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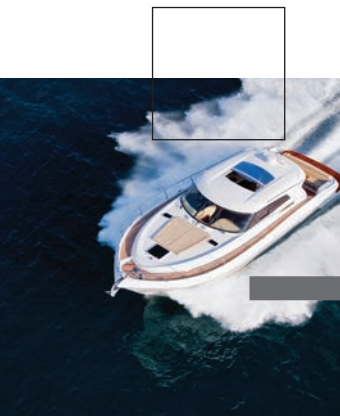
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SUMMARY



Nautix

Nautix paints meet the high standards for technology, performance and aesthetics.

Nautix is recognised as a leader in marine paints for ocean racing, and maintains close relationships with skippers and racing teams. Nautix paints meet the specific requirements of these teams for racing boat hulls: protection of the composites, decoration or non-skid paint systems, thus providing products which can be directly applied to recreational boats. Nautix offers complete paint protection systems: specific cycle for aluminium boats, prevention or curative treatments for osmosis, corrosion protection or refit of cast iron keels.

We focus on designing the right solution for each skipper for all boat types.

Nautix was created in 1980, and develops, formulates and manufactures marine paints.

#Nautix Paints solutions

Internal studies carried out by our laboratories have allowed for research and development of our own technical solutions. The formulas are then tested "in situ" in static and dynamic conditions on various supports around the world, and also on boats with specific sailing programmes.

Nautix offers a range of **exclusive and innovative products** to cover the specific needs of construction sites and individuals.

Since 1994, Nautix has created numerous national and international collaborative basic research programmes, including universities and large companies. These programmes have resulted in scientific publications, and have led to a better understanding of the development of fouling and created new technical orientations.

In 2017, Nautix teamed up with Université de Bretagne Sud (University of Southern Brittany) and the Marine Biotechnology and Chemistry Laboratory (LBCM) to create the joint laboratory SAFER, Eco-friendly antifouling solutions (Solution Anti Fouling Eco Responsable). This laboratory is supported by the French National Research Agency (Agence Nationale de la Recherche), and aims to analyse the environmental impact of existing or recently introduced solutions and to develop alternative and sustainable solutions for the future.

Nautix recommendations

Before you start painting

1



Download the technical data sheets for the paints you are applying from www.nautix.com.

2



Calculate the surface to be painted and the quantity of paint required, check for drying and recoat times.

3



Also check the weather conditions and in particular the temperature of the substrate, the ambient air and the products.
(do not exceed a difference of 3°C between the three variables to avoid condensation).

4



Prepare your work area. A clean environment around your boat improves the quality of your work.

5



Work in a well ventilated area. Wear appropriate protective gear: coveralls, gloves, a respirator and goggles.

Calculate the surface of your boat's hull

■ Sailing boat

$$\left[\text{Hull} \times \left(\text{Deck} + \text{Cabin} \right) \right] \times 0,7 = \text{Surface (m}^2\text{)}$$

■ Power boat

$$\text{Hull} \times \left(\text{Deck} + \text{Cabin} \right) = \text{Surface (m}^2\text{)}$$

Tip: Apply an extra coat at the waterline and on the appendages.

Preparing the substrate: a critical step

Careful preparation of the surface is the prerequisite for a successful paint job.

Wash the surface with clean water, degrease if necessary. Then prepare the surface to be painted with 80-120 grit abrasive. Never dry sand antifouling systems to avoid inhaling dust. Use a clean cloth soaked in SD Nautix solvent degreaser for the last cleaning treatment before painting.

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Mixing paint properly

Antifouling compounds are heavy and can settle at the bottom of the can, therefore it is important to mix the paint by stirring it with an electrical mixer for 4 minutes. For a two-component paint, stir the two components separately before adding the hardener to the base. Allow the mixture to stand for 10 minutes before application. A thinner can be added after mixing, if necessary.

Antifoulings

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	A3 YACHTING	A4 YACHTING	A1	A7 T.SPEED	A8	PERFORMER YACHTING	MARIN YACHTING
MAIN FEATURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ablative • For sailboats and motorboats up to 30 knots or afloat all year round • High performance antifouling • Heavy fouling areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard matrix • For fast sailboats and motorboats (>30 knots) or those that run aground • High performance antifouling • Heavy fouling areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed matrix • For aluminium boats • For any type of construction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard matrix • For propeller and Z-drive • Available in can or spray 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard matrix • For inflatable boats 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard or ablative matrix • Multipurpose antifouling for sailboats, fishing boats and powerboats in the water • Medium fouling areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed matrix • Multipurpose antifouling for sailboats, fishing boats and powerboats in the water • Low fouling areas
COVERAGE M²/L	10	10	10	10 - (2 in spray)	10	10	10
COATS RECOMMENDED	2	2	2	4 - (5 to 6 with spray)	2	2	2
COLOURS							
PACKAGING	0.75L / 2.5L	0.75L / 2.5L	0.75L / 2.5L / 20L	0.35L / 0.5L (spray) / 0.75L / 2.5L	0.75L	0.75L / 2.5L	0.75L / 2.5L
THINNER	DA	DA	DA	DA	DA	DA	DA
SUBSTRATE	GRP Wood Steel	GRP Wood Steel	GRP Wood Aluminium	Aluminium Bronze Stainless steel	Inflatable Gelcoat GRP Aluminium	GRP Wood Steel	GRP Wood Steel

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Antifouling for professionals

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	A3 FORMULA + A3 WHITE	A4 FORMULA + A4 WHITE	A88 FORMULA +	PERFORMER PRO	PRO YACHTING PRO WHITE	A9000 SPC
MAIN FEATURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-polishing • For sailboats and motorboats up to 30 knots afloat all year round • Reinforced efficiency against fouling • Heavy fouling areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard matrix • For fast sailboats and motorboats (>30 knots) or those that run aground • Reinforced efficiency against fouling • Heavy fouling areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed matrix • Suitable for speedboats, sailing boats and superyachts • Reinforced efficiency against fouling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed matrix • Multipurpose antifouling for sailboats and powerboats up to 30 knots • Reinforced efficiency against fouling • Medium fouling areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed matrix • For sailboats and motorboats. • Low fouling areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-polishing copolymer • Very long lasting antifouling for sailboats, motorboats and superyachts up to 25 knots • Ideal for long distance sailing
COVERAGE M ² /L	10	10	10	10	10	10
COATS RECOMMENDED	2	2	2	2	2	2
COLOURS						
PACKAGING	White: 0.75L, 2.5L, 20L Others: 2.5L, 5L, 20L	White: 0.75L, 2.5L, 20L Others: 2.5L, 5L, 20L	2.5L / 5L / 20L	5L / 20L	5L / 20L	5L
THINNER	DA	DA	DA	DA	DA	DA
SUBSTRATE	GRP Wood Steel	GRP Wood Steel	GRP Wood Steel	GRP Wood Steel	GRP Wood Steel	GRP Wood Steel

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Recommendations for Antifouling

To ensure that the antifouling paint performs as designed, select the right product for your boat and comply with the recommended quantities and the application cycle.

It is also important to note that the regulations for antifouling have considerably evolved in recent years: they are now very strict and require manufacturers to control the environmental and toxicological impact of their paints. Choose a Nautix paint to make sure you are using a product whose impact is measured, assessed and considered acceptable by national and European environmental agencies.

A few tips:

- For overcoating, apply a barrier coat of our P1 primer over unknown or incompatible antifouling paints.
- Never apply a hard matrix antifouling over an ablative paint.
- Nautix antifouling paints are compatible with most antifouling paints on the market.



How to choose your antifouling

Size	SAILING BOAT	POWER BOAT
6,10 m / 20 feet	2L	2,5L
7,50 m / 25 feet	2,5L	4L
9,10 m / 30 feet	5L	6L
10,70 m / 35 feet	6L	7,5L
11, 60 m / 38 feet	7,5L	9L
12,20 m / 40 feet	8L	10L
13,50 m / 45 feet	10L	12,5L
15,80 m / 50 feet	12L	18L



How to choose your antifouling

Your sail boat is in the water all year round or your motorboat is capable of a cruising speed of less than 30 knots or your mooring area is in the current.

A3 Yachting ablative antifouling paint is recommended. An ablative paint will always be more versatile than a hard matrix, especially if the boat does not sail regularly. It is also more effective during periods of heavy fouling or in difficult harbour conditions.

Your fast cruiser, or racing boat is sponged clean regularly, your boat runs aground or is on trailer.

You need a product that is resistant to rubbing, with a hard matrix, **A4 Yachting** is the ideal solution.

Overcoating the old antifouling or sanding?

We recommend removing your old antifouling by sanding with 80-120 paper grade every year before overcoating. This allows to remove the spent resin from the old paint, improves the adhesion of the new coats and the efficiency of your boat.

Cracks or other "weaknesses" in your hull are the most obvious sign of ageing. It is preferable to consider sanding and applying a complete new cycle: primer + antifouling.

We recommend the application of a complete hull protection system (epoxy primer and antifouling) every 5 years to prevent osmosis.

Race Range



	A4 T.SPEED	A9 T.SPEED	NX SPEED	NX 194
MAIN FEATURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard matrix • Special gliding-effect antifouling for regatta boats • Requires regular maintenance • Ultra smooth surface 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard matrix / Fluorescent • Special antifouling for keel and rudders • Must be applied over white antifouling • Ultra smooth surface 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ultra glide coating for racing and dry sailing boats • Solution for dry sailing boats staying no more than 15 days in water or with minimum weekly maintenance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very hard epoxy finish for foils and rudders • Very hard and abrasion resistant • To be applied on PE epoxy primer
COVERAGE M ² /L	10	10	8	8
COLOURS				
PACKAGING	0.75L / 2.5L / 20L	0.75L	0.75L / 2L	0.75L
THINNER	DA	DA	DP	DE
SUBSTRATE	Polyester GRP Epoxy Carbon	Polyester GRP Epoxy Carbon	Polyester GRP Epoxy	Epoxy

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Nautix is actively involved in the boat and ocean racing sector (Mini, Figaro 3, Imoca, Ultim). Our close relationship with many skippers and racing teams has enabled us to understand their needs in terms of performance, efficiency, and also sponsorship and safety.

In cooperation with the preparation teams and contractors, we were the first to develop a specific range, meeting the different needs and developments of racing sailboats: primers for protection of composite materials against humidity, ultra-smooth finish for efficiency, fluorescent system for safety, reinforced adhesion solutions on difficult substrates such as stainless steel, protection of appendages against chafing (centre-boards or foils), dedicated non-skid system, etc. This collaboration allows for rapid product development with a direct impact on our product range for refit projects or yachting and fishing enthusiasts.

Impregnation and Adhesion promoters



	METAPOX	METATHANE	IA	IMPREGARD	IMPREWOOD
MAIN FEATURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adhesion promoter Strengthens the bond between the metal and the epoxy primer Provides an exclusive solution to metal bonding problems 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adhesion promoter Reinforces the cohesion between the metal and a polyurethane finish (varnish and topcoat) Offers an exclusive solution to adhesion problems on metals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pore-plugged impregnation paint for cast iron Applied in the anti-corrosion cycle just before the PA primer Easy to apply as no sanding is required after application 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impregnation of composites Solvent-free epoxy resin that reconstitutes the coating of damaged glass fibres Recommended for osmosis curative treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One-pack polyurethane impregnation resin for wood and concrete Allows to create a hard base before the application of a primer or a varnish
COVERAGE M²/L	15-20 (sand blasted surface) 20-30 (sanded substrate)	15-20 (sand blasted surface) 20-30 (sanded substrate)	14	8 (sand blasted surface) 12 (sanded substrate)	4 to 10 depending on species and surface condition
COATS RECOMMENDED	1	1	1	1 or 3 depending on surface condition	Until saturation
COLOURS	Colourless	Colourless	■	Colourless	Amber yellow
PACKAGING	0.75L	0.75L	0.35L / 0.75L	1kg / 2.5kg	0.75L / 2.5L
THINNER	Do not thin out	Do not thin out	DP	DE	DA
SUBSTRATE	Aluminium Steel Stainless steel	Aluminium Stainless steel	Cast iron	Composites Carbon fiber Marine plywood	Wood Concrete

The preparation systems before primer application allow to start with a coherent substrate for the paintwork.

Impregnations such as Impregard, Imprewood or IA are substrate microporosity fillers allowing to obtain a uniform base. Adhesion promoters, developed by Nautix, are simple and effective solutions to recurrent problems with adhesion in paint cycles on metallic substrates.

These innovative products act at the interface between the metal and the paint to enhance adhesion. Metathane reinforces the cohesion between aluminium (or stainless steel) and a polyurethane corrosion protection primer (such as our PA) or a polyurethane finish (VA2 varnish or L2 topcoat). It completes the range created by Metapox, which is an adhesion promoter between the epoxy system (Epoxygard, HPE, PE primers) and metal surfaces.

How to apply these products?

The surface must first be degreased, sanded or blasted depending on the substrate and the process selected.

It is essential to comply with the cycle for optimal cohesion between the coats.

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Primers



	EPOXYGARD	HPE	PE	P1	P0	PA	P7
MAIN FEATURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High protection epoxy primer • Long wet-wet overcoating period • Can be applied on a sound substrate in thin coats of 130 microns wet max • Can be combined with Impregard for an osmosis treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High build epoxy primer • Filling formulation (200µm in 1 coat) for protection and profile adjustment • Very easy to apply 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thin epoxy primer • Smooth film particularly suitable for the preparation of regatta hulls 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Universal primer • Interface between 2 layers of antifouling • Allows to isolate an unknown antifouling and anti-corrosive properties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Osmosis prevention and protection primer • Particularly adapted to difficult climatic conditions: cold and humidity • Strong adhesion • Long recoat time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-corrosion primer • High performance for metal • Combined with IA for cast iron keel treatment • Particularly adapted to harsh weather conditions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primer for propellers and Z-Drive bases • Apply before A7T.SPEED antifouling
COVERAGE M²/L	8,5	7-8	10	10	12	12	1,5 per spray
COATS RECOMMENDED	Protection: 5	Adhesion: 1 Protection: 3 to 5	Adhesion: 1	Adhesion: 1	Adhesion: 1 Osmosis Prevention: 5	Protection: 5	3-5
COLOURS							
PACKAGING	0.75L / 2.5L / 5L / 20L	0.75L / 2.5L / 5L / 20L	0.75L / 2.5L / 5L	0.35L / 0.75L / 2.5L / 5L	0.75L / 3L	0.75L / 3L	300mL spray
THINNER	DE	DE	DE	DP	DP	DP	DP
SUBSTRATE	Polyester GRP Steel Aluminium Epoxy	Polyester GRP Plywood Steel Aluminium Epoxy	Polyester GRP Plywood Epoxy	Polyester GRP Wood Steel Propeller	Polyester GRP	Metal Cast iron Lead	Aluminium Bronze Stainless steel

Recommendations for primers

Primers are applied first and play an important role in adhesion or protection providing high hardness or a protective barrier. The paint will not reduce small surface deformations on the substrate.

These should be corrected with coatings applied between two coats of primer.

Nautix recommends the P1 primer to create a simple adhesion on gelcoat or wood.

This easy-to-use single-component primer can also be used as an interface if you are unsure about the compatibility with your old antifouling.

Epoxy primers provide extra protection for your hull. 2 coats should be applied (hard base) and up to 5 coats for complete protection. Epoxy primers (Epoxygard, HPE, PE) are recommended when the hull is sound, the application conditions are stable and the recoat principle is known and controlled.

The PO primer features strong adhesion and protection capabilities on all substrates. It is easy to use, one coat is recommended for the adhesion of antifouling paints or 5 coats for osmosis prevention.

To protect a GRP hull



PO Primer or Epoxy Primer
5 coats

Antifouling
2 coats

To ensure adhesion to the substrate



P1 Primer
1 coat

Antifouling
2 coats

To refit a steel or aluminium hull



Metapox
Adhesion
promoter
1 coat

Epoxygard or HPE
Primer
5 coats

A1 Antifouling
2 coats

To protect a cast iron keel



IA Impregnation
1 coat

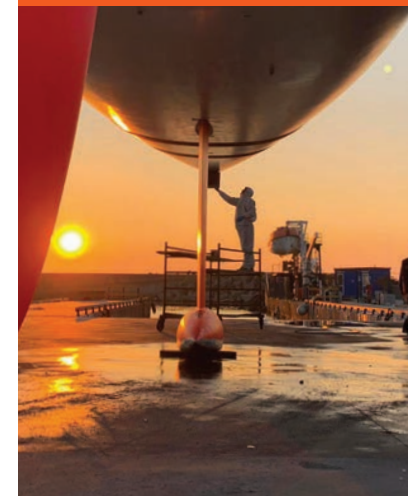
PA Primer
4 coats minimum

Watertight or
Bluefiller Epoxy
Filler
1 coat

Antifouling
2 coats




Why use a primer?

Applying a primer not only protects but also prolongs the effectiveness of your antifouling thanks to good adhesion to the substrate.



Epoxy Fillers



	BLUEFILLER	WATERTIGHT	PINHOLE FILLER
MAIN FEATURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lightweight two-component epoxy filler • Fairing for large surfaces or profiles • Can be applied below and above the waterline up to 20mm • Very easy to sand 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two-component epoxy filler • Filler for small surface defects or scratches • Very fine when sanded • Fast drying, sandable after 4h at 20°C • Can be applied above and below the waterline 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two-component epoxy filler for carbon porosity • Very fluid coating to fill microporosities on the carbon surface • Can be applied above and below the waterline • Application with a spatula
COVERAGE M²/L	1 base / 1 hardener (volume & weight)	1 base / 1 hardener (volume & weight)	1 base / 1 hardener (volume & weight)
COLOURS			
PACKAGING	5L / 30L	0.25L (tube) / 0.25L (can) / 1L / 5L	1kg
THINNER	-	-	-
SUBSTRATE	Polyester Rigid wood Aluminium Steel Epoxy	Polyester Rigid wood Aluminium Steel Epoxy	Epoxy Carbon



Fillers are used to prepare the surface of your boat, for repairing scratches, levelling out deformations and reshaping profiles. Nautix recommends the application of a filler between two coats of primer before applying the protective or top coat. Sand the filler before applying the following coats to ensure good paint adhesion. Nautix epoxy fillers are solvent-free and non-shrink. They adhere particularly well to composite materials, wood and metals. They are ideally suited for applications below and above the waterline. Nautix quick-drying fillers are very easy to mix (1:1 ratio) and to sand, and provide a smooth finish.

Topcoats and undercoats

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	L2	COOLBLACK	U2	STARLAC	UNDERCOAT	EPOXYCOAT	DB
MAIN FEATURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twin-pack polyurethane paint • Very high gloss level • Very good resistance to UV • Many colour choices • Possibility of tinted topcoats: consult us 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low heat absorption «cold» finishing paint • Black two-pack polyurethane coating 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twin-pack epoxy undercoat • Provides a clear, even base before painting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single-pack urethane topcoat • Easy to apply • Lasting shine • Tense • Good UV resistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single pack opacifying undercoat • Easy to apply • Interface primer on wood above the waterline 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Epoxy topcoat for freshwater boats • To be applied below the waterline • High resistance to friction and hydrocarbons • Can be applied over an epoxy primer such as PE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Satin bilge paint • Single-pack paint for bilges, bulkheads and lockers • High opacity • Good resistance to oil and fuel impregnation
COVERAGE M ² /L	12	12	10	14	10-12	10-12	10
COLOURS							
PACKAGING	0.75L / 2L	0.75L / 2L	0.75L / 2.5L	0.35L / 0.75L / (2.5L white only)	0.75L / 2.5L	2L	0.75L / 2.5L
THINNER	DP	DP	DE	WS	WS	DE	WS
SUBSTRATE	GRP Aluminium Marine plywood Polyester Metal Epoxy	GRP Marine plywood Polyester Steel Epoxy	GRP Polyester Wood Aluminium Steel	GRP Polyester Wood Steel	GRP Polyester Wood Steel	GRP Polyester Wood Steel	Polyester Wood GRP Steel

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Varnishes



MAIN FEATURES

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| STARWOOD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single-pack, colourless varnish • Gloss and wood protection • Marine and UV resistant • Easy to apply • Very good stretching | VA2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twin-pack colourless polyurethane varnish • Excellent durability and abrasion resistance • Marine and UV resistant • Perfect tension • High gloss • Can be applied over a two-pot topcoat to increase the depth effect |
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COVERAGE M²/L

10-12

10-12

COLOURS

Gloss/Satin

Gloss/Satin

PACKAGING

0.35L / 0.75L

0.75L / 2L

THINNER

WS

DP

SUBSTRATE

Wood

GRP
Polyester
Plywood
Steel
Epoxy

Non-skid paints



DECK GRIP

- Single-pack non-skid paint
- Ready to use
- Fine non-skid filler for an even and durable surface
- Thin coat application for a uniform finish

NAUTIX GRIP

- Two-pack translucent anti-slip paint
- Ideal for high traffic areas
- Can be tinted by incorporating topcoat or applied over two-pot topcoat

GRIP ADDITIVE

- Non-skid compounds to be added to single or two-component topcoats or varnishes
- The medium additive is not very aggressive for raincoats, sailing trousers and ropes, it is intended for low traffic areas
- The hard additive is preferable for high traffic areas

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Colourless

Medium or Hard

0.75L

0.5kg / 3kg

Medium: 100g / 250g
Hard: 200g / 1kg

DA

DP

-

GRP
Polyester
Wood
Aluminium
Stainless steel

GRP
Polyester
Wood
Steel
Plexiglas

Surface Preparation



	STRIPPER	SD	POLISH	POLISH +	SCOURING ACID
MAIN FEATURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stripping gel for antifouling • Softens layers of antifouling, topcoats, single-component varnishes and non-skid paints • Remove paint with a spatula and clean with DA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solvent degreaser for cleaning and preparing surfaces for painting • Also used for cleaning laminating tools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polishing paste for oxidised or tarnished surfaces • Gives a soft, shiny finish to gelcoat and old paintwork 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Polishing paste for oxidised or tarnished surfaces • Finishing to accentuate and enhance the shine of surfaces after polishing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To prepare aluminium in areas where grinding is not possible • Rinse thoroughly before applying the protection
APPLICATION	Large brush	With cloth	By machine	By machine	With brush
PACKAGING	5L	0.75L / 2.5L / 5L	1kg	1kg	1L



Applying protective paint on an aluminium hull

1 | Preparing the surface to be painted

Preparation is a critical step. Start by degreasing your surface with SD. Mechanical sanding (36-40 grain special aluminium). The resulting surface should be uniform, slightly dull and rough.

Rinse with fresh water and allow to dry. Apply the paint within half a day. If you exceed this time, it will be necessary to repeat the surface deoxidisation operation, either by sanding or with deoxidising acid (followed by high-pressure rinsing).

Surface preparation



2 | Apply our METAPOX adhesion promoter

Metapox is a Nautix innovation, it was developed to enhance the adhesion of epoxy primer on aluminium. Apply with a brush, roller or even a cloth. Metapox is very liquid and transparent, do not try to apply thick coats. Wet the surface evenly with a very thin coat. As soon as the product is dry, apply your epoxy primer.

Do not apply Metapox if you are not sure to apply the first coat of epoxy within half a day.

METAPOX 1 coat



3 | Substrate barrier coat - EPOXYGARD primer

Apply the first coat of Epoxygard. The recommended thickness is 130µm wet maximum. To avoid condensation, the substrate and paint must be at the same temperature as the ambient air. This coat provides a hard, uniform base, and reveals hull defects before applying the coating.

EPOXYGARD 1 coat



4 | Coating with WATERTIGHT or BLUEFILLER

Depending on the extent of the defects, apply Watertight (thin layers and small areas) or BlueFiller (thick layers and large areas). Sand with 80-120 grit.

WATERTIGHT / BLUEFILLER 1 coat



5 | Corrosion protection with EPOXYGARD

Apply 5 coats of Epoxygard. Several thin layers will create the protective barrier by overlapping of the paint components. Please refer to our data sheet to check for recoat times.

EPOXYGARD 5 coats



6 | Finish with A1 Antifouling

Apply 2 final coats of A1 antifouling specific for aluminium.
Tip: you can apply a 3rd coat at the waterline and on the appendages.

A1 2 coats



Painting the propellers and Z-drive

1 | Preparing the surface to be painted

Wash the surface with water and with Nautix SD. Sand with P80. Rinse with fresh water and allow to dry. If the old paint is peeling and metal is showing, sand down the entire surface and then apply several coats of HPE or PA protective paint.

Surface preparation



3 | Protect with A7 T.SPEED Antifouling

A7 T.SPEED hard matrix antifouling is specifically designed for Z-Drive propellers and bases. Shake the spray can well before and during application. Nautix recommends applying one 500 mL spray for each propeller. Allow the coats to dry, comply with recoat times.

A7 T.Speed



2 | Application of P7 Primer

P7 spray primer is an easy to use adhesion and protection primer for propellers. Shake well before and during application. Spray for 2 to 3 seconds 20 cm maximum from the surface to avoid dry jet. Spray sparingly and repeatedly. Continuous spraying will result in excessive cooling and lead to clogging of the nozzle. Nautix recommends using the entire spray can for one propeller.

P7 1 coat



Refit the protection of my cast iron keel

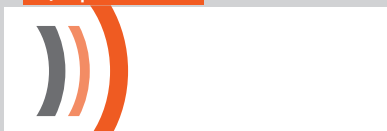
1 | Sand the substrate



2 | IA impregnation in 1 thin coat



3 | PA primer in 1 coat



4 | Watertight epoxy filler if needed



5 | PA primer in 4 coats



6 | Antifouling in 2 coats



IA Impregnation

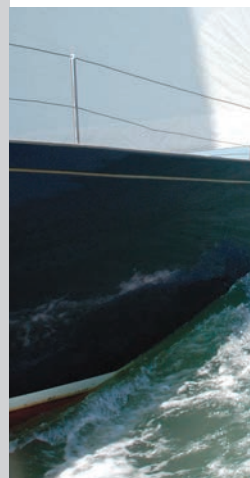


PA Primer



Antifouling

Understanding and preventing osmosis



Osmosis is a natural ageing phenomenon of polyester, due to water absorption. The rate of osmosis may vary depending on the quality of the boat construction, frequency of use (whether the boat is in the water all year round or not), the navigation environment (lake, tropical or cold water) and the initial protection. Small blisters may appear (the size of a pinhead), however in some cases it does not cause any observable phenomena. The fact the blisters are filled with acetic acid accounts for their distinctive vinegary odour (it comes out when pierced).

Preventing osmosis consists of creating a waterproof barrier to slow down the penetration of water into the composite. This protection must be regularly applied, as water always tends to enter the substrate.

On a new boat

On a new boat, it is advisable to apply this treatment before the first launch. **Four to five coats of protective primer** (Epoxygard or PO) should be applied.










On a boat that has already sailed

On a boat that has already sailed, ensure that the hull is completely dry to be sure not to trap moisture behind the barrier. The hull must be tested for moisture using a Tramex type moisture meter before painting (no more than 5 % difference in moisture content between the hull and the freeboard). If this rate is satisfactory, you can create the barrier.

If the boat is very wet

If the boat is very wet, and you wish to apply an osmosis treatment, **dry the boat for several months** and rinse and test it regularly at several different points, before recreating a protective barrier for the composite (osmosis treatment cycle on our nautix.com site).

Our Antifouling colours

Antifouling									
	WHITE	GREY WHITE	LIGHT BLUE	BLUE FRANCE	BLUE NAVY	RED	GREEN	GREY	BLACK
A3 YACHTING		7047		5019	5003	3011	6033	7012	9011
A4 YACHTING		7047		5019	5003	3011	6033	7012	9011
A1	9010			5015					9011
A7 T.SPEED	9010							7012	9011
A8	9010							7012	9011
PERFORMER YACHTING			5012		5000			7004	9011
MARIN YACHTING		7047		5019	5013	3011	6033	7012	9011
A3 FORMULA+	9010			5019	5000	3011		7046	9011
A4 FORMULA+	9010			5019	5000	3011		7046	9011
A88 FORMULA+				5019	5000	3011		7046	9011
PERFORMER PRO				5019	5000	3011		7046	9011
PRO YACHTING	9010			5019	5013			7012	9011
A9000 SPC								7046	9011
A4 T.SPEED	9010				5000	3020		7046	9011

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LAST BUT NOT LEAST

Our Thinners



DA
Thinner
for antifouling



DE
Thinner for primer
and epoxy finish

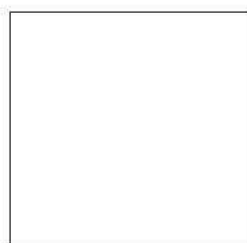


DP
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for polyurethane



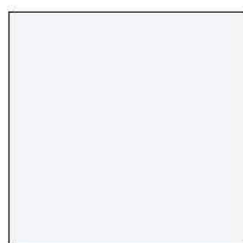
WS
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for 1-pack finish

Colour guide for topcoats



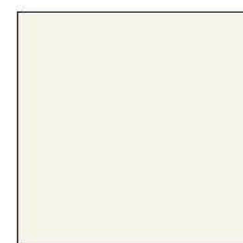
Blanc
White

RAL 9016



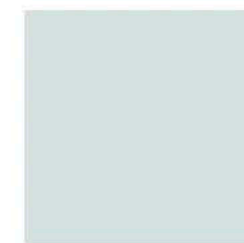
Blanc cassé léger
Light Off White

Pantone Warm Grey



Ivoire léger
Light Ivory

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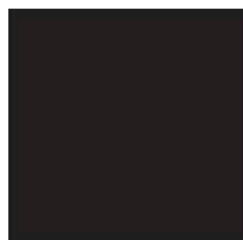
Gris clair
Light Grey

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Gris anthracite
Anthracite Grey

RAL 7024



Noir
Black

RAL 9005



Jaune Fluo
Neon Yellow



Orange Fluo
Neon Orange



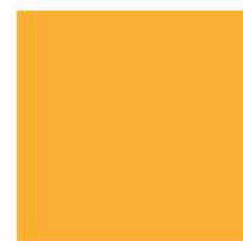
Orange Rescue
Rescue Orange

RAL 2008



Rouge
Red

RAL 3020



Jaune Sunset
Yellow Sunset

RAL 1028



Vert Herbe
Golf Green

RAL 6002



Bleu ciel
Sky blue

Pantone 2193C



Bleu France
Blue France

Pantone 2196C



Bleu Nuit
Midnight Blue

RAL 5017



Bleu Marine
Navy Blue

RAL 5011

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