

Programmed System Technique (PST)
Basecoat
05/24/19

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## Safety Considerations

Use suitable personal protection



When exposed to paint or solvents AkzoNobel recommends the use of a fresh air supply respirator

#### **Foundation Color**



- To achieve the proper reflective appearance, Basecoat SB Argentum 308SA requires application over a foundation of Lesonal Basecoat SB 23 Deep Black.
  - SB 23 must be mixed with 10% hardener by volume, using the same LV clear hardener intended for use in the clearcoat layer.
  - Mix components well and reduce 100 parts of this mixture with 50 parts Lesonal SB reducer by volume.
- This foundation color application must be completely smooth and free of surface imperfections prior to the application of the 308SA Argentum.
  - Surface defects, even minuscule ones, will negatively affect the appearance of the special leafing metal.
- ✓ Refer to the product TDS for information regarding other foundation layer options.

## Mixing



- Lesonal Basecoat SB 308SA Argentum is ready to spray and requires no further mixing or reduction.
- Stir thoroughly before each use.

#### Equipment



### Spray gun set up:

- 1.2 1.4 mm HVLP Gravity
- 1.2 1.4 mm Compliant Gravity

#### Application pressure:

- HVLP 10 psi (0.68 bar) at cap maximum.
- Consult manufacturer specifications.

## Application



• 2 – 3 thin coats

## Flash-off



## Flash Between Coats at 70°F (21°C)

• 4 – 8 minutes.

## Flash at 70°F (21°C) Before Clearcoat

• 15 – 20 minutes.

## Recoatable With



- Lesonal Pro Air LV 2-Pack
- Lesonal Universal EcoClear LV 2-Pack
  - o To maintain VOC in National Rule areas, a Lesonal LV clearcoat must be used.

Read the complete TDS and the product Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for detailed product information



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## **PRODUCT AND ADDITIVES**

Product	<ul> <li>Basecoat SB MM (Mixing Machine) toners – Mixed to specification</li> <li>SB MM308SA SEC Silver Argentum 1.0L – Item # 551544</li> </ul>				
	✓ Lesonal MM308SA is used in several new OEM color formulas. When it is part of an OEM formula, mixing including normal Basecoat SB reduction and advice on primer colors should be followed.				
	✓ If used as a color by itself, MM308SA should be applied over a very smooth black foundation. Lesonal Primer Pro Black, Primer Pro LV Black or Basecoat SB MM23 Deep Black is suggested for the foundation.				
Hardeners	<ul> <li>Universal EcoClear LV Hardener – Item # 553387</li> <li>Pro Air Clear LV 2 Pack Hardener – Item # 516522</li> </ul>				
Reducer	<ul> <li>Basecoat SB MM308SA Argentum is ready to spray and requires no further reduction.</li> </ul>				
Additives	Basecoat SB Blending Additive — Item # 390166				
	SDS and TDS for products available online at – <a href="http://my.anaac.net/">http://my.anaac.net/</a>				

## **METHOD OF USE**

Suitable substrates	<ul> <li>Lesonal Primer Pro Black</li> <li>Lesonal Primer Pro LV Black</li> <li>Lesonal SB MM23 Deep Black</li> <li>Lesonal Basecoat SB Blending Additi</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Existing finishes</li> </ul> ve
		ylic lacquers. Aining washprimers or pre-treatments. Lesonal Flex will aid in ensuring a suitably smooth



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## Basic Raw Materials



Lesonal Basecoat SB

Physically drying binders

## Substrate preparation



#### Pre-cleaning

- If needed pre-wash the repair with warm soap and water. Rinse completely with clean water.
- Clean with Lesonal Surface Cleaner, AutoPrep Ultra-Prep (VOC compliant) or Plastic Surface Cleaner.

### **Sanding Preparation**



- For overall application, sand as normal for primer sealer application, P400 dry machine sanding.
- If in a repair situation
  - Prepare the repair area with black primer surfacer and final sand it with P600 dry by machine.
  - Sand the color blend and clearcoat area with P1000 dry or with a Grey Scotch Brite pad.

## Surface Cleaning – Prior to Paint Application



 Clean with Lesonal Surface Cleaner, AutoPrep Ultra-Prep (VOC compliant) or Plastic Surface Cleaner.

## **Product Agitation**



## MM308SA Argentum Prep and Use

- Shake paint on a vigorously for 5 minutes before first use.
- Since MM308SA is a metallic color, also stir the color before first use.

# Mixing Color Formulas and Products



### **Formulas**

- Current formulas using MM308SA are available to match the most popular OEM colors requiring its use. These are available on Mixit Cloud or Mixit-Pro Color Manager.
  - o If a specified primer color is shown, ensure that shade of Primer Pro LV or Primer Pro is used
  - When OEM colors containing MM308SA are used, follow the normal reduction for Basecoat SB.

## Mixing



### MM308 SA Argentum Mixing -

• When used over the black foundation, Basecoat SB MM308SA Argentum is ready to spray and requires no further reduction. Simply stir thoroughly before each use.



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Viscosity When

**12-18 sec.** Measured with a DIN #4 viscosity cup at 70°F (21°C).

## Mixed



## Pot-life when

## Mixed



### **Product Mix**

## Basecoat SB MM308SA Argentum

**Foundation Coat** 

## 70°F (21°C)

6 months

4 hours

## **Spray Gun** Set-up



## Consult spray gun manufacturer instructions for pressure specifications

#### **Spray Gun Fluid Tip Application Pressure** 1.2 - 1.4mm <10 psi (0.68 bar) at cap. **HVLP Gravity Feed**

psi per spray gun manufacturer. **Compliant Gravity Feed** 1.2 - 1.4mm

## 308SA **Argentum Application** Points to Consider



- The fine texture and thin coating created during the application of leafing metallic such as MM308SA make care in preparation and application very important.
  - Normal sanding grits are too coarse for direct application of these leafing metallic colors. Follow the preparation recommendations for these colors closely.
  - Any stray sand scratches, dust or surface imperfections will spoil the appearance of these types of leafing metallic colors and must be avoided. It is not possible to sand flaws out once the argentum application process begins.
- Argentum is affected by application variables. Create test panels ahead of time to assess what application is required for the desired effect appearance.



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## **APPLICATION TECHNIQUE**

## Foundation Color for Overall Application



- Apply Primer Pro Sealer according to product TDS specifications and make sure that the surface is completely smooth. Using sealer mixtures that contain Lesonal Flex Additive will aid in ensuring a suitably smooth surface.
  - O For spot repairs dissolve overspray with the appropriate Lesonal Blending Solvent.
- Alternately, Basecoat SB MM23 Deep Black may be used as the foundation color. Mix with slower solvents in the normal ratio for a smoother application.
  - o Flash for 15-20 minutes before applying the MM308SA Argentum.

# Basecoat SB Argentum Overall Application



- First apply one single thin coat and flash 4 − 8 minutes.
  - o Tack the entire application area between coats.
- Continue application with single coats until the desired effect is achieved.
  - Do not apply these coats too wet, maximum 70% wetness with each coat, spraying distance should be at least 12 inches.
- Argentum effect is influenced by application
  - Less fluid or more air pressure creates a brighter appearance.
  - o More fluid or lower air pressure produces a darker appearance.
  - o Fewer coats form a coarser appearance.
  - More coats build a finer appearance.

## Basecoat SB Argentum Spot Repair (Blending)



- Create and use test panels before application to determine the right air-pressure, fluid delivery and number of coats.
- Basecoat SB Blending Additive must be used as a clear foundation coat before commencing
  argentum spot repairs. Apply one thin smooth coat of this blending foundation to allow for
  suitable argentum leafing and orientation. Allow the Blending Additive to flash before
  applying the Argentum color.
- When making spot repairs apply thin color coats until effect is achieved using an "outside-in" application. Do not flare or flip the spray-gun at the end of the gun stroke.
- Flash between each coat and tack the entire repair.

## **DRYING / CURING TIME**

## Flash-Drying



## Flash Between Coats at 70°F (21°C)

- 4 8 minutes.
  - Flash time will be dependent on ambient temperature, applied paint wetness/thickness and available air-flow.



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## Drying / Curing Time



- Allow Basecoat SB to dry for a minimum of 15 20 minutes at 70°F (20°C) before applying the clearcoat.
- Drying times are stated at recommended application method, film thickness and object temperature.
- The maximum time Basecoat SB may be left before clear is 24 hours. After 24 hours the surface must be abraded.

## Recoating



#### **Recoatable With:**

- Lesonal Universal Eco Clear LV
- Lesonal Pro Air Clear LV 2 Pack
  - To maintain VOC in National Rule areas, a Lesonal LV clearcoat must be used.

# Film Thickness – Using Suitable Application



- Basecoat SB solid, metallic and pearl colors: 0.4 0.9 mils (10-20μm) per coat.
- Basecoat SB MM308SA Argentum 0.1 0.2 (.25-.5μm) mils per coat.
- The total dry layer thickness of Basecoat SB should not exceed 1.2 mils (30μm).

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## Cleaning of Equipment



- Clean equipment and dispose of waste following local and federal regulations. In compliant localities, use a VOC compliant high quality solvent borne gun cleaner. For national rule regions, a use high quality lacquer thinner.
- For efficient cleaning and less evaporated cleaning solvents, an enclosed automatic gun cleaning machine is suggested.
- With the recommended application the theoretical material usage at a 1 mil thickness (25.4  $\mu$ m)

Foundation Layer: ± 216.9 feet²/gallon (5.3m²/liter)

- Midcoat Layer (308SA): ± 44.5 feet²/gallon (1.1m²/liter)
- Actual coverage is dependent on many factors which may include the shape of the object, surface smoothness, application technique, among others.

## Theoretical Coverage





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## voc/ Regulatory Information



Foundation Layer Ready to Spray VOC:		VOC Lbs/Gal		VOC g/L	
•	Lesonal SB MM23 mixed with 10% Universal	-	6.45	-	775
	EcoClear LV Hardener				
•	Lesonal SB MM23 mixed with 10% Pro Air	-	6.40	_	768
	Clear LV 2 Pack Hardener				

## Midcoat Layer (As Supplied) VOC:

- Basecoat SB MM308SA Argentum 7.67 920
  - Basecoat SB MM308SA Argentum is not compliant in regulated markets. In National Rule areas, Basecoat SB MM308SA Argentum can only be used in combination with the low VOC clearcoats listed within this document.

Do not handle until the Safety Data Sheets have been read and understood. Regulations require that all employees be trained on Safety Data Sheets for all chemicals with which they come in contact. The manufacturer recommends the use of an air-supplied respirator when exposed to vapors or spray mist.

## **Product Storage**



- Item unopened or used products in approved closed containers with proper labeling. Store in moderate temperatures between 40°F - 95°F (5°C - 35°C). Avoid too much temperature fluctuation. Optimum storage temperature is approximately 70°F (21°C)
- Lesonal Basecoat SB MM308SA

4 Years (unopened)

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