



ExpressPaint

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Automotive Touch up Paint

PROFESSIONAL SIZE INSTRUCTIONS

SURFACE PREPARATION:

1. Wash surface area to be painted with soap and water. Rinse thoroughly.
2. Clean surface with Prep-Wipes to remove Wax & Grease. Use a clean, lint-free towel and wipe in one direction only. Rinse with water and allow to dry.
3. Use 600 grit sandpaper, when using for larger spot repairs, sand until repair area is smooth and all gloss from existing finish has been removed. When using for small spot repair use 1000 grit to lightly sand the area smooth. Wipe off sanding dust.
4. Use Wax & Grease Remover another time as described in step 2.
 - a. If repair area is down to bare metal or plastic, then apply primer following the instructions on the primer container.
 - b. If repair area does not need primer, then proceed to "Painting Instructions".

PAINTING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **** VERY IMPORTANT ** DO A "TEST PANEL". Always test color with a test panel before painting.**
A test panel is a way for you to test the color before you proceed. You can test the coverage, the dry time, and the **color accuracy**. Paint gets darker with each coat, so this is where you determine how many coats to apply also. Compare the test panel to the color you are trying to achieve in the direct sunlight to determine if the color is a proper match. **Do not proceed to the next step until your test panel is complete and the color on the test panel is the color you desire.** We have provided a sprayout card with your order for this purpose, or a scrap piece of metal works well.
2. **3-STAGE COLORS (BASE, TOP OR MID COAT, CLEARCOAT) → (Tricoat colors)**
 - a. If your color is a 3-stage color (base, top or mid-coat, clearcoat), apply one even, wet coat of the base. Allow to dry for 5-10 minutes. Apply a second coat in the same manner. Allow to dry for 5-10 minutes. Inspect painted area to be certain paint is even and has thorough coverage.
 - b. Using your sprayout or test panel as a guide to the required amount of coats, apply light even coats of the top or mid coat waiting 5-10 minutes between coats. Once desired color is achieved, do not add any additional coats.
 - c. Allow paint to dry for 30-60 minutes before performing step 5.
3. **2-STAGE COLORS (COLORCOAT, CLEARCOAT) → (Most of colors are 2-stage)**
 - a. Apply one even, wet coat of the colorcoat. Allow to dry for 5-10 minutes. Apply a second coat following the same procedure.
 - b. Inspect area to see if paint is applied evenly and thoroughly. Apply additional coats as needed using your sprayout or test panel as a guide to achieve desired color.
 - c. Allow paint to dry for 30-60 minutes before performing step 5.
4. **2-STAGE COLORS (LOW-GLOSS OR MAT FINISHES) → (Common among vintage vehicles)**
 - a. Apply one even, wet coat of the colorcoat. Allow to dry for 5-10 minutes. Apply a second coat following the same procedure.
 - b. Inspect area to see if paint is applied evenly and thoroughly. Apply additional coats as needed using your sprayout or test panel as a guide to achieve desired color.
 - c. Allow to dry for 30-60 minutes before handling.
5. Apply one even, wet coat of CR-410 clearcoat to the painted area. Allow to dry for 5-10 minutes. Apply a second wet, even coat and let dry for 3-5 hours before handling.

- Do not sand between colorcoats or before clearcoat.
- Be sure to follow all instructions on all equipment you are using: spray-gun, respirator, air compressor, etc.
- All ExpressPaint colors are ready to be sprayed on plastic, metal, or fiberglass. No flex additive is needed.
- Wetsanding, polishing, waxing, and buffing can be performed 5 days after paintjob has been completed.
- If paint looks dull or hazy after final clearcoat, there is a slight amount of moisture causing the dullness. After clearcoat is thoroughly dry (5+ days), polishing or buffing compound will restore the gloss.
- **Use only ExpressPaint products together.** Do not intermix paint lines to ensure compatibility.
- Read instructions completely before painting; if you have any questions call us before painting!!