

**ETHYL SILICATE ZINC N 1661**

**PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

Two-component inorganic zinc ethyl silicate. Provides galvanic anticorrosive protection to carbon steel.

**RECOMMENDED USE**

Anticorrosive primer for protection of metal structures, plates, bridges, containers, and port cranes. Widely used in the offshore and naval industry, as well as maritime platforms. Suitable for internal protection of ethanol storage tanks (consult WEG Technical Department for more information).

**CERTIFICATIONS AND APPROVALS**

Complies with Petrobras Standard N 1661.

When supplied to comply with the ROHS Directive (Restriction of Certain Hazardous Substances), this product includes the letter R in its nomenclature description.

Complies with SSPC Paint 20 Composition and Performance Requirements Level 1.

Complies with ET-053 PEMEX standard, System 3.

Modified RP-4 B

**PACKAGING**

<b>Component A</b>	0.9L Package containing 0.65L
<b>Component B</b>	3.6L Package containing 2.95L

**CHARACTERISTICS**

<b>Color</b>	Gray.
<b>Gloss</b>	Matte
<b>Volume Solids</b>	52 ± 2% (ISO 3233)
<b>Shelf Life</b>	12 months
<b>Dry Film Thickness</b>	70 µm - 80 µm
<b>Dry Heat Resistance</b>	Maximum temperature 500 °C. The product maintains its chemical properties up to a temperature of 500 °C, but from 150°C, color and gloss variations in the paint may occur.
<b>Theoretical Coverage</b>	6,93 m <sup>2</sup> /l without dilution at a dry film thickness of 75 µm. Loss factors during application are not considered.
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	Min: 7 Max: 7.2 g/cm <sup>3</sup>

**DRYING**

<b>Drying</b>			
	<b>10 °C</b>	<b>25 °C</b>	<b>35 °C</b>
<b>Touch</b>	15 min	14 min	8 min
<b>Manipulation</b>	80 min	60 min	45 min
<b>Final</b>	192 hours	168 hours	144 hours
<b>Recoat Drying</b>			
	<b>10 °C</b>	<b>25 °C</b>	<b>35 °C</b>
<b>Minima</b>	24 hours	4 hours	2 hours
<b>Maxima</b>	-	-	-
<b>Topcoat Recoat Drying</b>			
	<b>10 °C</b>	<b>25 °C</b>	<b>35 °C</b>
<b>Minima</b>	6 hours	4 hours	3 hours
<b>Maxima</b>	20 hours	16 hours	12 hours

**SURFACE PREPARATION**



**Standard Surface Preparation**

The performance of this product is related to the degree of surface preparation. In case of doubts, for more information, consult WEG's Technical Department.

Remove accumulated dirt using a dry brush, clean dry cloth, compressed air blow, vacuum, or a combination of these. Remove soluble salts by washing with plenty of fresh water, preferably under low pressure (up to 5,000 psi), according to SSPC-SP12/NACE No. 5 standard.

**Recommended Surface Profile**

It is recommended a roughness profile between 40 and 85 micrometers.

**Abrasive Blasting**

For bottom, boot-top, and hull areas, it is recommended to paint on surfaces blasted to Sa 2½ or SSPC-SP10. Visual standard ISO 8501-1.

Inspect the freshly blasted surface, observing defects that may appear after treatment. Correct them by grinding, filling with welds and/or epoxy putty.

If oxidation occurs between the end of abrasive blasting and coating application, the surface must be blasted again until the specified visual standard is achieved.

**APPLICATION PREPARATION**

<b>Mixing</b>	Homogenize the content of component B using mechanical or pneumatic stirring. Ensure no sediment remains at the bottom of the container. Add approximately 40% of component B to component A, homogenize by mechanical or manual stirring until a smooth, lump-free paste is obtained. Add the remaining component B and homogenize. Pass the mixture through an 80-100 mesh sieve. Application should only be done with equipment that provides mechanical agitation during the entire application.
<b>Mixing Ratio</b>	By volume: 0.22 A x 1 B.
<b>Thinner</b>	ZINC ETHYL SILICATE DILUENT
<b>Dilution</b>	Depending on the application method, dilute to a maximum of 25%.
<b>Notes</b>	The amount of Diluent may vary depending on the type of equipment used and environmental conditions during application. Only add Diluent after complete mixing of the other components. Do not dilute with solvents not allowed by local legislation, and do not exceed the indicated dilution percentage. Excessive dilution may affect film formation, appearance, and make it difficult to achieve the specified thickness.
<b>Pot Life</b>	4 h  The shelf life of the mixture is reduced as the ambient temperature increases.  The pot-life test of the mixture is carried out according to ABNT NBR 15742; however, different volumes of paint prepared at once, combined with varying ambient and paint temperatures, will affect the mixture's shelf life, potentially resulting in outcomes different from those stated in this technical bulletin.
<b>Induction Time</b>	Wait 15 to 20 minutes before application.  In very hot locations, we recommend consulting WEG's Technical Department.

**APPLICATION METHODS**

<b>Conventional Spray Gun</b>	Gun: JGA 5023-67 Devilbiss or equivalent. Fluid nozzle: EX or FF. Air cap: 704. Atomization pressure: 30-50 psi. Tank pressure: 10-20 psi. Thinning: 25%
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<b>Airless Spray Gun</b>	Airless: use minimum 60:1 pump Fluid pressure: 1500-2500 psi Hose: 1/4" inner diameter Tip: 0.015-0.021" Thinning: Max. 10%
<b>Roller</b>	Not recommended.
<b>Brush</b>	Recommended only for small area touch-ups or "stripe coat" (screws, nuts, weld beads, sharp corners, and touch-ups).
<b>Cleaning of the equipments:</b>	ZINC ETHYL SILICATE DILUENT
<b>Notes</b>	<p>The data presented serves as a guide and similar equipment may be used.</p> <p>Changes in pressures and nozzle sizes may be necessary to improve spraying characteristics. Purge the compressed air line to avoid paint contamination.</p> <p>Do not allow catalyzed product to remain in contact with application equipment, as at temperatures above the indicated "pot life", the paint will show variation in flow and will harden, making cleaning difficult.</p> <p>Before application, ensure that the equipment and respective components are clean and in optimal condition.</p> <p>After mixing two-component products, if there are application stops and the pot life has been exceeded (paint shows variation in flow), it can no longer be re-thinned for later application.</p> <p>Reinforce all sharp corners, gaps, and weld beads with a brush to avoid premature failures in these areas.</p> <p>Clean all equipment immediately after use.</p>

**APPLICATION PERFORMANCE**

During application, the paint must remain under constant agitation. Failure to agitate may cause zinc sedimentation, leading to coating defects such as lack of adhesion, cracking, and fissures. The same problems may occur when applying above the recommended thickness.

It is recommended that, before applying the subsequent coat, a curing test be performed with a specific solvent according to ASTM D 4752. A value of 4 indicates a satisfactory degree of cure, allowing reapplication.

For coatings applied in coastal areas exposed to sea spray, it is recommended to wash with fresh water between coats to remove deposited impurities.

Do not apply the product after the pot life has been exceeded.

No paint application should be performed during rain, fog, or mist, or when relative humidity is above 85%, nor when there is an expectation of reaching this value. In the case of zinc ethyl silicate-based paints, relative humidity must be between 60% and 85% to ensure proper curing of the coating. If it is necessary to assess the degree of cure, the procedure described in ASTM D 4752 standard must be used, or another under the guidance of the WEG Technical Department. No subsequent coat of paint should be applied without confirming the proper curing of the zinc ethyl silicate paint.

For optimal application properties, the paint temperature should be between 21°C and 27°C before mixing and application.

Painting is recommended only if surface temperature is at least 3°C above the dew point.

Substrate temperature, climatic and environmental conditions during application and curing, as well as applied film thickness, may affect drying time.

Small variations in color, appearance, and gloss (more noticeable in dark colors), as well as delayed curing and performance compromise, may occur during high humidity, rainy days, cold locations, or when parts dry outdoors.

**SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

Product developed for industrial use intended for handling by qualified professionals. Carefully read all information contained in the SDS of this product, available at: [www.weg.net](http://www.weg.net).

Store in a covered and well-ventilated place. Keep the container tightly closed and away from sources of heat or ignition.

Use only in well-ventilated areas, avoiding the accumulation of flammable vapors. Keep the product away from heat and sources of ignition.



Do not inhale mists/vapors/aerosols generated during handling and/or application. Use protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.  
Empty containers and materials with paint residues must be disposed of according to current legislation. Take care of the environment.

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## NOTE

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