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## **Gelcoat Blister Prevention System**

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR NEW OR PREVIOUSLY UNPAINTED FIBERGLASS HULLS

Note: If hull has previously been painted, the antifouling paint will need to be removed back down to gelcoat. Once all paint has been removed follow application procedures below.



Ensure you are using the proper personal protective equipment (PPE).

## PREPARATION



- Mask off waterline and other areas with 3M<sup>™</sup> blue masking tape.
- 2. There are two methods for de-waxing/cleaning the hull:

## Option 1



Apply Fiberglass Surface Prep YMA601 with 3/8" nap roller on entire surface to be de-waxed. Work in small areas, in order to ensure product is removed before drying.



■ Scrub with Fiberglass Surface Prep YMA601 with a 3M<sup>™</sup> Doodlebug<sup>™</sup> and a maroon or brown Scotch-Brite<sup>™</sup> abrasive pad. Ensure that all areas have been thoroughly scrubbed with the Doodlebug<sup>™</sup> and pad. Near waterline or hard to reach areas, use extra care to thoroughly scrub these areas.



Use wet rags OR spray down with a fresh water hose. Wipe off all trace of Fiberglass Surface Prep YMA601. Ensure that rags are changed frequently and not reused.

#### **Option 2**



Remove all surface contaminants by wiping down the surface with Fiberglass Solvent Wash 202, using the 'Two-Rag' method. Ensure that rags are changed frequently and not reused.



Repeat wiping with Fiberglass Solvent Wash 202, using the 'Two-Rag' method until surface is de-waxed/cleaned.



3.

Verify that all wax was removed from the surface by using a spray bottle of water and checking for water beading. Repeat step 2 if any areas have been found to bead up again.



Once the surface is clean, sand the gelcoat thoroughly using 80-grit sandpaper. Ensure that sandpaper is changed frequently.



Remove sanding residue by wiping down the surface with Fiberglass Solvent Wash 202, using the 'Two-Rag' method. Ensure that rags are changed frequently and not reused.





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## APPLICATION



 Mix the appropriate volume of InterProtect<sup>®</sup> 2000E. Always mix using the ratio of 3 parts base (2000E) with 1 part reactor (2001E). Mix by hand, paint shaker or with mixer drill attachment until product is thoroughly mixed. Allow InterProtect 2000E to induct (remain stationary) for 20 minutes prior to application.



2. Apply coats of InterProtect using a 3/8" nap roller following overcoat times on chart below. Apply Interprotect to build a 10 mil (.010 inch) dry film thickness. This is achieved by applying 4-5 coats of InterProtect.

## **Overcoating Times of InterProtect 2000E**

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3. Following overcoat times on chart below apply the 1st coat of Interlux Antifouling onto areas that have been covered with the InterProtect 2000E. Ensure that the first coat of Interlux.

Antifouling is applied while InterProtect 2000E is still thumbprint tacky.



Allow the 1st coat of Interlux Antifouling to dry as per instructions listed on product label before overcoating with 2nd coat of antifouling.

Substrate Temperature °F (°C)	Time between coats of InterProtect 2000E		Hours between last coat of InterProtect 2000E and Antifouling Paint	
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
41°F (5°C)	10 hours	6 months	10 hours	24 hours
50°F (10°C)	5 hours	6 months	5 hours	9 hours
75°F (25°C)	3 hours	6 months	3 hours	7 hours
95°F (35°C)	2 hours	6 months	1 hour	5 hours

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