Technical Data Sheet

MCU ALUTOPCOAT®

Product and Technology Description

MCU-Alutopcoat is a single component moisture cure polyurea coating. It is a high solids, UV resistant and aluminium pigmented topcoat. MCU-Alutopcoat has excellent impact, abrasion, and corrosion resistance and can be applied directly onto ferrous and non-ferrous substrates. It can also be used as a topcoat in our Anti-Carbonation system.

Technology Features

1 component – minimal preparation and no pot-life limitations
Can be applied in 6 % to 99 % relative humidity
Cures quickly, even at -20 °C, 45 minute recoat possible
Can be applied at ambient temp. to 50°C & steel to 75°C
High surface tolerance
Exceptional corrosion resistance
Excellent abrasion resistance
Good chemical resistance
Superior Flexibility - No cracking, flaking, or peeling
Moisture resistant after 30 minutes
High resistance to blistering
Typical service temperatures -45°C to 145°C *

Excellent adhesion to most substrates and sound aged coatings
UHP WJ, dry/wet blasting & power tool cleaning

Product Specific Features
Direct to Ferrous & non-ferrous
Excellent wetting out properties
Suitable for immersion & atmospheric exposure
Excellent impact resistance
Anti-Carbonation system topcoat

Areas of Use

Substrates
Ferrous – mild steel / cast iron
Non-ferrous metals
Metallized coatings
Galvanised metal
Aluminium
Stainless steel
FRP
(and most sound old coatings)

Possible uses
Bridges
Structural steel
Offshore platforms / marine / port facilities
Material handling equipment
Refineries / pipes / paper mills
Chemical processing facilities
Energy / hydropower sectors
Water and wastewater treatment plants
Direct to Ferrous and Non-Ferrous
Aluminium boats and ferries

Specifications

Resin type:	Aliphatic polyurea
Pigment type:	Aluminium flake
Sheen:	Semi-gloss
Colour:	Aluminium
Volume solids:	63%±3.0%
VOC:	214 g/l

Theoretical coverage:	25µm DFT: 25.2 m2/l
Recommended film thickness:	
Wet:	70 - 95 µm -no thinners
Dry:	44 - 60 µm

Shipping Information

Shelf life:	15 months from date of manufacture if stored unopened between -5 °C & 30 °C in a cool, dry place
Density:	1.25 ± 0.12 kg/l
Flash point:	38.5 °C
UN proper shipping name:	UN 1263, PAINT, Class 3, Packaging Group III

Drying Times and Temperatures *– 75µm DFT*

Temperatures RH at 60% *	Tack free		Recoat minimum & maximum *		Full cure	
	without MCU-Quickcure	*with MCU-Quickcure*	*without MCU-Quickcure*	*with MCU-Quickcure*	*without MCU-Quickcure*	*with MCU-Quickcure*
-20 °C	20 hours	15 hours	72 hrs / 96 hours	12 hrs / 96 hours	**	**
-10 °C	15 hours	10 hours	24 hrs/48 hours	8 hrs / 48 hours	**	**
0 °C	7 hours	5 hours	18 hrs / 48 hours	2 hrs /24 hours	**	**
10 °C	30 minutes	20 minutes	10 hr / 24 hours	1.5 hrs / 24 hours	10 days	10 days
25 °C	10 minutes	10 minutes	5 hrs/ 24 hours	1 hr / 24 hours	7 days	7 days
40 °C	10 minutes	10 minutes	3 hrs / 24 hours	45 min / 24 hours	5 days	5 days

Refer to MCU-Quickcure Technical Data Sheet for additional information

* Best practice to recoat within 48hrs not exceeding 7 days with itself, thereafter, lightly abrade to remove the glaze. Ensure the surface is clean and free of contaminants

* Humidity, temperature, and coating thickness >75µm DFT will affect drying and curing times

**Product is serviceable but will cure slowly and remain soft for a long period

Surface Preparation

Ferrous Metal

Must use a MCU-Coatings recommended primer when required. Apply primer to a clean, dry surface. Refer to the Technical Data Sheet for additional information.

Prepare surfaces for non-immersion or atmospheric service projects by ISO 8504-2 methods to Sa2 SSPC-SP6/NACE No.3 Commercial Blast Clean, visual standard SSPC vis 1, or by SSPC-SP12/NACE 5.0 High or Ultra High pressure water jetting methods to WJ 4M, visual standard SSPC vis 4/NACE vis 7, or by SSPC-TR2/NACE 6G198 Wet abrasive blast cleaning methods to WAB 6M, visual standard SSPC vis 5/NACE vis 9 Wet Commercial Blast Clean finish.

For minimum surface preparation, use conscientious hand and power tool cleaning methods in accordance with ISO 8504-3/ SSPC-SP2 and SSPC-SP3, visual standard SSPC vis 3 to remove corrosion, loose or failing paint to St2 or St3. Feather the edges of sound, existing paint back to a firm edge. Consult your MCU-Coatings Representative for additional information.

Blast cleaning methods should produce a minimum surface profile of 20-50 µm.

Aluminium / Galvanised / Non-Ferrous Metals

The use of MCU-Coatings primers is preferred.

In case of direct application to the substrate: Prepare surfaces using SSPC-SP1 Solvent Cleaning and SSPC-SP12/ NACE No. 5 Low Pressure Water Cleaning methods to remove surface contamination.

Supplement weathered galvanised surface preparation with ISO 8504-3 SSPC-SP2 and SSPC-SP3 Hand and Power Tool Cleaning to remove excessive corrosion and create a surface profile on bare metal. Spot prime clean bare metal with MCU-Coatings recommended primer.

Supplement new galvanised surface cleaning with mechanical abrasion to impart a surface profile to support mechanical adhesion.

Concrete / Concrete Block

Must use MCU-Coatings recommended sealer coat.
The surface must be touch dry, free of surface contaminants, and in sound condition.

Grease, and oil should be removed by ASTM D4258-83 (Reapproved 1999) and release agents should be removed by ASTM D4259-88 (Reapproved 1999).

Refer to SSPC-SP13/ NACE No. 6 mechanical or chemical surface preparation methods for preparing concrete to suitable cleanliness for intended service.

Surface preparation methods should create sufficient surface profile for mechanical adhesion to occur.

Ensure surface is thoroughly rinsed and dry prior to coating application. Allow a minimum 7 days cure time for new concrete prior to preparation and application.

Existing Coatings

Prepare surfaces using SSPC-SP12/ NACE No. 5 Low Pressure Water Cleaning methods to remove surface contamination.

Supplement SSPC-SP 12 LPWC with SSPC-SP1 Solvent Cleaning and SSPC-SP 2 and SSPC-SP3 Hand and Power Tool clean areas of corrosion and loose or flaking paint, feather edges of sound, existing paint back to a firm edge or prepare surfaces using SSPC-SP 12/ Nace No. 5 High or Ultra High Pressure water jetting to WJ 4.
Spot prime clean, bare metal with MCU-Coatings' recommended primer.
Sand glossy surfaces to create a profile.
Apply a test sample to a small area to determine coating compatibility.

Best Practice

MCU-Alutopcoat is designed for application to a variety of substrates and tightly adhered, sound existing coatings.

Apply a test sample to a small area to determine coating compatibility. Spot prime any areas cleaned to bare metal with MCU-Coatings recommended primer.

The surface to be coated must be dry, clean, dull, and free from dirt, grease, oil, rust, mill scale, salts or any other surface contaminants that interfere with adhesion.

Ensure welds, repair areas, joints, and surface defects exposed by surface preparation are properly cleaned and treated prior to coating application. Consult the referenced standards, SSPC-PA1 and your MCU-Coatings representative for additional information or recommendations.

Application Information

MCU-Alutopcoat can be applied by brush, roller, airless spray, pressure pot, and conventional spray methods. Follow proper mixing instructions before applying.

Mixing

Material temperature should be 3°C above the dew point before opening and agitating. If not, warm the can accordingly, this will prevent moisture intrusion into the open can. Power mix thoroughly prior to application. Do not keep under constant agitation.

If required, apply a solvent float over the material (approx. 2mm) to prevent moisture intrusion, then cover the can.

Reducer

Typically not required. If necessary, thin up to 10% with a recommended MCU-Thinner. See Technical Data Sheet for additional information.

Brush/Roller

Brush:	Natural fibre
Roller:	Natural or synthetic fibre cover
Nap:	5 to 10 mm (higher nap, thicker coat)
Core:	Phenolic

Airless Spray

Pump Ratio:	28-40:1
Pressure:	165-193 bar (2400 – 2800 psi)
Hose:	5 to 10 mm (1/4" to 3/8")
Tip Size:	0.23 - 0.33mm (0.011-0.013 in)
Filter Size:	60 mesh (250 µm)

Conventional Spray

Fluid Nozzle:	E Fluid Tip
Air Cap:	704 or 765
Atomizing Air:	3.1 - 5.2 bar
Fluid Pressure:	1 - 1.4 bar
Hose:	12mm ID; Max 16 metres

Clean-up

MCU-Thinner, MCU-Thinner 25 and MCU-Thinner 50. If MCU-Thinners are not available for cleaning up, use MEK, MIBK, Xylene, a 50:50 blend of Xylene and MEK or MIBK, or acetone.

Do not add unauthorised solvents to MCU-Coatings.

Application

Temperature: - ambient temp. to 50°C & steel to 75°C
Substrate must be visibly dry.
* In extreme environments the resistance will diminish over time

Relative Humidity: 6% to 99%
MCU-Quickcure is advised when relative humidity is below 40%

Coating Accelerator:

See MCU-Quickcure Technical Data Sheet for information.

Storage

Store off the ground in a dry, protected area in temperature between -5 °C to 30 °C. Containers must be kept sealed when not in use. Use a solvent float to reseal partially used containers.

Safety Precautions

This product is for industrial and professional use only. Consult the Safety Data Sheet.

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