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Automotive Touch up Paint

AEROSOL SPRAY CAN INSTRUCTIONS

SURFACE PREPARATION:

1. Wash surface to be painted with soap and water. Rinse thoroughly.
2. Clean surface with Wax & Grease Remover (ExpressPaint sku#: WIPE). Use a clean, lint-free towel and wipe in one direction only. Rinse with water and allow to dry.
3. Use 600 grit sandpaper, when using for larger spot repairs, sand until repair area is smooth and all gloss from existing finish has been removed. When using for small spot repair use 1000 grit to lightly sand the area smooth. Wipe off sanding dust.
4. Use Wax & Grease Remover (ExpressPaint sku#: WIPE) another time as described in step 2.
    a. If repair area is down to bare metal or plastic, then apply primer (ExpressPaint sku#MAPRI) following the instructions on the primer container.
    b. If repair area does not need primer, then proceed to "Painting Instructions".

PAINTING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. **** VERY IMPORTANT **** DO A "TEST PANEL". *Always test color with a test panel before painting.*
    A test panel is a way for you to test the color before you proceed. You can test the coverage, the dry time, and the **color accuracy.** Paint gets darker with each coat, so this is where you determine how many coats to apply also. Compare the test panel to the color you are trying to achieve in the direct sunlight to determine if the color is a proper match. **Do not proceed to the next step until your test panel is complete and the color on the test panel is the color you desire.** We have provided a sprayout card with your order for this purpose, or a scrap piece of metal works well.
2. **3-STAGE COLORS (BASE/MID OR TOP COAT/CLEARCOAT)**
    a. If your color is a 3-stage color, (base, top or mid coat, clearcoat) apply one even, wet coat of the base. Allow to dry for 10-15 minutes. Apply a second coat in the same manor. Allow to dry for 10-15 minutes. Inspect painted area to be certain paint is even and has thorough coverage.
    b. Allow 10-15 minutes before applying your top or mid coat. Using your sprayout or test panel as a guide to the required amount of coats, apply light even coats of the mid or top coat waiting 10-15 minutes between coats. Once desired color is achieved, do not add any additional coats.
    c. Allow paint to dry for 15-45 minutes before performing step 5.
3. **2-STAGE COLORS (COLORCOAT/CLEARCOAT)** (**Most of colors are 2-stage)**
    a. Apply one even, wet coat of the colorcoat. Allow to dry for 10-15 minutes. Apply a second coat following the same procedure.
    b. Inspect area to see if paint is applied evenly and thoroughly. If additional coats are needed for darker coloration, wait 10-15 minutes between coats. Using your sprayout or test panel as a guide to achieve desired color.
    c. Allow paint to dry for 15-45 minutes before performing step 5.
4. **2-STAGE COLORS (LOW-GLOSS OR MATTE FINISHES)** →(**Common among vintage vehicles)**
    a. Apply one even coat of the colorcoat. Allow to dry for 10-15 minutes. Apply a second coat following the same procedure.
    b. Inspect area to see if paint is applied evenly and thoroughly. Apply additional coats as needed using your sprayout or test panel as a guide to achieve desired color.
    c. Allow paint to dry for 15-45 minutes before performing step 5.
5. Apply 2-3 medium coats of appropriate clearcoat (UCA-150 or KK7 for standard paints, "eggshell" clearcoat for matte finishes) to the painted area. Allow to dry for 10 minutes.

➢ Do not sand between colorcoats or before clearcoat.
➢ Wetsanding can be done 3-5 days after paintjob has been completed. Waxing may be done in 2-3 weeks.
➢ If paint looks dull or hazy after final clearcoat, there is a slight amount of moisture causing the dullness. After clearcoat is thoroughly dry (5+ days), polishing or buffing compound will restore the gloss.
➢ **Read instructions completely before painting; if you have any questions call us before painting!!**