

# Hempel's Favourite Varnish

## Product characteristics

### Description

Hempel's Favourite Varnish is a clear urethane alkyd varnish. It is a high-gloss, easy-to-use varnish which is both flexible and durable. Good resistance to seawater, sunlight and adverse weather conditions.

### Recommended use

For use on new wood as well as on previously varnished wood, interior and exterior, above the waterline.

### Features

- Ideal for areas where structural flexibility of the wood is needed.

## Product safety

**Flash point** 38°C [100°F]

### VOC content

Legislation	Value
EU	398 g/L [3.32 lb/US gal]

According to specific legislation, see details in the Explanatory Notes available at Hempel website, [hempel.com](http://hempel.com) or at your local Hempel website.

### Handling

Handle with care. Before and during use, observe safety labels on packaging and paint containers and follow all local and national safety regulations. Always consult Hempel's Safety Data Sheet for this product along with the Product Data Sheet.

## Product data

### Product code

01250

### Standard shade / code

Transparent 00000

### Gloss

Glossy

### Volume solids

49 ± 2%

### Specific gravity

0.9 kg/L [8 lb/US gal]

### Reference dry film thickness

30 micron [1.2 mils]

## Surface preparation

### Cleanliness

- Remove oil, grease and other contaminants by suitable detergent cleaning.

### New build:

- Uncoated surface: Sand and remove all dust.
- New wood: Saturate the dry, clean surface with a suitable wood treatment, allow to dry.
- Plywood: Seal the dry, clean surface with suitable wood sealer.
- Teak: Degrease the surface thoroughly with a suitable degreaser.
- The surface must be dry and clean prior to application.
- Moisture content of the wood must be below 16%.

### Maintenance and Repair

- Previously coated surface: Abrade, clean and dry the surface.
- Previously damaged varnished wood: Wood treatment may be necessary.

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## Application

### Thinner

Hempel's Thinner 811 08111

### Cleaner

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### Application method

Tool	Thinning max vol.
Brush	20%
Paint Pad	20%

Keep thinning at an absolute minimum. The product can be applied by spray. Contact Hempel for more information.

### Film thickness

	Recommended
Dry film thickness	30 micron [1.2 mils]
Wet film thickness	60 micron [2.5 mils]
Theoretical spreading rate	16 m <sup>2</sup> /L [650 sq ft/US gal]

For best performance, avoid excessive film thickness.

### Application conditions

- To avoid condensation, apply on a clean and dry surface with a temperature that is at least 3°C [5°F] above the dew point.
- The film formation may be adversely affected by light rain, high humidity and/or condensation during application and the following interval after application: "3-4 hours, 20°C/68°F".

### Relative Humidity:

- Relative humidity must be below 85% during drying and curing.

### Application remarks

- Stir well before use.
- Apply first coat of the product thinned with specified Hempel's Thinner: max. 20%.
- Apply a second coat of the product thinned: max. 10%.
- Finally apply 3 coats of the undiluted product.
- Add thinner to assist application if necessary: max 5%.
- To obtain a smooth surface, sanding between coats is recommended (remove dust).
- Previously coated surface: Apply 3 coats of the undiluted product.

## Drying and overcoating

### Product compatibility

- Previous coat: Recommended products are: Hempel's Wood Impreg (for new wood), Hempel's Sealer (for plywood)
- Subsequent coat: None.

### Drying time

Surface temperature		10°C [50°F]	20°C [68°F]
Touch dry	hours	8	4
Hard dry	hours	10	5
Ready to sand	hours	-	24

Determined for dry film thickness 30 micron [1.2 mils] at standard conditions, see Hempel's Explanatory Notes for details. Any masking tape used during paint application should be removed while the paint is still in the wet condition.

### Overcoating

Hempel's specification supersedes any guidelines indicated in the overcoating table

Quality name		10°C [50°F]	20°C [68°F]
		Atmospheric medium	
Hempel's Favourite Varnish	Min	12 h	6 h
	Max	4 d	48 h

### Drying conditions

- To obtain the drying time stated, it is important to maintain sufficient ventilation during application, drying and curing.
- Condensation on the freshly applied coating should be avoided.

### Overcoating details

- If the maximum overcoating interval is exceeded, roughening of the surface is necessary to ensure intercoat adhesion.

### Other remarks

- The surface must be clean before overcoating.

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## Storage

### Shelf life

Ambient temperature	25°C [77°F]
Product	60 months

Shelf life from date of production, when stored in original, unopened containers. Thereafter, the product quality must be re-inspected. Always check the best before date or expiry date on the label.

### Storage conditions

- Product must be stored according to local legislation, at 5°C [41°F] without direct sunlight and protected from rain and snow.

## Additional documents

Additional information is available at the Hempel website [hempel.com](http://hempel.com) or at your local Hempel website:

- Explanatory Notes explaining the fields in this Product Data Sheet.
- Surface Preparation Guidelines.
- Application Guidelines for different application methods.
- Further information: Hempel Yacht Paint Manual and [hempelyacht.com](http://hempelyacht.com)

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2.	Specification	Only issued for specific projects
3.	PDS	This document
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