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Sanding



3 Autosurfacer Optima

1 Autosurfacer Optima Hardener Sanding

1 Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Sanding (Fast, Medium, Slow)

Note: First add Hardener and stir thoroughly, then add Reducer and stir again.



Use Sikkens measuring stick

9 Grey



Spray gun set-up:

1.6 -1.8 mm

Application pressure: 1.7 – 2.0 bar (25-29 psi) at the air inlet HVLP max 8-10 psi at the air cap



Light closed coat + 1-2* full coats *More coats will affect drying time



1 – 3 mins after 1st coat.

1 – 2 full layers without flash-off in between



Air drying (Ambient) at 20°C: 30 mins.*

60 °C curing: 10 mins. No flash-off before curing needed

*Drying times can be influenced by: (object) temperature, layerthickness, Reducer choice.



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5 mins.

No flash-off before curing needed. (1-2 full coats) High power (max 100 °C).



Block sanding: P400 (=exception to TDS S8.06.02)

Final sanding step: P500 (Preferably P600 in case of dark colors)

See TDS S8.06.02



Use suitable respiratory protection

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Non Sanding



- **Autosurfacer Optima**
- 1 Autosurfacer Optima Hardener Non Sanding
- Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Non Sanding (Medium, Slow)

Note: First add Hardener and stir thoroughly, then add Reducer and stir again.



Use Sikkens measuring stick

5 Green



Application pressure: Spray gun set-up:

> 1.7-2.0 bar (25 - 29 psi) at the spray gun air inlet

HVLP max 0.6 - 0.7 bar (8-10 psi)

at the air cap



1 flowing coat

1.2-1.4 mm



Flash-off time: Recoat within:

15 minutes at 20 °C 24 hours at 20 °C



Recoatable with all Sikkens topcoats



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Suitable substrates

Steel 1
Aluminium 1
OEM electro coat 2
Existing finishes
AutoPrep Pre-Treatment Wipes
Polyester bodyfillers
1K All Plastic Primer 3

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Plastics: when factory pre-primed or primed with above mentioned plastic adhesion promotors 3

Steel/ Aluminium:

Both Sanding and the Non Sanding* version of Autosurfacer Optima offers a very good corrosion resistance and therefor it can be applied directly to bare metal.

2.OFM / Flectrocoat:

Autosurfacer Optima can be applied directly to thoroughly cleaned and degreased E-coat and sanded E-coat

Autosurfacer Optima Non sanding can be applied directly over sanded through spots.

*For large repairs which require extensive metal priming or panels that are sanded back to bare metal, pre-treatment with Autoprep Pretreatment Wipes or 1K Washprimer CF is recommended.

 Always check if the type of plastic is suitable to be painted with a plastic primer/adhesion promotor Plastic parts should be properly pretreated, sanded and cleaned (For detailed surface preparation see TDS S8.06.03a).

Product and additives

Products Autosurfacer Optima White, Grey, Dark Grey

Hardeners Autosurfacer Optima Hardener Sanding

Autosurfacer Optima Hardener Non Sanding

Reducers Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Sanding Fast, -Medium, -Slow

Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Non Sanding Medium, -Slow

Remark: Reducers are actually Activators



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Basic raw materials

Autosurfacer Optima : Acrylic and polyester resins
Autosurfacer Optima Hardeners: Polyisocyanate resin
Autosurfacer Optima Reducers: Organic solvents

Surface preparation



Remove contamination using an appropriate cleaner



Final dry sanding step of substrate: P320

For detailed surface preparation see TDS S8.06.02



Remove contamination using an appropriate cleaner Where bodyfiller is exposed, avoid contact with water (e.g. waterborne degreaser).

Stir before use



Stir Autosurfacer Optima thoroughly before use

Note: Add Hardener and stir thoroughly, then add Reducer and stir again. Mixing on scale is advised and more accurate

Mixing by weight



SANDING	Primer	Hardener Sanding	Reducer Sanding
Total Volume	Weight	Weight	Weight
± 150 ml	200 g	36 g	31 g
± 300 ml	400 g	72 g	62 g
± 450 ml	600 g	108 g	93 g

NON SANDING	Primer	Hardener NS	Reducer NS
Total Volume	Weight	Weight	Weight



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± 150 ml	200 g	38 g	72 g
± 300 ml	400 g	76 g	144 g
± 450 ml	600 g	114 g	216 g

Mixing Autosurfacer Optima Grey Shades

Autosurfacer Optima White, Grey and Dark grey can be intermixed to the Grey Shades range, according to the Quick-Mix table below

Mix by weight	SGS1	SGS2	SGS3	SGS4	SGS5
White (SGS1)	100	80			
Grey (SGS3)		20	100	63	
Dark Grey (SGS5)				37	100

Mix by volume	SGS1	SGS2	SGS3	SGS4	SGS5
White (SGS1)	1	4			
Grey (SGS3)		1	1	5	
Dark Grey (SGS5)				3	1



Alternatively Autosurfacer Optima White and Dark grey can be intermixed to the Grey Shades range, according to the Quick-Mix table below

Mix by weight	SGS1	SGS2	SGS3	SGS4	SGS5
White (SGS1)	100	95	75	50	
Dark Grey (SGS5)		5	25	50	100

Stir thoroughly before adding Hardener. Stir thoroughly once more before adding Reducer.

Reducer choice



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SANDING	1 Panel (spot)	1 - 2 Panels	≥ 2 Panels
18 - 25 °C	FAST	FAST OR MEDIUM	MEDIUM
22 - 28 °C	FAST OR MEDIUM	FAST OR MEDIUM	MEDIUM OR SLOW
28 - 35 °C	MEDIUM OR SLOW	MEDIUM OR SLOW	SLOW

NON SANDING	1 Panel	1 - 2 Panels	≥ 2 Panels
18 - 25 °C	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	MEDIUM
22 - 28 °C	MEDIUM OR SLOW	MEDIUM OR SLOW	MEDIUM OR SLOW
28 - 35 °C	MEDIUM OR SLOW	MEDIUM OR SLOW	SLOW

Plastic Substrates

Autosurfacer Optima Sanding and Non Sanding on plastic substrates:

All plastic parts, when pre-primed from factory or pre-coated with a suitable plastic adhesion promotor*.

*Check suitable substrate properties of adhesion promotor used

Plastic parts should be properly pretreated, sanded and cleaned (For detailed surface preparation see TDS S8.06.03a).

For improved stone chipping resistance 15% Elast-O-Actif (by weight) can be added Add to the Autosurfacer Optima (stir) add hardener (stir) and add the Reducer and stir.

Spray gun set-up / application pressure



Spray gun	Fluid tip-set-up	Application pressure
Gravity feed	<u>Sanding</u> 1.6 - 1.8 mm*	1.7-2.0 bar/ (25 – 29 psi) at the spray gun air inlet
	*Larger opening will have effect on drying time.	HVLP max 0.6-0.7 bar / 8-10 psi at the air cap
	Non Sanding	
Gravity feed	1.2 -1.4 mm	1.7-2.0 bar/ (25 – 29 psi) at the spray gun air inlet HVLP max 0.6-0.7 bar / 8-10 psi at the air cap

Pot-life



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Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Sanding Fast Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Sanding Medium Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Sanding Slow Autosurfacer Optima Non Sanding Medium Autosurfacer Optima Non Sanding Slow 30 mins. at 20°C 30 mins. at 20°C 30 mins. at 30°C 35 - 45 mins. at 20°C 60 mins. at 30°C

Application



Sanding:

Spot application:

Apply one light closed coat flash-off until completely matt (1-3 mins) and apply the 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} coat within each preceding coat without flash-off.

Panel application:

Apply one light closed coat over the total sanded area. Flash-off until completely matt (1-3 mins) and apply 2 full* wet coats without flash-off between the layers.

*Any additional coat will have effect on the drying time

Note: when applied over OEM E-coat or a not sanded trough OEM substrate a first light coat is not required

Non Sanding

Apply 1 full flowing coat over the total area.

Drying time sanding



Time to sand is depending on a number of factors such as:

- Temperature
- Layerthickness
- Airflow
- Sandingpaper and grid
- Sanding process: Machine (type), manually

Table is an indication of sanding time (based on 3M Purple P400)

		TIME TO SAND		
TEMPERATURE	REDUCER	½ +1 layer	½ + 2 layers	
		(70 - 90 μm)	(110 - 130 µm)	
18 - 25 °C	FAST	20 - 30 mins.	30 - 45 mins.	
22 - 28 °C	MEDIUM	30 - 45 mins.	45 - 60 mins.	
28 - 35 °C	SLOW	45 - 60 mins	60 mins.	



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Curing 60 °C: 10 mins. No flash-off before curing is needed.



5 minutes infra red curing up to 1 light + 2 full coats **no flash-off is needed**The panel temperature should not exceed 100°C.
For additional information, see TDS S9.01.01

Flash-off time Non Sanding



Allow for a minimum flash-off time of 15 minutes at 20°C before topcoat application. Apply topcoat within 24 hours at 20°C.

Should this maximum time be exceeded, abrade the surface with P500 dry or P1000 wet sanding paper.

Denibbing Non Sanding

For minor defects (e.g. dust) Autosurfacer Optima can be denibbed with either P800 dry or P1000 wet sanding paper. After a drying time of longer than 24 hours thorough sanding is necessary!

Final sanding



Block sanding: P400 (= Exception to TDS S8.06.02) Final sanding step (machine) P500/ P600) For detailed surface preparation see TDS S8.06.02



Final sanding step P1000

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Recoatable with

Autowave Autowave 2.0 Autobase Plus Autocryl Plus Autocryl Plus LV



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Film thickness		
Sanding	per coat	45 - 50 μm
	Light coat + 2 coats	120 - 130 μm
Non Sanding	1 coat	25 - 30 μm
Theoretical coverage		

Sanding: Ready for use mixture at 1 μ m dry film thickness: 500 Non Sanding: Ready for use mixture at 1 μ m dry film thickness: 496

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



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Cleaning of equipment

Sikkens Solvent or Guncleaners

VOC

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The EU limit value for this product (product category: IIB. c) in ready to use form is max. 540 g/liter of VOC. The VOC content of this product in ready to use form is max. 540 g/liter.

Product storage

Product shelf-life is determined when products are stored unopened at 20°C / 70°F . Avoid extreme temperature fluctuation.

Autosurfacer Optima White, Grey, Dark Grey	12 months
Autosurfacer Optima Hardener Sanding	12 months
Autosurfacer Optima Hardener Non Sanding	12 months
Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Sanding Fast:	12 months
Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Sanding Medium:	12 months
Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Sanding Slow:	12 months
Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Non Sanding Medium:	12 months
Autosurfacer Optima Reducer Non Sanding Slow:	12 months

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