



**ETHYL SILICATE ZINC N 2231**

**PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

Two-component inorganic ethyl silicate-based coating, pigmented with zinc and aluminum. Protects carbon steel against corrosion and provides heat resistance up to 932°F.

**RECOMMENDED USE**

Indicated for protection of chimneys and any equipment operating at high temperatures.

**CERTIFICATIONS AND APPROVALS**

Complies with Petrobras Standard N 2231.

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

**PACKAGING**

<b>Component A</b>	0.95 US gal Package containing 0.63 US gal
<b>Component B</b>	0.40 US gal Package containing 0.32 US gal

**CHARACTERISTICS**

<b>Color</b>	Aluminum.
<b>Gloss</b>	Matte
<b>Volume Solids</b>	52 ± 2% (ISO 3233)
<b>Shelf Life</b>	12 months
<b>Dry Film Thickness</b>	2.6 mils - 3.0 mils
<b>Dry Heat Resistance</b>	Maximum temperature 932 °F. The product maintains its chemical properties up to a temperature of 932 °F, but from 302°F, color and gloss variations in the paint may occur.
<b>Theoretical Coverage</b>	282.4 ft <sup>2</sup> /gal without dilution at a dry film thickness of 3.0 mils. Loss factors during application are not considered.

**DRYING**

<b>Drying</b>			
	<b>50 °F</b>	<b>77 °F</b>	<b>95 °F</b>
<b>Touch</b>	35 min	20 min	15 min
<b>Pressure</b>	150 min	2 hours	100 min
<b>Final</b>	240 hours	168 hours	168 hours
<b>Recoat Drying</b>			
	<b>50 °F</b>	<b>77 °F</b>	<b>95 °F</b>
<b>Minimum</b>	6 hours	5 hours	4 hours
<b>Maximum</b>	24 hours	24 hours	24 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.

The surface must be clean, dry, and free of any contaminants. Remove oils, greases, and fats according to SSPC-SP1 standard.

**Recommended Surface Profile**

It is recommended a roughness profile between 1.57 and 2.36 mils.



**Abrasive Blasting**

Perform abrasive blasting to near-white metal, Sa 2½ grade, according to ISO 8501-1 visual standard (A Sa 2½, B Sa 2½, C Sa 2½, D Sa 2½), or according to SSPC-SP10/NACE No. 2, visual standard SSPC-VIS 1 (A SP10, B SP10, C SP10, D SP10, G1 SP10, G2 SP10, G3 SP10).

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

For areas near marine environments, wash with fresh water at low pressure (minimum 3,000 psi) before abrasive blasting. In some cases, repeat washing after blasting to remove soluble contaminants and perform a new abrasive blasting.

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.

**Carbon Steel Surfaces**

Hard surface layers (e.g., layers resulting from flame cutting) must be removed by grinding before starting abrasive blasting.

All welds must be inspected and, if necessary, repaired before completing abrasive blasting. Porosities, cavities, weld splatter, etc., must be repaired with proper mechanical treatment or welding repair. In other areas, round edges and sharp corners (r e 0.0787 in, ISO 8501-3).

**APPLICATION PREPARATION**

<b>Mixing</b>	<p>Homogenize the content of each component using mechanical or pneumatic stirring (A and B). Ensure no sediment remains at the bottom of the container. Add component B to component A in the indicated mixing ratio under stirring until completely homogenized, respecting the mixing ratio.</p> <p>Application must only be carried out with equipment that provides mechanical agitation during the entire application.</p> <p>Then pass the mixture through an 80-100 mesh sieve.</p>
<b>Mixing Ratio</b>	By volume: 2 A x 1 B.
<b>Thinner</b>	ETHYL SILICATE DILUENT 9001
<b>Dilution</b>	Depending on the application method, dilute to a maximum of 10%.
<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>	<p>4 h</p> <p>The shelf life of the mixture is reduced as the ambient temperature increases.</p> <p>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.</p>
<b>Induction Time</b>	<p>Wait 10 to 15 minutes before application.</p> <p>In very hot locations, we recommend consulting WEG's Technical Department.</p>

**APPLICATION METHODS**

<b>Conventional Spray Gun</b>	<p>Spray gun: JGA 5023-67 Devilbiss or equivalent</p> <p>Fluid nozzle: AV 617 EE</p> <p>Air cap: MB 4039 - 67 (with ring)</p> <p>Atomization pressure: 50 - 70 psi</p> <p>Tank pressure: 10 - 20 psi.</p>
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<b>Airless Spray Gun</b>	Airless: use minimum 60:1 pump Fluid pressure: 2000-3000 psi Hose: 1/4" inner diameter Nozzle: 0.031-0.035" Filter: Mesh 60 Dilution: Max. 5%
<b>Brush</b>	Not recommended.
<b>Cleaning of the equipments:</b>	ETHYL SILICATE DILUENT 9001
<b>Notes</b>	<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>In spray application, overlap each gun pass by 50%, finishing with a cross pass. This technique avoids uncovered or unprotected areas and ensures proper aesthetic finish.</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> <p>It is considered good practice to periodically wash the spraying equipment during the day. The cleaning frequency depends on the amount sprayed, temperature, and elapsed time, including all delays.</p>

**APPLICATION PERFORMANCE**

Application of thicknesses above the recommended may result in coating film defects such as cracking, fissures, or fractures.

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.

Application must only be carried out with equipment that provides mechanical agitation during the entire application.

For optimal application properties, the paint temperature must be between 69.8°F - 80.6°F before mixing and application.

We recommend painting only if the measured surface temperature is at least 5.4°F above the dew point.

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

Paintings performed with varying application methods on the same project may result in differences in gloss and final appearance.

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**

The information contained in this technical bulletin is based on the experience and knowledge acquired in the field by WEG's technical team.

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