

**Product Description**

Mult-E-Prime 500 is a high solids, high-build epoxy formulated to provide outstanding corrosion protection in extreme environments while providing superior chemical and abrasion resistance. Its tenacious adhesion and ability to be applied to tightly adhering rust and other tightly adhered previous coatings make it a versatile choice in substrate protection and an excellent option as an intermediate coat over organic zinc, inorganic zinc, and catalyzed epoxy primers. Mult-E-Prime 500's rapid recoat time makes it highly adaptable to any workflow. Mult-E-Prime 500 is suitable for fresh water immersion and can be applied at ambient temperatures as low as 0°F (-17.8°C) or as high as 120°F (48.9°C). Please contact Diamond Vogel Technical Service for detailed information on immersion application.

**Intended Uses**

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| <b>Apply to:</b>                 |                       | <b>Protects:</b>              |                      |
| • Interior or exterior surfaces  | • Ferrous metal       | • Tanks                       | • Equipment          |
| • Previously primed surfaces     | • Aluminum            | • Conveyors                   | • Machinery          |
| • Zinc rich products             | • Galvanized surfaces | • Structural or support steel | • Processing plants  |
| • Low temperature surfaces - 0°F | • Shop coats          | • Power generating plants     | • Storage facilities |

The above are general recommendations and not intended to limit the use of Mult-E-Prime 500. Test areas are always recommended to confirm results.

**Physical Properties**

<b>Resin Type</b>	Epoxy			
<b>Finish/Sheen</b>	Satin, 30–40 @ 60°			
<b>Colors</b>	Gray LF-0250, White LF-1250, Red LF-5252			
<b>Cure (Part B)</b>	LM-0222-Standard Cure, LM-0223-Summer Cure			
<b>Solids by Weight</b>	76%			
<b>Solids by Volume</b>	60%			
<b>Theoretical Coverage*</b>	962 ft <sup>2</sup> /gal @ 1 mil			
<b>Dry Film Thickness / Coat</b>	4.0–6.0 mils (100–150 microns)			
<b>Wet Film to Achieve DFT</b>	7.0–10.0 mils (175–250 microns)			
<b>Coverage at DFT*</b>	160–240 ft <sup>2</sup> /gal			
<b>VOCs</b>	2.8 lbs./gal (340 grams/liter) activated			
<b>Reduction Solvents</b>	See Application Section before reduction: Thin as needed with N-8006 VOC Exempt reducer or N-3023 Xylol up to the maximum VOC limit. Never thin beyond legal limits in VOC regulated areas. VOC limits and regulations may vary in your local zone.			
<b>Clean-up Solvents</b>	Diamond Vogel N-4006 MEK			
<b>Induction Time</b>	None			
<b>Mixing Ratio (by volume)</b>	1 part resin to 1 part cure. Product packaged in premeasured kits.			
<b>Pot Life**</b>	Standard Cure is 7 hours at 70°F (21°C) and 50% Relative Humidity Summer Cure is 7 hours at 70° F (21° C) and 50% Relative Humidity			
<b>Drying Time</b> ASTM D1640				
<b>Set to Touch (hours)</b>	<b>At 120° F (48.9° C)</b>	<b>At 70°F (21° C)</b>	<b>At 32°F (0°C)</b>	<b>At 20°F (-6.7°C)</b>
Standard Cure (LM-0222)	N/R	1 hour	1 ½ hours	3 hours
Summer Cure (LM-0223)	1 hour	3 hours	N/R	N/R
<b>Dry Through:</b>				
Standard Cure (LM-0222)	N/R	5 ½ hours	24 hours	36 hours
Summer Cure (LM-0223)	2 ½ hours	6 hours	N/R	N/R
<b>Recoat/Topcoat</b>	<b>Minimum Recoat</b>		<b>Maximum Recoat</b>	
Standard Cure	1 ½–2 hours		2 months	
Summer Cure	4 hours		2 months	

**Physical Properties (Continued)**

- \* Coverage rates are estimates based on the products volume solids and make no allowance for material loss during application. Actual spread rates may vary dependent on applicator experience, surface porosity and texture.
- \*\* Extreme temperatures can dramatically shorten pot life.
- \*\*\* Dry times vary with surface temperature, air movement, humidity and film thickness. Finish coat selection may extend maximum recoat, please request additional information by contacting Diamond Vogel Technical Service for detailed information.

**Performance Characteristics**

Mult-E-Prime 500 meets or exceeds the following performance testing criteria:

Test Name	Test Method	Results
Abrasion Resistance	ASTM D 4060, CS-17 Wheel 1kg Load, 1000 Cycles	0.0752 wear index
Adhesion Testing	ASTM D 4541 Elcometer Pull Test	1000+ lb./sq. in.
Adhesion Testing	ASTM D 3359 Cross Hatch	4B
Impact Resistance	ASTM 2794	Direct 30 in./lbs. Reverse <5 in./lbs.
Heat Resistance	ASTM D 2485 High Temperature Service	Passes at 250°F (121°C)
Pencil Hardness	ASTM D 3363	H
Cyclic Weathering	ASTM D-5894 840 hours	No face blistering, face rust rated 10, <4 mm scribe creepage.
Corrosion Resistance	ASTM B 117-94 Salt Spray (Fog) Test 2,000 hours	Blisters - few clusters #8 & #6, face rust - 9P, scribe creep - <2 mm

**Surface Preparation**

All surfaces must be clean, sound, dry and free of all dirt, dust, wax, oil, grease, chalk and any other contamination that would interfere with new coating adhesion. Bare surfaces must be properly prepared prior to the application of this product.

**Ferrous Metal Surfaces:** Abrasive blast new steel to SSPC-SP6, Commercial Blast Cleaning. Use proper abrasive to achieve an average of 1.5 to 2.0 mil profile. Blasted surfaces should be primed before flash rusting occurs. If blasting is not practical, remove loose rust and mill scale per SSPC-SP-2, Hand Tool Cleaning or SSPC-SP-3, Power Tool Cleaning. Treat rust free, cold rolled steel with a metal cleaning and etching solution.

**Previously Painted Metal Surfaces:** Power or hand washing is recommended to remove contamination. If oil or grease is present, use of a cleaner/degreaser is required. All cleaning residue must be completely rinsed from the surface. Allow to dry. Remove all loose coatings, rust and corrosion by scraping, sanding or other abrading methods as per SSPC-SP-2, Hand Tool Cleaning and SSPC-SP-3, Power Tool Cleaning, or abrasive blast according to SSPC-SP-6, Commercial Blast Cleaning. Use sandpaper to dull slick, glossy and/or non-porous surfaces.

**New Galvanized & Aluminum Surfaces:** Remove surface contamination or passivators by scrubbing with a cleaning and etching solution or blast per SSPC-SP-7, Brush-Off Blast Cleaning.

**Weathered Galvanized & Aluminum Surfaces:** Power or hand wash with detergent and rinse thoroughly. The surface must be dull and have a profile; use a cleaning and etching solution if needed.

**Mildew:** Remove by using a solution of one part household bleach and three parts water. Apply to mildewed area and scrub. Allow solution to remain on the surface for 3 to 5 minutes and then rinse completely and allow to dry before coating application.

**Application**

Part A (resin) and Part B (cure) are packaged in premeasured kits. The mixing ratio is 1 part A to 1 part B. Mix Part A and Part B separately using an explosion-proof power drill and blade type mixer. Add Part B to Part A and thoroughly mix and blend using an explosion-proof power drill and blade type mixer. Mix only the amount that can be used within the estimated pot life. For optimum application, air and surface temperatures should be from 20° to 90°F (-6.7° to 32°C) for standard cure and 70° to 120°F (21° to 49°C) for summer cure, and at least 5°F (3°C) above the dew point. Above 122°F (50°C), sagging may occur when using standard cure.

**Application Equipment:** Changes in application equipment, pressure, and or tip sizes may be required depending on ambient temperatures and application conditions.

**Airless Spray:** Flush airless lines with Diamond Vogel N-4006 MEK. Equipment must be clean prior to start. Apply a wet coat in even, parallel passes with 50% overlap to avoid bare areas and pinholes. If required, crosshatch spray at right angles. Do Not Thin.

Atomizing Pressure	Tip Orifice	Material Hose ID	Manifold Filter
2800–3000 PSI	0.015" to 0.019"	1/4" or 3/8"	60 mesh

**Conventional Spray:** Equipment must be clean prior to start. Apply a wet coat in even, parallel passes with 50% overlap to avoid bare areas and pinholes. If required, crosshatch spray at right angles. Thinning will be required in amounts up to 20% of suggested reducers or equivalents. More coats may be required to reach DFT specified.

Packaging			Shipping Weight		
Product	2 Gallon Kit	5 Gallon Kit	Product	1 Gallon	5 Gallon
Part A Resin	1 Gallon Pail (full filled)	5 Gallon Pail (1/2 filled)	Part A Resin	12.28 lbs. (5.57 kg)	31.57 lbs. (14.32 kg)
Part B Cure	1 Gallon Pail (full filled)	2.5 Gallon Pail (full filled)	Part B Cure	12.61 lbs. (5.72 kg)	31.59 lbs. (14.33 kg)

## Storage

Two years from date of manufacture when maintained in protected area at a temperature of 40° to 100°F (4° to 38°C). Subject to inspection thereafter.

## Safety Precautions

**\*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 wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by contacting the National Lead Information Hotline at 1-800-424-LEAD or log on to [www.epa.gov/lead](http://www.epa.gov/lead).

Paint products contain chemical ingredients, which are considered hazardous. Prior to use, read container label warnings and the current Material Safety Data Sheet for important health and safety information. Ensure these instructions are practiced during product application and cure. **Keep out of the reach of children.**

## Safety Data

“Safety Data Sheets” are available from your Diamond Vogel representative or the Diamond Vogel website at [www.diamondvogel.com](http://www.diamondvogel.com). Prior to use of this product, obtain and review the Safety Data Sheet for health and safety information. Read and observe all precautionary notices on container labels. **NOT INTENDED FOR RESIDENTIAL USE.**

## Limited Warranty

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## Additional Information

Epoxies will chalk and fade with extended exposure to sunlight. Yellowing is a normal occurrence. The use of heaters that emit carbon dioxide and carbon monoxide during application may cause excessive yellowing to occur.

Cautions and Warnings information is located on the back panel of each product label.

For current information regarding VOC regulations for specific geographical regions, please contact Technical Service at Diamond Vogel Corporate Headquarters, (Contact information is located at the bottom of the page).