# SUPER SPEC®

## LATEX ENAMEL UNDERCOATER & PRIMER SEALER K253

## Features

- Ideal for sealing a variety of porous and non-uniform surfaces, including wallboard
- Excellent holdout
- Same day topcoat
- Performs equally well underneath either Benjamin Moore's latex or solvent-based paints
- Easy to apply, spatter resistant, rapid dry for quick recoating, and soap and water cleanup

## General Description

An acrylic blended latex primer designed for multiple uses.

## Recommended For

For new or previously painted drywall construction, composition board, non bleeding woods and concrete.

## Limitations

- Not recommended for use on bare metal.
- Do not apply when air and surface temperatures are below 10 °C (50 °F)

## Product Information

### Colours — Standard:

White (00)

(May be tinted with up to 2.0 fl. oz. of Benjamin Moore® Colour Preview® or Gennex® colorants per 3.79 L)

### — Tint Bases:

None

### — Special Colours:

Contact your Benjamin Moore representative

### Certifications & Qualifications:

**VOC compliant in all regulated areas**

Class A (0-25) over non-combustible surfaces when tested in accordance with ASTM E-84

Master Painter Institute MPI # 50

### Customer Information Centre:

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| Technical Data◊ | | White |
|---|---|---|
| Vehicle Type | | Acrylic Blended Latex |
| Pigment Type | | Titanium Dioxide |
| Volume Solids | | 41% |
| Coverage per 3.79 L at Recommended Film Thickness | | 37.2 – 46.5 sq. m. (400 – 500 sq. ft.) |
| Recommended Film Thickness | – Wet | 3.1 – 3.9 mils |
| | – Dry | 1.3 – 1.6 mils |
| Depending on surface texture and porosity. Be sure to estimate the right amount of paint for the job. This will ensure colour uniformity and minimize the disposal of excess paint. | | |
| Dry Time @ 25 °C (77 °F) @ 50% RH | – To Touch | 30 Minutes |
| | – To Recoat | 1 – 2 Hours |
| High humidity and cool temperatures will result in longer dry, recoat and service times | | |
| Dries By | | Evaporation, Coalescence |
| Viscosity | | 85 ± 3 KU |
| Flash Point | | None |
| Gloss / Sheen | | Flat |
| Surface Temperature at Application | – Min. | 10 °C (50 °F) |
| | – Max | 32.2 °C (90 °F) |
| Thin With | | Clean Water |
| Clean Up Thinner | | Clean Water |
| Weight Per 3.79 L | | 5.5 kg (12.1 lbs) |
| Storage Temperature | – Min. | 4.4 °C (40 °F) |
| | – Max | 32.2 °C (90 °F) |

**Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)**

63.2 g/L

◊Reported values are for White. Contact Benjamin Moore for values of other bases or colours.

## Surface Preparation

Surfaces to be painted must be clean, dry, and free of dirt, dust, grease, oil, soap, wax, scaling paint, water soluble materials, and mildew. Remove any peeling or scaling paint and sand these areas to feather edges smooth with adjacent surfaces. Glossy areas should be dulled. Drywall surfaces must be free of sanding dust.

New plaster or masonry surfaces must be allowed to cure (30 -60 days) before applying base coat. Cured plaster should be hard, have as light sheen and maximum pH of 10; soft, porous or powdery plaster indicates improper cure. Never sand a plaster surface; knife off any protrusions and prime plaster before and after applying patching compound. Poured or pre-cast concrete with a very smooth surface should be etched or abraded to promote adhesion, after removing all form release agents and curing compounds. Remove any powder or loose particles before priming.

**Difficult Substrates:** Benjamin Moore offers a number of specialty primers for use over difficult substrates such as bleeding woods, grease, crayon markings, hard glossy surfaces, galvanized metal, or other substrates where paint adhesion or stain suppression is a particular problem. Your Benjamin Moore retailer can recommend the right problem-solving primer for your special needs.

**WARNING!** If you scrape, sand, or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by logging onto Health Canada @ https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/environmental-workplace-health/environmental-contaminants/lead/lead-information-package-some-commonly-asked-questions-about-lead-human-health.html

## Primer/Finish Systems

New surfaces should be fully primed, and previously painted surfaces may be primed or spot primed as necessary For best hiding results, tint the primer to the approximate shade of the finish coat, especially when a significant colour change is desired. **Special Note:** Certain custom colours require a Deep Colour Base Primer tinted to a special prescription formula to achieve the desired colour. Consult your retailer.

**Wood and engineered wood products:**
**Primer:** Super Spec® Latex Enamel Undercoater & Primer Sealer (K253)
**Finish:** 1 or 2 coats of Super Spec® Interior Latex Finish

**Drywall**
**Primer:** Super Spec® Latex Enamel Undercoater & Primer Sealer (K253)
**Finish:** 1 or 2 coats of Super Spec® Interior Latex Finish

**Plaster**
**Primer:** Super Spec® Latex Enamel Undercoater & Primer Sealer (K253)
**Finish:** 1 or 2 coats of Super Spec® Interior Latex Finish

**Rough or Pitted Masonry**
**Primer**: Ultra Spec® Masonry Interior/Exterior Hi-Build Block Filler (K571)
**Finish:** 1 or 2 coats of Super Spec® Interior Latex Finish

**Smooth Poured or Precast Concrete**
**Primer:** Fresh Start® Multi-Purpose Latex Primer (F023)
**Finish:** 1 or 2 coats of Super Spec® Interior Latex Finish

**Repaint, All Substrates:** Prime bare areas with the primer recommended for the substrate above.

## Application

Stir thoroughly before use. Apply by brush, roller, or spray. Apply generously using overlapping strokes, brushing or rolling from unpainted into painted areas.

Apply before and after filling nail holes, cracks, and other surface imperfections. Sand smooth when dry.

This product can also be sprayed.

**Spray, Airless:** Fluid Pressure: 1500 – 2500
Tip: .013 - .017

## Thinning/Cleanup

Thinning is unnecessary, but if required to obtain desired application properties, a small amount of clean water may be added. Never add other paints or solvents.

**Cleanup:** Clean brushes, rollers and other painting tools in warm soapy water after use. Spray equipment should be given a final rinse with mineral spirits to prevent rusting.

**USE COMPLETELY OR DISPOSE OF PROPERLY.** Dry empty containers may be recycled in a can recycling program. Local disposal requirements vary; consult your sanitation department or provincial environmental agency on disposal options.

## Environmental, Health & Safety Information

**Use only in a well ventilated area**. Keep container closed when not in use. In case of spillage, absorb with inert material and dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Wash thoroughly after handling.

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**
**PROTECT FROM FREEZING**

**Refer to Safety Data Sheet for additional health and safety information.**

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