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BEST-O-SEAL - Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is Best-O-Seal?

A. Best-O-Seal is a safe, water based surface sealer and asbestos encapsulant

Q. How do you use it?

A. You apply Best-O-Seal, by spray, brush or roller in even coats to porous surfaces, asbestos, sprayed insulation. A second and possibly a third coat of Best-O-Seal can then be applied or you can apply any other paint topcoat as a final coat for aesthetics.

Q. How many coats do you need?

A. Two coats of Best-O-Seal is the normal spec. but porous surfaces may require a third coat.

Q. Can you apply Best-O-Seal to steel?

A. Yes, but only if it is already primed. Use it to seal in old lead based paints. It is not suitable as a topcoat because of yellowing in u.v. light

Q. On what surfaces is it used?

A. Best-O-Seal is used on plaster, dry wall lining, asbestos, sprayed insulation, concrete.

Q. Can Best-O-Seal be used on aluminium?

A. Best-O-Seal will form a flexible protective coating.

Q. Will the product freeze? A. Yes

Q. How quickly does Best-O-Seal dry?

A. Touch dry in 30 minutes.

Q. When can I paint over Best-O-Seal?

A. Apply a second coat in 1 - 2 hours. 8 hours drying time is recommended before applying water based topcoats and 24 hours for solvent based topcoats from other paint systems.

Q. Can I use Best-O-Seal if it is damp or humid outside?

A. Yes. Unlike most paint products, Best-O-Seal can be used in damp humid conditions.

Q. What happens if it rains on treated surfaces before Best-O-Seal dries?

A. If Best-O-Seal gets wet within 4 hours of application, simply re-apply the coating.

Q. What is Best-O-Seal made of?

A. Best-O-Seal is a water based acrylic sealer which dries to give an extremely flexible surface film.

Q. How does the product work?

A. Best-O-Seal contains ingredients which makes it very water vapour impermeable to prevent water penetration while it binds friable surface material to the sound substrate.

Q. Does it come in colours?

A. No. It goes on off-white and dries clear

Q. Does Best-O-Seal change colour after application?

A. Yes. Best-O-Seal is almost always painted over if exposed to daylight. U.V. light discolours it.

Q. Is the product harmful or is it hazardous?

A. Not at all. See the US and Canadian Dept of Agriculture food approvals below.

Q. Does the product smell?

A. Best-O-Seal has a faint characteristic smell.

Q. Is the product environmentally safe?

A. The product is engineered to be as environmentally "friendly" as possible, it contains no hydrocarbon solvents or toxic pigments. Best-O-Seal has been approved by the Canada Agriculture Department, Food Production and Inspection Branch and the US Dept of Agriculture Food Safety & Inspection Service for use in food and drink production areas where there is a possibility of incidental food contact.

Q. Is Best-O-Seal flammable.

A. No. It has been tested as Class "O".

Q. What happens if I get it on my hands?

A. Wash off with soap and water. Note: It is always good practice to wear gloves when painting.

Q. What happens if it dries on my skin?

A. It may be picked off if it is a thick dried film

Q. What do I do if it gets on my clothes?

A. Wash affected area with soap and water immediately before Best-O-Seal dries. Difficult to remove otherwise.

Q. What first aid is required?

A. Splashes on skin or eyes should be flushed well with water.

Q. What about cleaning up after use?

A. Use soapy water to clean equipment before Best-O-Seal dries and aromatic solvents if it has dried.

Q. What will happen if I apply Best-O-Seal on a heat source?

A. Heat will soften the coating. It will harden again when cool. Extreme heat will cause the product to char. Best-O-Seal meets Class "O" BS 476 parts 6 & 7 for flame spread.

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