



Armourspray® VC

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+Fusion Bonded Epoxy	sion Bonded Epoxy Powder Coating	
Product Code:	982 Line	
Specification met:	AS4158:1996.	

Description

Armourspray® VC is a fusion bonded epoxy powder coating which exhibits tough and flexible films where protection from extreme environments is vital.

Armourspray® VC conforms to the requirements of AS4158:1996 'Thermal-bonded polymeric coatings on valves and fittings for water industry purposes'.

Features	Benefits	
Exceptionally tough film	Excellent corrosion resistance	
High chemical resistance	Versatile coating suitable for many applications	
High build application	Resistance to Cathodic Disbondment	
Exceptionally fast cure	Low energy requirement for application	
No solvents or emissions	Less waste and pollution to the environment	

Uses

Armourspray® VC is recommended for the external protection of thin wall steel pipe, valves and fittings. Its chemical resistance and tough film also make it suitable for other applications where extended metal protection is required.

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Weather	Various test results available from Orica Powder Coatings.	Salt Spray	No failure after 6 months immersion in 10% salt solution. Good resistance to all but
			strong acid salts.
Hot Water Immersion	Rating <1, 60°C, 100 days (AS1580, 408.2)	Water Absorption	< 5% absorbed water (23°C,100 days).
Impact Resistance	2J, 23°C (AS4158)	Abrasion	< 40mg loss in 1000 cycles (CS17 wheel, 1000g load).
Cathodic	< 15mm, 23°C, 28 days	Pencil Hardness	Min 2H
Disbondment	(AS3862, Appendix M)	Knoops Hardness	Min 25
Flexibility	No cracks at 1% strain (0°C).	Cross Hatch Adhesion	No removal
Thermal Stability	No holidays, 100°C, 100 days at 1% strain.	Contamination of Water	Complies with AS4020.
UV Radiation	No holidays, 100 days (ASTM D2565)		

Chemical Resistance

Sulphuric Acid (50% solution)	No failure (30 days)	No failure (6 months)
Nitric Acid (10% solution)	No failure (30 days)	No failure (6 months)
Concentrated Hydrochloric Acid	No failure (30 days)	Blistering (6 months)
Caustic Soda (20% solution)	No failure (30 days)	Slight discolouration (6 months)
Concentrated Ammonium Hydroxide	No failure (30 days)	Blistering (6 months)

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Colour	Ferrous Red, Blue Water and Iron Black.	Specific gravity	1.3 - 1.6 @ colour
Gloss Level	Semi Gloss	Shelf life	6 months when stored below 30°C/dry conditions. Cold storage recommended.
Application Data			
Application Method	Electrostatic spray or fluidise	ed bed.	
Clean Up	Dust or vacuum loose powde	r. Avoid use of compresse	d air.
Cure Schedule	Metal Temperature (°C)	Time (seconds)	
	235	35 (minimum)	
	220	60 (minimum)	
	205	90 (minimum)	
Cured Film Thickness	Recommended:	500 μm	
	Range:	300 – 700 μm	

Theoretical spreading rate at recommended film thickness

A coverage rate of 1.5m²/kg corresponds to 300µm cured film thickness assuming no loss. Practical spreading rates will vary due to such factors as method and conditions of application and surface profile and texture.

Application Guide

Surface Preparation

Armourspray® VC must be applied to steel which has been dry abrasive blast cleaned to AS1627.4 Class 2.5 with a peak/trough profile of 50 to 85 micrometres. Refer to Orica Powder Coatings for details of surface preparation and pretreatment for specific requirements.

Armourspray® VC should be applied on the same day as the surface is prepared and as soon after the cleaning as practical because blast-cleaned surfaces may start to rust quickly.

Application Procedure and Equipment

- 1. Armourspray® VC is applied by electrostatic spray, fluidised bed dipping or flock spraying (non-electrostatic) onto pre-heated valves or castings.
- 2. Substrates are grit blasted with angular grit and optionally chemically pre-treated, either by phosphating or with dried-in-place silicote chromate (eg Accomet PCTM).
- 3. Armourspray® VC is applied to substrates preheated to between 205°C and 235°C. Parts may be air cooled or water quenched after coating with Armourspray® VC. The minimum advised coating thicknesses of Armourspray® VC on valves and fittings are 300µm for external surfaces and 350µm for internal surfaces, which are in contact with water.
- 4. Test for cure of the coating by contact with a drop of Methyl Ethyl Ketone for 60 seconds. Surface should be wiped dry and immediately checked for softening. No surface softening should occur.The use of abrasive cleaners is not recommended, nor is the use of active organic solvents.

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Care and Maintenance

Armourspray® VC is a chemically resistant, hard wearing coating, most often used in areas where aesthetics are not important. Unlike common decorative coatings, no formal cleaning program is required.

It is however good practice to remove salts and other pollutant deposits where possible, and repair any exposed metal surfaces with appropriate repair kits (available from Orica Powder Coatings).

Health and Safety

The MSDS is an integral part of using this product as it contains information on the potential health effect of exposure, personal protective equipment needed and other relevant SH&E information.

For detailed information, refer to product label and the current Chemical Data Sheet (No. 4982) available through Sales and Customer Service Offices.

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Precautions and Limitations

- As a result of possible wide application variations and stoving conditions, Armourspray® VC may show variation between Orica Powder Coatings prepared samples and production applied material. Therefore, it is the applicator and/or their customer's responsibility to ensure the product conforms to their requirements.
- To meet AS4158, Armourspray® VC is to be applied and tested as per the conditions set out in the standards and/or applicators manual.
- For optimum corrosion performance ensure recommended dry film thickness is obtained.

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Sizes:	20 kg	Flashpoint:	N/A
Weight:	20 kg	UN:	N/A
Dangerous Goods Class:	N/A	Package Group:	N/A
Shelf Life	Six months when stored below 25°C/dry conditions.		
Shipment Name:	Not dangerous goods. No special transport requirements.		

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