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Argentum (RM) RFU



Stir thoroughly before use



Spray gun set-up: 1.2-1.4 mm

Application pressure:
1.7-2.2 bar at the air inlet
HVLP max 0.6-0.7 bar at the air cap



3 x 1 coat



Between coats

Before clearcoat application

4-8 minutes at 20°C

20 minutes at 20°C



Clearcoat application See clearcoat T.D.S.



Use suitable respiratory protection Akzo Nobel Car Refinishes recommends the use of a fresh air supply respirator

Read complete TDS for detailed product information



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#### Suitable substrates

Colorbuild Plus – properly flashed off black wet on wet primers Autocryl Plus or Autocryl Plus LV black color which has been fully cured and cooled down to ambient temperature.

## Products and additives

Argentum RM

## Basic raw materials

Argentum RM: Physical drying binders

#### **Surface preparation**



Final sanding step P500

- Initial sanding steps may be executed with a coarser sanding grit; P360 P400
- o Respect a maximum 100 sanding grit step difference or less throughout the sanding procedure.
- o For detailed surface preparation see TDS S8.06.02



Final sanding step P1000

- o Initial sanding steps may be executed with a coarser sanding grit P600 P800
- o Respect a maximum 200 sanding grit step difference or less throughout the sanding procedure.
- o For detailed surface preparation see TDS S8.06.02



Surface cleaning; remove any surface contamination prior to the application of any Argentum colour using an appropriate surface cleaner.

### Mixing



Stir the Argentum thoroughly prior to use.



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Elast-O-Actif should not be added to Argentum.



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#### Viscosity



14-16 seconds DIN cup 4 at 20°C.

#### Spray gun set-up / application pressure



Spray gun Fluid tip – set-up Application pressure

Gravity feed 1.2-1.4 mm 1.7-2.2 bar at the spray gun air inlet HVLP max 0.6-0.7 bar at the air cap

#### Pot-life

6 Months when stored in a closed can at 20°C.

Stir the ready to spray mixture thoroughly before use.

### Application process



#### Black pre-coat application:

Apply Autocryl Plus, Autocryl Plus LV black (MM140 or MM160) according product TDS specifications. These products should be coated with Argentum after cool down.

- Apply Argentum directly after cool down within maximum 30 minutes.
- Do not sand or abrade the applied topcoat.

Argentum can also be applied directly on Colorbuild Plus Black wet on wet (TDS S2.02.02c) after indicated flash off

#### Argentum application:

Apply 3 full wet coat allowing for a 4-8 minutes flash-off time at 20°C between coats until the basecoat dries completely to a matt /semi gloss finish.

\*Allow for a minimum of 20 minutes final flash-off time at 20°C before clearcoat application.

**Tip:** If the standard Argentum <u>application</u> does not achieve the desired color result, maybe a finer, atomized thinner, transparent coats may need to be applied. To do this:

- o Adjust fluid on spray gun to minimize and restrict material
- o Slightly increase spray gun air pressure
- o Increase spray gun distance from object

Still applying fine wet coats allowing for a 4-8 minutes flash-off time at 20°C between coats until the basecoat dries completely to a matt /semi gloss finish.

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Note: Always check and spray out color, as the number of coats, spray gun fluid tip - set-up, air pressure and spray gun distance will determine the final color result.

## Film thickness

By using the recommended application;

Argentum colours 10-15 µm

#### Recoatable with

Autoclear Expert HS





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#### Recoat time



Argentum must be recoated within: 24 hours.

#### Material usage

By using the recommended application the theoretical material usage is ± 14 m<sup>2</sup>/l RTS mixture.

The practical material usage depends on many factors i.e. shape of the object, roughness of the surface, application techniques, pressure, method and application circumstances.

#### Cleaning of equipment

Sikkens Solvents or solvent borne Guncleaners

#### Product storage

Product shelf-life is determined when products are stored unopened at 20°C. Avoid extreme temperature fluctuation.

Product shelf life data see TDS S9.01.02

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