

ViterPaq EP Drum Stoving Lacquer

EPOXY PHENOLIC LINING LACQUER

END USE A chemically resistant coating for the internal protection of steel drums.

SUBSTRATE Cold reduced drum stock quality steel.

SUBSTRATE PREPARATION

For the best protection of the steel by ViterPaq EP the steel should be selected and/or treated prior to the application of the coating. Methods of pre-treatment can be:

1. *Abrasive Blasting*

Abrasive blast cleaning has been a widely used method of surface preparation prior to coating the surface with lacquer. Steel shot or grit can be used to achieve a suitable profile. Grit achieves a rough angular profile, the average dependant on grit size. Steel shot produces a less angular profile to the surface than the expendable grit. Steel shot size would be around S230 to S330 (0.60 – 1.00mm). A suggested grit would be no coarser than G24 and more likely G17 or G12. It is suggested that a peak-to-trough profile on the steel should not exceed 45 – 60 microns for the reconditioning market. A lower profile of 15 – 40 microns is normal for new drums. Allowance must be made when coating the profiled steel with ViterPaq EP that a safe minimum film thickness of coating achieved on the peaks of the profile. Surface dust, residue and debris from the blast cleaning operation should be removed before coating the surface with lacquer.

2. *Chemical Treatment*

The steel can be treated with pre-treatment chemicals, prior to coating with ViterPaq EP. In particular an iron phosphate coating – Granodine 606 – is suggested.

3. *Flame or Heat treatment*

The steel can be heated before applying ViterPaq EP. This burns off contaminants such as oils, liquids and some greases.

4. *Selected Clean Steel*

ViterPaq EP can be applied directly to cold reduced steel of high cleanliness. It must be stressed that the clean steel grade selected must be visibly free from grease, oil, liquid and solid contaminants.

Assessment of Substrate Cleanliness

Graphite contaminant to the steel can be quickly measured using a Smoke Stain Reflectometer (ex Diffusion Systems Ltd). A strip of sellotape is stuck to the steel and then removed together with attached contaminant. This tape is then attached to a clean white paper and the dirt attached is measured against a clean sellotape reference. A reading of not less than 80% is taken as acceptable.

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The detection of oil and grease contaminants is difficult to identify by a simple robust technique. The performance of the cured lacquer on the steel, however, can indicate if there is contamination on the steel substrate. The following performance test can be carried out on the cured lining lacquer on the proposed steel substrate.

ViterPaq EP should be applied to the dry film thickness of 15 – 20 microns. Stove as per recommendation.

- i. *Film appearance* – The stoved coating should be free from all visible film faults such as pinholing, cratering and cissing.
- ii. *Flexibility* – Resistance to impact. Either a Gardener 1G 1120 or sheen 805 Impact Tester can be used to specification ASTM D2794-69 or BS3900 part E3. The test is detailed on page 5 under Product Specification. The impact sustained on the reverse side should show no visible damage to the coating.
- iii. *Adhesion* – To the film carry out a cross cut through the lacquer to the bare steel with sellotape pull. No lacquer should be removed from the steel.

Application of ViterPaq EP

ViterPaq EP can be applied by conventional or hot airless spray. The lacquer can be thinned if required using Thinners 1738 (4026 321). This adjustment will depend on the equipment and conditions used. For further information, please contact Axalta Coating Systems Technical Desk on 0121 524 2245.

Dry Film Thickness of Lining Lacquer

The recommended dry film thickness for ViterPaq EP is 15 – 20 microns. The film must be continuous and free from defects such as cissing and pinholes.

The dry film thickness refers to the film weight above the steel. It is stressed that a heavier lacquer application will be required over abrasive/grit blasted steel to achieve the necessary film thickness over the “peaks” of the profile.

Stoving Schedules for ViterPaq EP

The curing time depends on the peak metal temperature. This related to the efficiency of the oven. Cure time and temperature can also vary with the film thickness of the lacquer applied.

The following stoving times are applicable for ViterPaq EP :

Peak Metal Temperature (°C)	Time at the peak temperature for minimum cure (minutes)	Time at the peak temperature for optimum cure (minutes)
185	20	30
200	10	15
215	8	10
230	4	6

These figures are a guide to cure the lining lacquer. It is recommended that oven conditions are set after testing of coating performance on-line by Axalta Coating Systems Technical Service.

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PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

Name	ViterPaq EP	
Reference	3803 series	
Description	The lacquer consists of a blend of epoxy and phenolic resins. The pigments are high quality inert oxides with carbon black used in grey products.	
Colour Range	Grey	3803 205
	Golden Brown	3803 501
	Red Oxide	3803 301
	Buff	3803 502

PROPERTIES OF WET LACQUER

ViterPaq EP will be supplied free from visible impurities and should show no signs gelation, structure or skinning. There should be no settlement.

Supply viscosity	75 – 85 seconds BSB4 cup @25°C.
Volume solids	33 ± 3% varies with colour
Weight Solids	44 ± 3% varies with colour
VOC	603 ± 30 gm/lit varies with colour
Specific Gravity	0.75 – 1.05
Opacity	The opacity of the lacquer should be such as to give good hiding at a dry film thickness of 15 microns.
Flash Point	35°C (Abel Flash Point Apparatus).
Shelf Life	The lacquers will remain suitable for their intended use for a minimum of twelve months when stored in the original unopened containers under temperate climate conditions.

PROPERTIES OF STOVED LACQUER

Prior to supply, the lining lacquers will have undergone a series of dry film tests detailed below. For test purposes a dry film thickness of 10 - 15 microns, spray applied to a 1mm gauge of clean mild steel panel and stoved to the recommended schedule (10 minutes at 200°C peak metal temperature) would be tested.

Appearance

The stoved coating should be free from all visible film faults such as cratering, cissing and pinholing.

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Flexibility – Resistance to Impact

Tested by Gardener IG 1120 Impact Tester – using a 5/8” ball, 4 lbs weight – impact 200 kg/cm. Tests carried out on the reverse side of the test panels should show no visible damage to the lacquer film.

The test can also be carried out with the Sheen Impact Tester N° 805 to BS3900 Part E3. Using 3mm washers the impact is 270 kg/cm. Impact on the reverse side of the test panel should show no visible damage to the lacquer film.

Cure of Film – Pencil Hardness

Apply lamb’s wool cloth wetted with acetone to the surface of the film for 5 minutes. Then test the surface by the Pencil Hardness Test. The film should, under these test conditions, pass a minimum of 4H.

Solvent Resistance Test – Acetone Rub

A piece of lamb’s wool cloth soaked in acetone is rubbed vigorously back and forth across the lacquer film, applying steady pressure. There should be no lacquer removal after 100 double rubs. This test can also be used with methyl ethyl ketone instead of acetone; a similar result on coating performance is achieved.

DIRECT CONTACT WITH FOODSTUFFS

ViterPaq EP is formulated to comply with the appropriate Section 175.300 of the regulations issued by the US Food and Drug Administration covering materials permitted to be in contact with food.

The product is unsuitable for contact with food in the form in which it is supplied. It is only when applied and cured in accordance with our recommendations to meet the performance standards agreed with our customers that it can be safely used in contact with food.

The lining lacquers have been satisfactorily used in contact with certain foods. Our products are controlled to ensure that this level of performance is maintained. The acceptability of a given lacquer for packing a specific food should be established by the customer under practical conditions.

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Tables of Resistance Tests

The attached tables indicate the resistance to a range of chemicals for ViterPaq EP.

The data has been compiled from laboratory tests (conducted at room temperature and 40°C), package trials and from drum coatings in everyday use. The maximum chemical resistance of these lacquers will be achieved only if the correct procedure for surface preparation, application and cure are adhered to. This information is given in the Product Information Sheet.

It is the responsibility of the user to be satisfied that the lacquer lined drum or container is suitable for the proposed cargo.

Please note that the term 'discontinued' means that the tests were carried out for 9 or 12 months with all results satisfactory. The test was then discontinued.

VITERPAQ EP - RESISTANCE TESTING

Product Under Test	Satisfactory Time of Test (months)	Comments/Results
Acetal	6	9 months slight cracking
Acetic Acid (3%)/Sodium Chloride (5%) – Pickle solution	12	Discontinued
Acetic Acid (10%)	12	Slight cracking
Acetic Acid (50%)	6	9 months blistered
Acetone	12	Slight softening
Acetone Cyanohydrin	9	Discontinued
Acid Activator	12	Discontinued
Acid Activator	4	5 months blistered
Acid Butyl Phosphate	12	Discontinued
Acrylic Acid	9	Discontinued
Acrylic Emulsion AC55	12	Discontinued
Amyl Acetate	12	Discontinued
O-Anisidine	5	6 months slight softening
Armeen DMCD	12	Discontinued
Armosol H	12	Discontinued
Astol H	12	Slight discolouration
Benzene	12	Discontinued
Benzene Sulphonyl Chloride	6	9 months film lifted
Benzoyl Chloride	12	Discontinued
Breon Latex V6480	12	Discontinued
Brine (10%)	12	Discontinued
Butakon Latices ML501	6	Samples gelled
Butakon Latices ML590	9	Samples gelled
Butakon Latices SL101	9	Samples gelled
150 Butanol	12	Discontinued
Butyl Acetate	12	Discontinued
Iso-Butyl Methacrylate	12	Discontinued
n-Butyl Methacrylate	12	Discontinued
Calamine Cream	12	Discontinued
Calaroc MB	12	Discontinued
Calatac UB	12	Discontinued
Gasoline Oil HS	12	Discontinued
Caprylic Acid	12	Discontinued
Carbon tetrachloride	12	Discontinued

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Product Under Test	Satisfactory Time of Test (months)	Comments/Results
Carboxylic Acid (C7-C20 branched)	12	Discontinued
Carbowax PEG350	12	Discontinued
Carbowax PEG550	12	Discontinued
Cereclor (all grades)	12	Discontinued
Chloroform	12	Discontinued
Choline Chloride	12	Discontinued
Cirrasol ACN	12	Discontinued
Cirrasolxl	12	Discontinued
Citric Acid (25% & 50%)	12	Discontinued
Citroflex	12	Discontinued
Coconut oil fatty acid	12	Discontinued
Corvis P65/54	12	Discontinued
Cresylic Acid	12	Discontinued
Daltogen 50	12	Discontinued
Iso-Decanoic Acid	12	Discontinued
Deoxidine	12	Discontinued
Dettol	12	Discontinued
Diallyl Phthalate	12	Discontinued
Dibutyl Fumarate	12	Discontinued
o-Dichloro benzene	6	Discontinued
Diethanolamine	12	Discontinued
Diethyl Carbonate	12	Discontinued
Diethyl Phthalate	12	Discontinued
Diethylene Glycol	12	Discontinued
Dimethyl Ethanolamine	12	Discontinued
Dimethyl Fumarate	12	Discontinued
Diphenyl Oxide	12	Discontinued
Dipropylene Glycol	12	Discontinued
Dispersion 190	12	Discontinued
Empicol SLE2	12	Discontinued
Empicol TA	12	Discontinued
Ethanolamine	5	6 months blisters
Ethyl Acetate	12	Discontinued
Ethylene Dibromide	12	Discontinued
Ethylene Glycol	12	Discontinued
2-ethyl Hexyl Methacrylate	12	Discontinued
2-Ethoxy Ethyl Methacrylate	12	Discontinued
Fertiliser (liquid chrysanthamum)	12	Discontinued
Formalin	9	Sample Solid
Formic Acid (25%)	12	Discontinued
Furfural	12	Discontinued
Gluconic Acid	12	Discontinued
Gramoxone	12	Discontinued
Hybrazine Hydrate (64% solid)	12	Discontinued
Hydrochloric Acid (1%)	12	Discontinued
Hydrochloric Acid (25%)	3	4 months blistered
Hydroxy Ethyl Methacrylate	12	Discontinued
Kephos 253	12	Slight surface defect
Kilsan	12	Discontinued
Lactic Acid (80%)	12	Discontinued
Lauryl Methacrylate	12	Discontinued

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Product Under Test	Satisfactory Time of Test (months)	Comments/Results
Lissapol D	12	Discontinued
Lissapol NX	12	Discontinued
Lubrol MOA	12	Discontinued
Metaldehyde	12	Discontinued
Methacrylate Acid	6	Discontinued
Methanol	12	Discontinued
Methanol/water 1/1	12	Discontinued
Methyl iso-butyl Ketone	12	Discontinued
Methyl Cellosolve	12	Discontinued
Methyl Ethyl Ketone	12	Discontinued
Methyl Nadic anhydride	12	Discontinued
Methylated Spirits	12	Discontinued
Methylene Chloride	12	Discontinued
Morpholine salt of P-toluene Sulphonic Acid	12	Discontinued
Nansa 100 Liquid	6	Sample solidified
Nansa 55 Paste	12	Discontinued
Neoprene Latex	12	Discontinued
Nitrocellulose – Butanol damped	12	Discontinued
Nitrocellulose - IPS damped	12	Discontinued
2-Nitrotoluene	12	Discontinued
Nonyl Phenol 10 ethoxylate	12	Discontinued
Nonyl Phenol 14 Ethoxylate	12	Discontinued
Iso-Octanoic Acid	12	Discontinued
Octyl Phenol 10 Ethoxylate	12	Discontinued
Octyl Phenol 14 Ethoxylate	12	Discontinued
Oleic Acid	12	Discontinued
Paraplex G41	12	Discontinued
Paraplex G60	12	Discontinued
Perlargononic Acid	12	Discontinued
Petrol	12	Discontinued
Perchloroethylene	12	Discontinued
Phosphoric Acid	12	Discontinued
Poly-EM (Spencer) pH 7.9	12	Discontinued
Poly-EM (Spencer) pH 10.45	12	Discontinued
Potassium Silicate	12	Discontinued
Propionic Acid	12	Discontinued
Iso-propyl Acetate	12	Discontinued
Iso-propyl Alcohol	12	Discontinued
Iso-propyl Nitrate	12	Discontinued
Propylene Dichloride	12	Discontinued
Propylene Glycol	12	Discontinued
Racasan	12	Discontinued
Shell DD Soil Fumigant	12	5 months film lifted
Fluids and Surfactants (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Resins (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Elastomers (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Grease (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Silocel (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Silcodyne H (range of products)	12	Discontinued

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Product Under Test	Satisfactory Time of Test (months)	Comments/Results
Silcolapse Antifoams (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Silcolease (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Silcoloid (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Silcoset (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Catalyst of Silicones (range of products)	12	Discontinued
Sistan	12	Discontinued
Sodium Chlorate	12	Discontinued
Sodium Hydroxide Pellets	12	Discontinued
Sodium Hydroxide solution 5%	12	Discontinued
Sodium Hydroxide solution 25%	12	Discontinued
Sodium Peroxide	12	Discontinued
Sodium Silicate	12	Discontinued
Soya Bean Oil	12	Discontinued
Stergene	12	Discontinued
Sulphuric Acid 10%	12	Discontinued
Sulphuric Acid 25%	12	Discontinued
Teepol	12	Discontinued
Tensol Cement	3	4 months slightly soft
Tetralon A (EDTA solution)	6	Sample solid
Thermex	12	Discontinued
Toluol	12	Discontinued
Topane	3	Discontinued
Topanol OL	3	Discontinued
Trichloroethylene	12	Discontinued
Triethanolamine	12	Discontinued
Triethylene Glycol	12	Discontinued
Trpropylene Glycol	12	Discontinued
Trilene	12	Discontinued
Vandike 4010	12	Discontinued
Vinacryl 400	12	Discontinued
Vinyl Acetate Monomer	12	Discontinued
Vulcafor VHM	12	Discontinued
Water - distilled	12	Discontinued
Water – tap - Slough	12	Discontinued
Waxol HE	12	Discontinued
Waxol PA	12	Discontinued
Weedazol TL	12	Discontinued
Zerox	12	Discontinued

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