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# Hempadur Avantguard 750 Pro 1737G: BASE 1737U WITH CURING AGENT 98371

#### For product description, refer to product data sheet HEMPADUR Avantguard 750 PRO

Scope:

The Application Instruction cover surface preparation, application equipment and application details for Hempadur Avantguard 750 Pro

Steel work:The steel shall preferably be Rust Grade A or B according to ISO 8501-1. The use of steel with Rust Grade<br/>C requires tighter inspection of surface profile after blasting as well as of possible salt contamination.

The steel surface shall be thoroughly prepared so that the coating achieves an even distribution at the specified nominal dry film thickness of 50 - 100 micron (please refer to the specifications) and has adequate adhesion. The final steel condition including welds and edges shall conform to preparation grade P2, ISO 8501-3: "Preparation of steel substrates before application of paints and related products - Visual assessment of surface cleanliness".

Surface preparation: General: In order to obtain best performance, abrasive blast cleaning is recommended.

**Abrasive blasting/abrasive sweep blasting:** Before blasting any deposits of grease or oil must be removed from the steel surface with a suitable detergent followed by high pressure fresh water cleaning. Minor spots of oil/grease may be cleaned with thinner and clean rags - avoid smearing out the contamination. Possible alkali weld deposits, chemicals used for testing of welds, soap residues from the pressure testing must be removed by fresh water hosing. Abrasive blasting to Sa 2½ (ISO 8501-1:2007) with a sharp-edged surface profile corresponding to Rugotest No. 3, BN10a-b, Keane-Tator Comparator, 2.0 G/S, 2 S, or ISO Comparator, Medium (G).

**Spot-repairs:** Clean damaged areas thoroughly by power tool cleaning to minimum St 3 or by abrasive blasting to minimum Sa 2, preferably Sa 2½. As an alternative, water jetting to minimum Wa 2 (ISO 8501-4:2006) may be used or according to specification. A flash rust degree of maximum M (atmospheric exposure) (ISO 8501-4:2006) is acceptable before application. Feather edges to sound and intact areas. Brush off loose material. Touch up to full film thickness.

**Compatibility:** HEMPADUR Avantguard 750 Pro can be used in connection with other generic paint systems. Contact HEMPEL for further information.

### Application equipment: Recommended airless spray equipment:

Pump ratio:	min 45:1
Pump output:	12 litres/minute (theoretical)
Input pressure:	min. 6 bar/90 psi
	max. 100 metres/300 feet, ½" internal diameter max. 30 metres/100 feet, 3/8" internal diameter max. 6 metres/20 feet, 1/4" internal diameter
Filter:	minimum mesh size 250 μm/ 10 mil
Regular surfaces:	Complicated surfaces (and touch up):
Nozzle size: .017"021"	Nozzle size: .017"021"
Fan angle: 60°	Fan angle: 40°

After finishing the application, clean the equipment immediately with HEMPEL'S TOOL CLEANER 99610.

**Note:** Increasing hose diameter may ease paint flow thereby improving the spray fan. If longer hoses are necessary it may be necessary to raise the pump ratio to 60:1, maintaining the high output capacity of the pump.

Alternatively up to approximately 5-10% THINNER 08450 may be added, but thinning must be done with care as the maximum obtainable film thickness is reduced significantly by over-thinning.

Note: If can size is above 10 litres and more than 6 months after production date, a thoroughly stirring is required before application

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**Spray application:** Film-build/continuity: With this paint material applied in one coat a continuous, pinhole-free paint film should be obtained. An application technique which will ensure good film formation on all surfaces should be adopted. It is very important to use nozzles of the correct size, not too big, and to have a proper, uniform distance of the spray gun to the surface, 30-50 cm should be aimed at. Furthermore, great care must be taken to cover edges, openings, rear sides of stiffeners etc. Thus, on these areas application of a stripe coat will therefore be good painting practice. To obtain good and steady atomizing, the viscosity of the paint must be suitable and the spray equipment must be sufficient in output pressure and capacity. At high working temperatures, use of extra thinner may be necessary to avoid dust-spray.

The paint layer must be applied homogeneously and close to the specification, even though this product has high tolerance to high dry film thickness.

The finished coating must appear as a homogeneous film and irregularities such as dust, dry spray, abrasives, should be remedied.

#### Manual Application: Avantguard 750 Pro can be applied by brush and roller. Areas can be applied with a medium lengths (nap) roller, thinning the product 5 – 10 per cent depending on temperature and employing a cross rolling pattern for uniform thickness. It is recommended to have a square roller bucket (rather than a tray) and move steadily forward always with enough paint on the roller not coming back to areas already applied – work according to a plan and specification making frequent WFT measurement at start up.

## Pot life:

Pot life is dependent on temperature – please refer to the tables below for pot life data for a 10 litre mix.

Temperature	-10°C/14°F	0°C/32°F	10°C/50°F	20°C/68°F	30°C/86°F	40°C/104°F
Pot life	6 h	3 h	2.5 h	2 h	1 h	0.45 h
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h = hour(s)

### Overcoating interval: Refer to Hempel specification

If the maximum overcoating interval is exceeded, whatever the subsequent coat, roughening of the surface is necessary to ensure optimum intercoat adhesion or in the case of overcoating with coatings other than Hempadur, apply a (thin) additional coat of a Hempadur quality within the following directions for overcoating

A completely clean surface is mandatory to ensure intercoat adhesion, especially in the case of long overcoating intervals. Any dirt, oil and grease have to be removed with e.g. suitable detergent followed b. If it is not possible to achieve the water soluble salts content because of extreme formation of "white rust" then it is recommended to remove oil, grease, etc... by detergent wash. Then use abrasive blast sweep to remove the "white rust" followed by vacuum cleaning to remove abrasive and dust. After that it is necessary to restore the zinc layer with any Avantguard product.

For a NORSOK specification, the zinc primer must not be exposed to humid or outdoor conditions and shall be overcoated with a suitable midcoat as soon as possible after within 7 days).

Water jetting may be relevant to remove any degraded surface layer and may also replace the abovementioned cleaning methods when properly executed. Consult HEMPEL for specific advice if in doubt. **Application Instructions** 



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Safety:

Handle with care. Before and during use, observe all safety labels on packaging and paint containers, consult HEMPEL Material Safety Data Sheets and follow all local or national safety regulations. Avoid inhalation, avoid contact with skin and eyes, and do not swallow. Take precautions against possible risks of fire or explosions as well as protection of the environment. Apply only in well ventilated areas.

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