

## TD09.05 PLQ05 Polyester High Build Base Primer - Cream

Product Introduction

PLQ05 Polyester high build base primer is a cream-coloured sprayable base primer for plugs and patterns. Its high build properties are ideal for priming rough or uneven surfaces, providing a solid base for PLQ02 high gloss lacquer.

Characteristics

Due to the filler content and low viscosity, a sediment may occur on standing. PLQ05 Polyester high build base primer should be mixed thoroughly prior to use.

PLQ05 Polyester high build base primer is supplied in a ready-to-spray viscosity. However, if solvent is lost through the re-mixing process, small amounts of Ethyl Acetate, Acetone or Methylethylketone peroxide (MEKP) at  $\geq$ 5% may be added.

PLQ05 Polyester high build base primer is designed as a primer system for most substrates. However, some absorbent substrates may need the application of Llewellyn Ryland Polyester PLQ01 Safeseal sealant prior to application of the primer.

Preparation

Whilst not always necessary, best adhesion to the surface by the primer is achieved by abrading the substrate with 80-120 grit paper. Alternatively PLQ01 Safeseal can be used to seal the surface, in which case no abrasion of the substrate is necessary.

Before application of the primer, ALWAYS remove dust and grease by wiping the substrate with solvent. This practice is not necessary when using PLQ01 Safeseal if the primer is being sprayed whilst the sealer is still tacky.

Application

Due to the filler content and low viscosity of the primer a sediment may occur; for best results, re-disperse the primer with a mechanical mixer. It is important even if only a small quantity is to be decanted from the tin that the whole tin is fully re-dispersed. This procedure must be performed each time the primer is used. Failure to comply with the re-dispersing procedure may lead to application and sanding problems which ultimately jeopardise the overall quality of the finished article.

On re-dispersion of the primer, it should be of a viscosity that is ready to spray through conventional gravity feed or pressure pot paint gun systems. If however, through the re-dispersion process the primer has thickened slightly, it is possible to add additional solvent to achieve a sprayable viscosity. As a guide  $\geq 5\%$  of either Acetone, Ethyl Acetate or MEKP can be used to lower viscosity, but where more than 5% solvent is required seek advice from Llewellyn Ryland's Technical Department.

PLQ05 Polyester high build base primer is designed to cure at an ambient temperature above 16°C with 2% of a medium reactive MEKP (Butanox M50 type).

At an ambient temperature of 20°C PLQ05 Polyester high build base primer will give a spray pot life of approximately 20 minutes. Pot life will vary depending on the temperature; shortening as temperature increases and lengthening as temperature drops; therefore, only catalyze sufficient primer that can be applied in the pot life application window.

It is recommended that a 1.8-2.5mm gun nozzle is used when using conventional gravity feed or pressure pot spray systems at between 40-70 psi. If air pressure is too high it can lead to rippling of the surface and air entrapment within the film. Whilst these are recommendations, each application shop will be different and therefore methodology may change from shop to shop.

Best application results are achieved by applying a 'Tack' or 'Dust' coat to the entire surface of the substrate and then continuing with wet passes of up to 250 micron each pass until the desired thickness is reached at up to 2000 microns. If too high a film thickness is achieved on each pass, air entrapment may lead to porosity when rubbing down on completion; and if a total film thickness of over 2000 microns is achieved; slippage or sagging may occur.

Film gelation should occur within 45 minutes at an ambient temperature of 20°C. Film gel time will be significantly affected by ambient temperature; decreasing with an increase in temperature and increasing with a drop in temperature.

Films should be ready for sanding within 4 – 5 hours depending on ambient temperature.

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Once cured, the primer lends itself to many surface finishes ranging from a matt, semi-matt, gloss to high gloss (with the application of a PLQ02 Polyester Lacquer).

PLQ05 Polyester high build base primer can be simply abraded back with various grit papers to achieve different levels of gloss:

- Achieve required contour with low grit paper 220 400:
- For a matt finish: finish the plug with 400 800 grit papers;
- For semi matt finish use 800 1200 papers;
- For a gloss finish use 1200 paper and fine cutting paste;
- For ultimate high gloss finish: abrade with 400, 800 and 1200 papers and then apply PLQ02 Llewellyn Ryland high gloss Polyester Lacquer.

## Technical Data

Finishing

Colour:

Cream

Specific Gravity:

1.45/cc +/- 0.05g

Viscosity:

380 - 500 Cps

Thixotropic Index:

3 - 3.5

Pot gel time:

100gms @ 25°C with 2% M50 14 - 19 minutes

Film gel time:

2% M50 @ 20°C <60 minutes

Coverage:

5 Ltr / 13m2 / 250µ