

Hempel's Conversion Primer

Product characteristics

Description

Hempel's Conversion Primer is a two component epoxy to enable easy conversion from antifouling to Hempel's advanced biocide-free fouling protection. Can be applied on previously painted antifouling in good condition.

Recommended use

For use as a conversion primer over antifouling to secure adhesion of Hempel's biocide-free products. Use as a tiecoat between an epoxy primed surface and Hempaspeed TF.

Product safety

Flash point 31°C [88°F]

VOC content mixed product

Legislation	Value	
EU	543 g/L [4.53 lb/US gal]	

According to specific legislation, see details in the Explanatory Notes available at Hempel website, hempel.com or at your local Hempel website.

Handling

Handle with care. Before and during use, observe safety labels on packaging and paint containers and follow all local and national safety regulations. Always consult Hempel's Safety Data Sheet for this product along with the Product Data Sheet.

Product data

Product code

45441

Product components Base 45445 Curing agent 95441

Standard shade / code Light pink 50711

Gloss

Flat

Volume solids

36 ± 2%

Specific gravity

1.2 kg/L [10 lb/US gal]

Reference dry film thickness

25 micron [1.0 mils]

Surface preparation

Cleanliness

 Remove oil, grease and other contaminants by suitable detergent cleaning.

New build:

- Not for uncoated surfaces.
- Uncoated surface: Prepare bare substrates according to Hempel's primer instruction.

Maintenance and Repair

- Previously coated surface: Use a metal scraper to determine whether the aged antifouling adheres sufficiently. In case of bad adhesion, remove all loose/brittle layers.
- Abrade with wet abrasive paper.
- Rinse the surface with fresh water.
- Clean and dry the surface.
- Areas with filler to be sealed with primer/sealer.



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Application

Mixing ratio

Base 45445 : Curing agent 95441

(3:1 by volume)

Stir the Base, add Curing Agent and mix well. Allow mixed paint to rest for several minutes before use to allow air bubbles to escape.

Thinner

No thinning

Cleaner

Hempel's Thinner 845 08451

Pot life

Product temperature	20°C [68°F]	
Pot life	8 hours	

Application method

Tool	Thinning max vol.	Application parameters
Brush/Roller	No thinning	Not Applicable.

Do not dilute the components separately - only the mixture. The product can be applied by spray. Contact Hempel for more information.

Film thickness

	Recommended
Dry film thickness	25 micron [1.0 mils]
Wet film thickness	70 micron [2.5 mils]
Theoretical spreading rate	15 m²/L [610 sq ft/US gal]

Application conditions

 Surface temperature must be above 10°C [50°F] during application and curing.

Relative Humidity:

- Relative humidity must be below 85% during drying and curing.

Application remarks

- Previously coated surface: Apply 1 full coat undiluted.
- Be aware that the product has a very low viscosity and any runs and sags should be brushed out immediately.
- Overcoat with Hempel's advanced biocide free fouling protection products.

Drying and overcoating

Product compatibility

 Subsequent coat: Recommended products are: Hempel's Silic One Tiecoat, Hempaspeed TF

Drying time

Surface temperature		10°C [50°F]	20°C [68°F]	30°C [86°F]
Hard dry	hours	2½	1¼	1/2
Ready to sand	hours	-	2	-
Fully cured	days	14	7	4

Determined for dry film thickness 25 micron [1.0 mils] at standard conditions, see Hempel's Explanatory Notes for details.

Overcoating

Hempel's specification supersedes any guidelines indicated in the overcoating table

	20°C [68°F]	30°C [86°F]	
Immersion			
Min	120 min	90 min	
Max	4 h	3 h	
Min	120 min	60 min	
Max	4 h	120 min	
Min	30 min	30 min	
Max	3 h	120 min	
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Drying conditions

- To obtain the drying time stated, it is important to maintain sufficient ventilation during application, drying and curing.
- Condensation on the freshly applied coating should be avoided.



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Overcoating details

 If the maximum overcoating interval is exceeded, roughening of the surface is necessary to ensure intercoat adhesion.

Other remarks

- The surface must be clean before overcoating.

Storage

Storage conditions

- The curing agent is sensitive to moisture. Store in a dry place and keep the can tightly closed until use.
- Temperature must not go below 5°C [41°F] during transport and storage.

Additional documents

Additional information is available at the Hempel website hempel.com or at your local Hempel website:

- Explanatory Notes explaining the fields in this Product Data Sheet.
- Surface Preparation Guidelines.
- Application Guidelines for different application methods.
- Further information: Hempel Yacht Paint Manual and hempelyacht.com

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2.	Specification	Only issued for specific projects
3.	PDS	This document
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