Protective & Marine Coatings

ACROLON™ 218 HS
ACRYLIC POLYURETHANE

PART A	B65-600	GLOSS SERIES
PART A	B65-650	SEMI-GLOSS SERIES
PART B	B65V600	HARDENER

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PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

ACROLON 218 HS is a low VOC, polyester modified, aliphatic, acrylic polyurethane formulated specifically for in-shop applications. Also suitable for industrial applications. A fast drying, urethane that provides color and gloss retention for exterior exposure.

- Can be used directly over organic zinc rich primers (epoxy zinc primer and moisture cure urethane zinc primer)
- Color and gloss retention for exterior exposure
- Fast dry
- Outstanding application properties

PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS

Finish:	Gloss or Semi-Gloss
Color:	Wide range of colors available
Volume Solids:	65% ± 2%, mixed, may vary by color
Weight Solids:	78% ± 2%, mixed, may vary by color
VOC (EPA Method 24):	Unreduced: <300 g/L; 2.5 lb/gal
mixed	Reduced 10% with R7K15: <340 g/L; 2.8 lb/gal
mixed	Reduced 9% with MEK, R6K10: <340 g/L; 2.8 lb/gal
Mix Ratio:	6:1 by volume, 1 gallon or 5 gallon mixes premeasured components

Recommended Spreading Rate per coat:

	Minimum	Maximum
Wet mils (microns)	**4.5** (112.5)	**9.0** (225)
Dry mils (microns)	**3.0** (75)	**6.0** (150)
~Coverage sq ft/gal (m^2/L)	**175** (4.3)	**346** (8.5)
Theoretical coverage **sq ft/gal** (m^2/L) @ 1 mil / 25 microns dft	**1040** (25.5)	

NOTE: Brush or roll application may require multiple coats to achieve maximum film thickness and uniformity of appearance.

Drying Schedule @ 6.0 mils wet (150 microns):

	@ 35°F/1.7°C	@ 77°F/25°C *50% RH*	@ 120°F/49°C
To touch:	4 hours	30 minutes	20 minutes
To handle:	18 hours	6 hours	4 hours
To recoat:			
minimum:	18 hours	8 hours	6 hours
maximum:	3 months	3 months	3 months
To cure:	14 days	7 days	5 days
Pot Life: (reduced 5% with Reducer R7K15)	4 hours	2 hours	45 minutes
Sweat-in-Time:		None	

If maximum recoat time is exceeded, abrade surface before recoating. Drying time is temperature, humidity, and film thickness dependent.
Paint temperature must be at least 40°F (4.5°C) minimum.

Shelf Life*:	Part A - 36 months, unopened Part B - 24 months, unopened Store indoors at 40°F (4.5°C) to 100°F (38°C).
*Aluminum (Part A, Rex # B65SW655) has a shelf life of 12 months.	
Flash Point:	55°F (13°C), Seta, mixed
Reducer/Clean Up:	
Spray:	Reducer R7K15, MEK R6K10, or R7K111
Brush / Roll:	Reducer #132, R7K132 or R7K111

RECOMMENDED USES

Specifically formulated for in-shop applications.
For use over prepared metal and masonry surfaces in industrial environments such as:

- Structural steel
- Rail cars and locomotives
- Conveyors
- Bridges
- Tank exteriors
- Pipelines
- Ships
- Wind Towers - onshore and offshore
- Offshore platforms - exploration and production
- Suitable for use in USDA inspected facilities
- Conforms to AWWA D102 Outside Coating Systems #4 (OCS-4), #5 (OCS-5) & #6 (OCS-6)
- Acceptable for use in high performance architectural applications
- A component of INFINITANK

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Substrate*: Steel

Surface Preparation*: SSPC-SP10/NACE 2

System Tested*:
1 ct. Macropoxy 646 @ 6.0 mils (150 microns) dft
1 ct. Acrolon 218 HS Gloss @ 4.0 mils (100 microns) dft
*unless otherwise noted below

Test Name	Test Method	Results
Abrasion Resistance[1]	ASTM D4060, CS17 wheel, 1000 cycles, 1 kg load	43 mg loss
Adhesion	ASTM D4541	975 psi
Corrosion Weathering[2]	ASTM D5894, 9 cycles, 3024 hours	Rating 10 per ASTM D610, for rusting; Rating 10 per ASTM D714, for blistering
Direct Impact Resistance[1]	ASTM D2794	50 in. lb.
Dry Heat Resistance[1]	ASTM D2485, Method A	200°F (93°C)
Flexibility[1]	ASTM D522, 180° bend, 1/8" mandrel	Passes
Humidity Resistance[2]	ASTM D4585, 100°F (38°C), 1500 hours	Rating 10 per ASTM D610, for rusting; Rating 10 per ASTM D714, for blistering
Pencil Hardness	ASTM D3363	3H
Salt Fog Resistance[2]	ASTM B117, 7000 hours	Rating 10 per ASTM D610, for rusting; Rating 9 per ASTM D714, for blistering

Meets the requirements of SSPC Paint No. 36, Level 3 for white and light colors. Dark colors may require a clear coat.

Complies with ISO 12944-5 C5I and C5M requirements.

Footnotes:
[1] *Finish coat only tested*
[2] *Primer — Zinc-Clad II Plus*
Intermediate — Macropoxy 646
Finish — Acrolon 218 HS

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RECOMMENDED SYSTEMS

		Dry Film Thickness / ct. Mils	(Microns)
Steel:			
1 ct.	Macropoxy 646	5.0-10.0	(125-250)
1-2 cts.	Acrolon 218 HS Polyurethane	3.0-6.0	(75-150)
Steel:			
1 ct.	Zinc Clad II Plus	3.0-5.0	(75-125)
1 ct.	Macropoxy 646	5.0-10.0	(125-250)
1-2 cts.	Acrolon 218 HS Polyurethane	3.0-6.0	(75-150)
Steel:			
1 ct.	Zinc Clad IV	3.0-5.0	(75-125)
1-2 cts.	Acrolon 218 HS Polyurethane	3.0-6.0	(75-150)
Steel:			
1 ct.	Corothane I-GalvaPac Zinc Primer	3.0-4.0	(75-100)
1-2 cts.	Acrolon 218 HS Polyurethane	3.0-6.0	(75-150)
Steel:			
1 ct.	Epoxy Mastic Aluminum II	6.0	(150)
1-2 cts.	Acrolon 218 HS Polyurethane	3.0-6.0	(75-150)
Steel:			
1 ct.	Recoatable Epoxy Primer	4.0-6.0	(100-150)
1-2 cts.	Acrolon 218 HS Polyurethane	3.0-6.0	(75-150)
Concrete/Masonry:			
1 ct.	Kem Cati-Coat HS Epoxy Filler/Sealer	10.0-20.0	(250-500)
1-2 cts.	Acrolon 218 HS Polyurethane	3.0-6.0	(75-150)
Aluminum/Galvanizing:			
1 ct.	DTM Wash Primer	0.7-1.3	(18-32)
1-2 cts.	Acrolon 218 HS Polyurethane	3.0-6.0	(75-150)
ISO 12944 C5M System:			
1 ct.	Zinc Clad III HS	3.0-5.0	(75-125)
1 ct.	Tower Guard Epoxy	5.0-11.5	(125-287.5)
1 ct.	Acrolon 218 HS	3.0-6.0	(75-150)

The systems listed above are representative of the product's use, other systems may be appropriate.

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SURFACE PREPARATION

Surface must be clean, dry, and in sound condition. Remove all oil, dust, grease, dirt, loose rust, and other foreign material to ensure adequate adhesion.

Refer to product Application Bulletin for detailed surface preparation information.

Minimum recommended surface preparation:

* Iron & Steel: SSPC-SP6/NACE 3, 1-2 mil (25-50 micron) profile
* Galvanizing: SSPC-SP1
* Concrete & Masonry: SSPC-SP13/NACE 6, or ICRI No. 310.2, CSP 1-3

* Primer required

Surface Preparation Standards

	Condition of Surface	ISO 8501-1 BS7079:A1	Swedish Std. SIS055900	SSPC	NACE
White Metal		Sa 3	Sa 3	SP 5	1
Near White Metal		Sa 2.5	Sa 2.5	SP 10	2
Commercial Blast		Sa 2	Sa 2	SP 6	3
Brush-Off Blast		Sa 1	Sa 1	SP 7	4
Hand Tool Cleaning	Rusted	C St 2	C St 2	SP 2	-
	Pitted & Rusted	D St 2	D St 2	SP 2	-
Power Tool Cleaning	Rusted	C St 3	C St 3	SP 3	-
	Pitted & Rusted	D St 3	D St 3	SP 3	-

TINTING

Tint Part A with Maxitoner Colorants.

- Extra white tints at 100% tint strength
- Ultradeep base tints at 150% tint strength

Five minutes minimum mixing on a mechanical shaker is required for complete mixing of color.

APPLICATION CONDITIONS

Temperature:	35°F (1.7°C) minimum, 120°F (49°C) maximum (air and surface) 40°F (4.5°C) minimum, 120°F (49°C) maximum (material) At least 5°F (2.8°C) above dew point
Relative humidity:	85% maximum

Refer to product Application Bulletin for detailed application information.

ORDERING INFORMATION

Packaging:	1 gallon (3.78L) mix:	5 gallon (18.9L) mix:
Part A:	.86 gal (3.25L)	4.29 gal (16.2L)
Part B:	.14 gal (0.53L)	0.71 gal (2.7L)

(premeasured components)

Weight: 11.2 ± 0.2 lb/gal ; 1.3 Kg/L mixed, may vary with color

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Refer to the MSDS sheet before use.

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Surface must be clean, dry, and in sound condition. Remove all oil, dust, grease, dirt, loose rust, and other foreign material to ensure adequate adhesion.

Iron & Steel
Remove all oil and grease from surface by Solvent Cleaning per SSPC-SP1. Minimum surface preparation is Commercial Blast Cleaning per SSPC-SP6/NACE 3. For better performance, use Near White Metal Blast Cleaning per SSPC-SP10/NACE 2. Blast clean all surfaces using a sharp, angular abrasive for optimum surface profile (1-2 mils / 25-50 microns). Prime any bare steel the same day as it is cleaned or before flash rusting occurs.

Aluminum
Remove all oil, grease, dirt, oxide and other foreign material by Solvent Cleaning per SSPC-SP1. Primer required.

Galvanized Steel
Allow to weather a minimum of six months prior to coating. Solvent Clean per SSPC-SP1. When weathering is not possible, or the surface has been treated with chromates or silicates, first Solvent Clean per SSPC-SP1 and apply a test patch. Allow paint to dry at least one week before testing adhesion. If adhesion is poor, brush blasting per SSPC-SP7 is necessary to remove these treatments. Rusty galvanizing requires a minimum of Hand Tool Cleaning per SSPC-SP2, prime the area the same day as cleaned or before flash rusting occurs. Primer required.

Concrete and Masonry
For surface preparation, refer to SSPC-SP13/NACE 6, or ICRI No. 310.2, CSP 1-3. Surfaces should be thoroughly clean and dry. Concrete and mortar must be cured at least 28 days @ 75°F (24°C). Remove all loose mortar and foreign material. Surface must be free of laitance, concrete dust, dirt, form release agents, moisture curing membranes, loose cement and hardeners. Fill bug holes, air pockets and other voids with Steel-Seam FT910. Primer required.

Follow the standard methods listed below when applicable:
ASTM D4258 Standard Practice for Cleaning Concrete.
ASTM D4259 Standard Practice for Abrading Concrete.
ASTM D4260 Standard Practice for Etching Concrete.
ASTM F1869 Standard Test Method for Measuring Moisture Vapor Emission Rate of Concrete.
SSPC-SP 13/Nace 6 Surface Preparation of Concrete.
ICRI No. 310.2 Concrete Surface Preparation.

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Relative humidity:	85% maximum

APPLICATION EQUIPMENT

The following is a guide. Changes in pressures and tip sizes may be needed for proper spray characteristics. Always purge spray equipment before use with listed reducer. Any reduction must be compliant with existing VOC regulations and compatible with the existing environmental and application conditions.

Reducer/Clean Up:
Spray.....Reducer R7K15, MEK R6K10, or R7K111
Brush/Roll .....Reducer #132, R7K132, or R7K111
If reducer is used, reduce at time of catalyzation.

Airless Spray
Pressure.....2500 - 2800 psi
Hose.....3/8" ID
Tip .....013" - .017"
Filter.....60 mesh
Reduction.....As needed up to 10% by volume with R7K15 or R7K111, or up to 9% with MEK, R6K10*

Conventional Spray
Gun .....Binks 95
Cap 63P
Atomization Pressure.....50 - 70 psi
Fluid Pressure.....20 - 25 psi
Reduction.....As needed up to 10% by volume with R7K15 or R7K111, or up to 9% with MEK, R6K10*

Brush
Brush.....Natural Bristle
Reduction.....As needed up to 10% by volume*

Roller
Cover .....3/8" woven with solvent resistant core
Reduction.....As needed up to 10% by volume*

If specific application equipment is not listed above, equivalent equipment may be substituted.

* Note: Reducing more than maximum recommended level will result in VOC exceeding 340g/L

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APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Surface preparation must be completed as indicated.

Mix contents of each component thoroughly with low speed power agitation. Make certain no pigment remains on the bottom of the can. Then combine six parts by volume of Part A with one part by volume of Part B (premeasured components). Thoroughly agitate the mixture with power agitation. Re-stir before using.

If reducer is used, add only after both components have been thoroughly mixed.

Apply paint at the recommended film thickness and spreading rate as indicated below:

Recommended Spreading Rate per coat:

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Sweat-in-Time:		None	

If maximum recoat time is exceeded, abrade surface before recoating.
Drying time is temperature, humidity, and film thickness dependent.
Paint temperature must be at least 40°F (4.5°C) minimum.

Application of coating above maximum or below minimum recommended spreading rate may adversely affect coating performance.

CLEAN UP INSTRUCTIONS

Clean spills and spatters immediately with Reducer #132, R7K132. Clean tools immediately after use with Reducer #132, R7K132. Follow manufacturer's safety recommendations when using any solvent.

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PERFORMANCE TIPS

Stripe coat all crevices, welds, and sharp angles to prevent early failure in these areas.

When using spray application, use a 50% overlap with each pass of the gun to avoid holidays, bare areas, and pinholes. If necessary, cross spray at a right angle.

Spreading rates are calculated on volume solids and do not include an application loss factor due to surface profile, roughness or porosity of the surface, skill and technique of the applicator, method of application, various surface irregularities, material lost during mixing, spillage, overthinning, climatic conditions, and excessive film build.

Excessive reduction of material can affect film build, appearance, and adhesion.

Do not apply the material beyond recommended pot life.

Do not mix previously catalyzed material with new.

In order to avoid blockage of spray equipment, clean equipment before use or before periods of extended downtime with Reducer #15, R7K15 or MEK, R6K10.

Mixed coating is sensitive to water. Use water traps in all air lines. Moisture contact can reduce pot life and affect gloss and color.

Quick-Thane Urethane Accelerator is acceptable for use. See data page 5.97 for details.

E-Z Roll Urethane Defoamer is acceptable for use. See data page 5.99 for details.

Refer to Product Information sheet for additional performance characteristics and properties.

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