mixed product and the curing agent contain isocyanates (the base does not). Refer to base and curing agent Safety Data Sheets before use.



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Repair The following procedure is recommended:

Thoroughly degrease the area involved and mask off.
 Abrade any rough area to give a smooth sound edge.

3. Wet-flat the whole area with 800 grade paper.

4. Wipe clean and ensure the surface is completely dry.

5. Treat any bare metal with etch primer and follow with the complete system.

Thinner/Cleaner Thinner BT93 (for cleaning).

SG $1.30 \pm 0.15 \text{ kg/l}.$

Flash Point See Table below.

Shelf Life Min. 1 year from date of delivery when correctly stored in unopened containers.

Storage The products should be stored in cool, dry, frost-free conditions, in sealed containers.

Most paint materials will apply optimally when at 15° - 20°C.

Health & Safety Refer to the product's Safety Data Sheet and safety advice on the product label before

use

Details of flammability, for both individual items and the appropriate blends ready for

application, are shown in the Table below.

| Coating Type | Component | Reference | Component Flashpoint | Mixed Product Flashpoint |
|------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Etch Primer | Base Component | 98/SAP2 | Below 23°C | Below 23°C |
| (Trimite SAP2) | Acid Component | SAR2 | Below 23°C | |
| | Thinner | SAT2 | Below 23°C | |
| Epoxy Primer | Base Component | IP9064-6362 | Below 23°C | Below 23°C |
| (BSX Types A & B) | Curing Agent | IP9064-CAT | 23°C – 60°C | |
| | Thinner | T100 | 23°C – 60°C | |
| Epoxy Filler | Base Component | 90/AF98 | 23°C – 60°C | 23°C – 60°C |
| (Trimite AF98) | Curing Agent | J9802 | 23°C – 60°C | |
| | Thinner | T100 | 23°C – 60°C | |
| Polyurethane Gloss Finish | Base Component | [ref]/B74/9 | Below 23°C | Below 23°C |
| (Trimite B74) | Curing Agent | J7401 | 23°C – 60°C | |
| | Thinner | BT93 | Below 23°C | |
| Polyurethane Matt Finish | Base Component | [ref]/B74/1 | Below 23°C | Below 23°C |
| (Trimite B74) | Curing Agent | J7701 | 23°C – 60°C | |
| | Thinner | BT93 | Below 23°C | |

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