



# General Finishes Topcoat Product Comparison Chart

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Water-Based Finishes				Oil-Based Finishes			
High Performance Topcoat	Flat Out Flat Topcoat	Wood Turner's Finish	Exterior 450 Topcoat	Arm-R-Seal Topcoat	Gel Topcoat	Wood Bowl Finish	Seal-a-Cell (Clear)
							
All-Purpose Interior Clear	"Dead Flat" Interior Clear That Mimics Wax	Water-Based, Ambering	Exterior Clear	Interior Wiping Varnish	Interior Wiping Varnish	Interior Wiping Varnish	Low-Build Penetrating Wood Sealer
<b>Suggested Use</b>	<b>Suggested Use</b>	<b>Suggested Use</b>	<b>Suggested Use</b>	<b>Suggested Use</b>	<b>Suggested Use</b>	<b>Suggested Use</b>	<b>Suggested Use</b>
Furniture, Millwork, Cabinets	Low-Use Furniture, Millwork	Decorative Wood Turnings	Exterior Furniture, Doors	Furniture, Millwork, Cabinets	Vertical Surfaces, Contoured Furniture, Millwork, Cabinets	Decorative Wood Turnings	Figured, Decorative Finishes
<b>Ambering</b>	<b>Ambering</b>	<b>Ambering</b>	<b>Ambering</b>	<b>Ambering</b>	<b>Ambering</b>	<b>Ambering</b>	<b>Ambering</b>
No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Sheen</b>	<b>Sheen</b>	<b>Sheen</b>	<b>Sheen</b>	<b>Sheen</b>	<b>Sheen</b>	<b>Sheen</b>	<b>Sheen</b>
Flat, Satin, Semi-Gloss, Gloss	Very Flat	Gloss	Flat, Satin, Semi-Gloss, Gloss	Satin, Semi-Gloss, Gloss	Satin	Gloss	NA.
<b>Interior or Exterior</b>	<b>Interior or Exterior</b>	<b>Interior or Exterior</b>	<b>Interior or Exterior</b>	<b>Interior or Exterior</b>	<b>Interior or Exterior</b>	<b>Interior or Exterior</b>	<b>Interior or Exterior</b>
Interior Only	Interior Only	Interior Only	Interior - No Decks	Interior Only	Interior Only	Interior Only	Interior Only
<b>Type</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Type</b>
Urethane/Acrylic Blend	Self-crosslinking Acrylic	Oil-modified Urethane	Urethane/Acrylic Blend	Urethane	Oil & Urethane	Oil & Urethane	Oil, Urethane, & Wax Blend
<b>Can Sizes</b>	<b>Can Sizes</b>	<b>Can Sizes</b>	<b>Can Sizes</b>	<b>Can Sizes</b>	<b>Can Sizes</b>	<b>Can Sizes</b>	<b>Can Sizes</b>
Pints, Quarts, Gallons, 5 Gallon Pails*	Pints, Quarts, Gallons	8 oz Bottle	Quarts, Gallons, 5 Gallon Pails*	Pints, Quarts, Gallons	Half-Pints, Pints, Quarts, Gallons	Pints, Quarts	Pints, Quarts, Gallons
<b>Coverage</b>	<b>Coverage</b>	<b>Coverage</b>	<b>Coverage</b>	<b>Coverage</b>	<b>Coverage</b>	<b>Coverage</b>	<b>Coverage</b>
500-600 Sq. Ft./Gal.	500-600 Sq. Ft./Gal.	38 Sq. Ft./Bottle	560-640 Sq. Ft./Gal.	400-500 Sq. Ft./Gal.	400-600 Sq. Ft./Gal.	100-120 Sq. Ft./Qt.	400-500 Sq. Ft./Gal.
<b>Coats</b>	<b>Coats</b>	<b>Coats</b>	<b>Coats</b>	<b>Coats</b>	<b>Coats</b>	<b>Coats</b>	<b>Coats</b>
3 Coats	3 Coats	3 Coats	2-3 Coats	3 Coats	3 Coats	3 Coats	1-2 Coats
<b>Application</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Application</b>	<b>Application</b>
Brush, Roll, Spray	Brush, Roll, Spray	Brush, Spray	Brush, Roll, Spray	Wipe, Brush, Roll, Pad, Spray	Wipe, Brush	Brush, Roll, Spray	Brush
<b>Over Existing Finishes</b>	<b>Over Existing Finishes</b>	<b>Over Existing Finishes</b>	<b>Over Existing Finishes</b>	<b>Over Existing Finishes</b>	<b>Over Existing Finishes</b>	<b>Over Existing Finishes</b>	<b>Over Existing Finishes</b>
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Tip Size</b>	<b>Tip Size</b>	<b>Tip Size</b>	<b>Tip Size</b>	<b>Tip Size</b>	<b>Tip Size</b>	<b>Tip Size</b>	<b>Tip Size</b>
HVLP 1.1mm-1.3mm	HVLP 1.1mm-1.3mm	HVLP 1.1mm-1.3mm	HVLP 1.1mm-1.3mm	HVLP 1.0mm-1.2mm	NA.	HVLP 1.0mm-1.2mm	NA.
<b>Dry Time-Touch</b>	<b>Dry Time-Touch</b>	<b>Dry Time-Touch</b>	<b>Dry Time-Touch</b>	<b>Dry Time-Touch</b>	<b>Dry Time-Touch</b>	<b>Dry Time-Touch</b>	<b>Dry Time-Touch</b>
30+ Min.	30+ Min.	10-30 Min., Under 10 Min. On Lathe	30+ Min.	12+ Hr.	8+ Hr.	12+ Hr.	12+ Hr.
<b>Dry Time-Recoat</b>	<b>Dry Time-Recoat</b>	<b>Dry Time-Recoat</b>	<b>Dry Time-Recoat</b>	<b>Dry Time-Recoat</b>	<b>Dry Time-Recoat</b>	<b>Dry Time-Recoat</b>	<b>Dry Time-Recoat</b>
2+ Hr.	2+ Hr.	30+ Min., 10 Min. On Lathe	2+ Hr.	12-24+ Raw Wood, 72 Hr.+ Existing Finish	12-24+ Raw Wood, 72 Hr.+ Existing Finish	24+ Hr.	24+ Hr.
<b>Dry Time-Light Use</b>	<b>Dry Time-Light Use</b>	<b>Dry Time-Light Use</b>	<b>Dry Time-Light Use</b>	<b>Dry Time-Light Use</b>	<b>Dry Time-Light Use</b>	<b>Dry Time-Light Use</b>	<b>Dry Time-Light Use</b>
7-10 Days	7-10 Days	7-10 Days	7-10 Days	7-10 Days	7-10 Days	7-10 Days	NA.
<b>Stack Times — 70°F, 50% RH</b>	<b>Stack Times — 70°F, 50% RH</b>	<b>Stack Times — 70°F, 50% RH</b>	<b>Stack Times — 70°F, 50% RH</b>	<b>Stack Times — 70°F, 50% RH</b>	<b>Stack Times — 70°F, 50% RH</b>	<b>Stack Times — 70°F, 50% RH</b>	<b>Stack Times — 70°F, 50% RH</b>
12+ Hours Dependent On Conditions	12+ Hours Dependent On Conditions	12+ Hours Dependent On Conditions	12+ Hours Dependent On Conditions	NA.	NA.	NA.	NA.
<b>Dry Time-Cure</b>	<b>Dry Time-Cure</b>	<b>Dry Time-Cure</b>	<b>Dry Time-Cure</b>	<b>Dry Time-Cure</b>	<b>Dry Time-Cure</b>	<b>Dry Time-Cure</b>	<b>Dry Time-Cure</b>
21 Days	21 Days	21 Days	21 Days	30 Days	30 Days	30 Days	30 Days
<b>Durability</b>	<b>Durability</b>	<b>Durability</b>	<b>Durability</b>	<b>Durability</b>	<b>Durability</b>	<b>Durability</b>	<b>Durability</b>
High	Low	Medium	High	Highest	Highest	High	High
<b>Water Resistance</b>	<b>Water Resistance</b>	<b>Water Resistance</b>	<b>Water Resistance</b>	<b>Water Resistance</b>	<b>Water Resistance</b>	<b>Water Resistance</b>	<b>Water Resistance</b>
4	4	3	5	5	5	5	5
<b>Chemical Resistance</b>	<b>Chemical Resistance</b>	<b>Chemical Resistance</b>	<b>Chemical Resistance</b>	<b>Chemical Resistance</b>	<b>Chemical Resistance</b>	<b>Chemical Resistance</b>	<b>Chemical Resistance</b>
93	86	80	92	99	102	101	90
<b>Viscosity</b>	<b>Viscosity</b>	<b>Viscosity</b>	<b>Viscosity</b>	<b>Viscosity</b>	<b>Viscosity</b>	<b>Viscosity</b>	<b>Viscosity</b>
Medium	Medium	Thin	Medium	Thin	Thick	Thin	Thin
<b>Weight Solids</b>	<b>Weight Solids</b>	<b>Weight Solids</b>	<b>Weight Solids</b>	<b>Weight Solids</b>	<b>Weight Solids</b>	<b>Weight Solids</b>	<b>Weight Solids</b>
25%	24%	20%	31%	32%	34%	32%	33%
<b>Volume Solids</b>	<b>Volume Solids</b>	<b>Volume Solids</b>	<b>Volume Solids</b>	<b>Volume Solids</b>	<b>Volume Solids</b>	<b>Volume Solids</b>	<b>Volume Solids</b>
25%	24%	16%	32%	30%	27%	26%	27%
<b>VOC</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>VOC</b>	<b>VOC</b>
<250 g/L	<210.143 g/L	<235 g/L	<576.231 g/L	<576.788 g/L	<565.023 g/L	<575.051 g/L	<564.553 g/L

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