

WEGZINC 401

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Two-component zinc ethyl silicate shop primer. It provides good corrosion protection even after heating up to 800 °C (1472°F). It does not interfere in the welding or gas cutting processes.

RECOMMENDED USES: Especially developed to protect steel during the manufacture and assembly of new structures. Used when you need speed in the welding process. Recommended to reduce the secondary surface preparation process.

CERTIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL: This product is certified as part of a paint scheme approved according to the MED Directive 2014/90 / EU, in accordance with the tests of IMO Resolution MSC 307 (88) - Annex 1 - Parts 2 and 5. Certified by DNV for tests of weldability-resistant shop primers. NORSOK M-501, Edition 5, System 1. Pre-qualified according to NORSOK M-501, Edition 5, System 7. Meets IMO resolution MSC.215 (82) for painting ballast tanks. DNV certified Shop primer weld-resistant, as certified by DNV, Lloyd's, and RMRS.

PACKAGING:	Component	Content	Package	Unit of measurement
	Component A	1,44 8	3,6 20	L
	Component B	2,16 12	3,6 20	L

CHARACTERISTICS: **Color:** Gray, Red oxide, Green
Gloss: Matte
VOC content: 640 g/l
Volume solid: 25 ± 2% (ISO 3233).
Shelf-Life: 06 months at 25°C (77°F)
Thickness per coat (dry): 15 µm – 20 µm
Theoretical coverage: 16,7 m²/l without dilution in the thickness of 15 µm dry. Without considering loss factors in application.

Drying:

10°C (50°F)	25°C (77°F)	35°C (95°F)
-	3 minutes	3 minutes

NOTE: Contact WEG to use an adequate primer

SURFACE PREPARATION The performance of this product depends on the degree of surface preparation.

The surface must be clean, dry and free of any contaminants. Completely remove oils, greases and fats, as described in the SSPC-SP 1 standard.

The accumulated dirt must be removed using a dry brush, clean and dry cloth, compressed air blow, vacuum cleaner and/or with the combination of such items, and the soluble salts must be removed through wash with a great quantity of fresh water, preferably with low pressure (up to 5,000 psi) according to SSPC-SP 12/NACE No. 5.

Surface treatment through Abrasive Blasting process

Execute the abrasive blasting to near white metal, Sa 2 ½ grade of the ISO 8501-1 visual standard (A Sa 2 ½, B Sa 2 ½, C Sa 2 ½ and D Sa 2 ½) or according to SSPC-SP 10/NACE No. 2, SSPC-VIS 1 visual standard (A SP 10, B SP 10, C SP 10, D SP 10, G1 SP 10, G2 SP 10, G3 SP 10).

It is recommended a roughness profile between 40 and 60 μm .

Inspect the newly blasted surface observing the presence of surface flaws that could become apparent after this stage, adopting appropriate actions to mitigate such defects through grinding, weld filling and/or epoxy putty.

In case of oxidation on the substrate from the end of the abrasive blasting to the beginning of the coating application, the surface must be blasted again until reaching the specified visual standard.

For areas close to sea air, it is necessary to wash the surface with fresh water at low pressure (minimum 3,000 psi) before the abrasive blasting. And in some cases it is necessary to repeat the washing procedure after the abrasive blasting to remove possible soluble contaminants settled on the surface proceeding with a new abrasive blasting.

The steel shots used must be angular or a mixture of angular grits (24-39 mils) with rounded shots (24 55 s mils), being predominant an angular profile.

Treatment of Steel Carbon Surfaces

Hard superficial layers (for example, layers resulting from flame cut) must be removed by grinding it before beginning the abrasive blasting.

All the welds must be inspected e, if necessary, be repaired before the ending of the abrasive blasting. Porosity, cavities, weld splashes, etc. must be repaired by means of proper mechanical treatment or weld repair; in the other areas, round the sharp edges ($r \geq 2 \text{ mm}$, ISO 8501-3).

For further information, consult WEG Technical Department.

PREPARATION FOR APPLICATION

Mixture

Homogenize the contents of each component with mechanical or pneumatic stirring (A and B). Check there are no sediment settled at the bottom of the package. Add component B to component A, at the recommended proportion (volume), under stirring, until complete homogenization, observing the mixing ratio.

Then, pass the mixture through a 30-70 mesh screen.

The application should only be made with equipment that has mechanical stirring throughout the process.

Mixing ratio (Volume)

1 A X 1.5 B.

Diluent

Ethyl silicate diluent 9002

Dilution

Depending on the application method, dilute at most. 5%

Do not dilute with solvents that are not allowed by local legislation and do not exceed the recommended dilution percentage.

Only add the diluent after complete mixing of components A + B.

The quantity of diluent may vary depending on the type of equipment used and the ambient conditions during the application.

Excessive dilution of the coating may affect the formation and aspect of the film and not allow to reach the specified thickness.

Pot life of the mixture (25°C) (77°F)

24 h

The pot-life test is performed according to the Brazilian standard ABNT NBR 15742; however, different volumes of coating prepared at once combined with different ambient and coating temperatures will influence the pot life, and different results than those mentioned in this data sheet may be found.

Induction time (25°C)

No induction time required.

In hot areas, we recommend consulting WEG Technical Department.

APPLICATION FORMS

The data below is a guide, and similar equipment may be used.

In the spray application, make a 50% overlap in each gun pass, concluding with a cross pass. This technique is used to avoid uncovered and unprotected areas and to obtain a suitable aesthetic finish.

Recoat all sharp edges, cracks and weld beads with a brush to prevent premature failures in these areas.

Changes in nozzle sizes and pressures may be necessary to improve spraying characteristics. Before application, check if the equipment and its components are clean and in best condition. Purge the compressed air line to prevent contamination of the coating.

After mixing two-component products, if there are stops in the application, and pot life is exceeded (the coating shows variation in fluidity) it can no longer be diluted for further application.

The data below is a guide, and similar equipment may be used.

Conventional gun:

Gun:	JGA 502/3 Devilbiss or equivalent
Fluid nozzle:	EX
Air cap:	704
Atomization pressure:	50 - 70 psi
Pressure in the tank:	10 - 20 psi
Dilution:	5%

Airless Gun:

Use Airless:	Use at least pump 60: 1
Fluid pressure:	2000 – 3000 psi
Hose:	¼" internal diameter
Nozzle:	0,017" - 0,025"
Filter:	Mesh 60

Brush:

Only recommended for touch up small areas or stripe coat (screws, nuts, weld and sharp edges). Use a brush 75 to 100 mm wide for larger surfaces and 25 to 38 mm for touch up.

Roller:

Only recommended for small areas or retouching. Use a thin nap, seamless sheepskin or microfiber roller for epoxy coatings.

Cleaning the equipment:

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Clean all equipment immediately after use.

NOTE:

Do not leave catalyzed product in contact with the equipment used in the application, because the coating will vary in fluidity at temperatures above specified in the pot life and will cure faster, making the cleaning difficult.

Furthermore, it is a good working practice to periodically wash the spray equipment along the day. The cleaning frequency will depend on the amount sprayed, temperature and elapsed time, including all delays.

PERFORMANCE IN THE APPLICATION

For a good performance of the product, we recommend following the directions below:

Variations in color, aspect and gloss (more noticeable in dark colors) may occur, as well as delay in curing and low coating performance, when applied during periods of high air relative humidity, rainy days, low temperatures or drying the coating outdoor.

In paintings carried out in front of the sea, if exposed to sea air, we recommend to wash with fresh water between coats eliminating settled impurities.

The application above the recommended thickness may produce flaws in the coating film, such as cracking, and will cause the loss of weldability.

During application, the coating should be constantly stirred. Failure to stir may cause zinc sedimentation, resulting in coating problems, such as lack of adhesion and cracking. The same problems may occur in applications above the recommended thickness.

It is recommended that, prior to the application of the subsequent coat, a curing test with specific solvent be performed according to ASTM D 4752. Value 4 indicates a satisfactory degree of curing, and overcoating can be done.

We recommend coating only if the surface temperature is at least 3 °C (37,4°F) above the dew point temperature.

Do not apply the product after the pot life has expired.

For better application properties, the coating temperature should be between 21 - 27 °C prior to the mixing and application.

In coatings with variation in application method in the same job, the final aspect and gloss of the painted surfaces may show differences.

The temperature of the substrate, the weather and environmental conditions during the application and during the curing of the product, and the thickness of the coat may interfere in the product drying time.

As this product is a Primer, there may be color variation between batches of this material.

NOTE: Wegzinc 401 can be repainted for an extended period, even over six months, as long as there is no corrosion on the surface to be painted. If there is corrosion, the area must be properly treated as recommended in the item surface treatment.

For further information, consult WEG Technical Department.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Product developed for industrial use intended for handling by qualified professionals.

Please read carefully all the information contained in the MSDS of this product, available at: www.weg.net.

Store in a covered, well-ventilated area. 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.

Wear protective gloves / protective clothing / eye protection / face protection.

Avoid release this product and its packaging, as well as materials used during handling and application in the environment.

NOTE:

The information contained in this technical datasheet is based upon the experience and knowledge acquired in the field by the technical team of WEG.

If using the product without previous inquiry to WEG Coating concerning its suitability for the customer's intended purpose, the customer is aware that the use shall be its exclusive responsibility, WEG not being responsible for behavior, safety, suitability or durability of the product.

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