

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

AEROSTRIP PREMIUM

HIGH PERFORMANCE HOT PAINT REMOVER - AEROSPACE

1) PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

AEROSTRIP PREMIUM is an extremely effective biodegradable liquid paint remover for industrial and aerospace coatings. It has a very low toxicity and does not contain any dichloromethane or NMP. It will not corrode metals; it is safe to be used on aluminum, steel, stainless steel, cadmium, titanium and magnesium (see aerospace specifications). The stripping time is usually between 30 and 120 minutes for most coatings (could be longer for some aerospace coatings), when the stripping solution is kept at a temperature between 60 and 80°C (140 – 176°F). In regards to the corrosion test SAE ARP1755B Cat.7, longest immersion time in the Aerostrip PREMIUM is 8 hours for all aerospace parts.

Typical applications:

- Aerospace stripping tank;
- Industrial stripping tank;

Typical coatings:

- Catalyzed paints (epoxies, polyurethanes, fuel tank coatings);
- Powder coatings (polyester & polyurethane) & E/Coat;
- Silicone polysulfide.

AEROSTRIP PREMIUM is designed for use in a heated soaking tank. However, it can be used for cold stripping applications with a longer dwell time. The recommended operating temperature is 60 to 80 °C (140 to 176°F).





2) BENEFITS

While biodegradable and safe for the end user, **AEROSTRIP PREMIUM** will allow you to strip the toughest coating systems within a very short period of time.

Its main benefits are:

- > Extremely effective, better than NMP based formulations;
- ➤ Will keep its stripping efficiency for 12 to 36 months
- ➤ No NMP, No dichloromethane, Biodegradable, No HAP (Hazardous Air Pollutant, U.S. EPA);
- Non corrosive to any metals;
- Low evaporation rate;
- > Can be cleaned and reused;
- Non flammable.

AEROSPACE SPECIFICATIONS

Tests performed by an independent laboratory: SMI, Florida, USA

Stock Loss performed at 80°C/176°F for 8 hours on :

Effect of cleaning agents on aircraft engine materials

ARP 1755B cat.7

aluminum, magnesium, copper, nickel, titanium, steel, cobalt, corrosion resistant steel, plus various electroplated and plasma coated panels.

Stress Corrosion (titanium alloys)

ASTM F-945-12

3) PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Physical appearance	two-phases, transparent yellow liquid
Odor	
Biodegradability	Good
Flash point (close cup) with oil blanket	
Specific Gravity (Water = 1)	
pH (1 % in water)	

4) APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Before immersion:

Clean any excessive grim from the surface to be stripped.

Immersion:

Completely submerge the parts to be stripped in a solution of AEROSTRIP PREMIUM pure at a temperature varying from 40 to 80°C (68 to 176°F); the higher the temperature, the lower the stripping time will be;



Wait until the parts are completely stripped before taking them out of the solution;

Oil Blanket:

An oil blanket – a light synthetic oil – is included in the **AEROSTRIP PREMIUM** to cover the stripping solution. It substantially reduces evaporation losses and contributes to lower heating costs. A good oil blanket should have a thickness of 1 to 3 inches (2.5 à 7.5 cm) in order to be effective.

Agitation (optional):

- ➤ Agitation of the solution during the stripping process is not necessary but it will reduce stripping time by 20 to 30%. Use a slow air driven electric mixer) to avoid mixing the oil blanket with the paint stripper;
- > Do not use an electric mixer or air to agitate the solution

Efficiency:

Two variables will greatly influence stripping efficiency: agitation and temperature. On the other hand, increasing the temperature by 10°C (18°F) will also reduce the stripping time by 20 to 50%.

Keeping a clean stripping solution:

AEROSTRIP PREMIUM will dissolve the paint into small particles that will settle in the bottom of the tank. Cleaning the immersion tank every 4 to 8 months is recommended. To do so efficiently, let the tank settle for 48 hours at room temperature. Transfer the paint stripper into a temporary tank then clean the sludge at the bottom of the tank. Transfer back the "good" paint stripper into the immersion tank.

Performance:

➤ **AEROSTRIP PREMIUM's** life will depend on its use and the number of parts stripped. As a rule of thumb, the solution will be effective for a period of 12 to 36 months.

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- Clean and rinse the parts with water if needed (preferably with warm water); add detergent if needed.
- For metals that oxidize rapidly when in contact with moisture, dip the parts in a corrosion inhibitor or dry them rapidly.

Before painting:

Make sure that the parts are dry and free of any contaminants before painting the surface;

Compatible materials:

Soaking tank: any metal;

Pump: any metal and Teflon;

Piping: Any metal;Seals and tape: Teflon



Precautions:

Avoid contact with rubber and plastic surfaces as they may degrade. In case of contact, dry as soon as possible.

Disposal of the stripping solution:

Dispose of the stripping solution according to local regulations. The solution will be contaminated with paint components after several months of service and therefore, it should be disposed of as a hazardous material.

5) PERSONAL PROTECTION

Engineering Controls:

Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are in proximity of workstation location.

Safety equipment:

- Wear appropriate respirator device with VOC (Volatile Organic Compound) cartridges when ventilation is inadequate;
- Splash goggles, safety glasses or face shield;
- Rubber apron and/or long sleeves;
- Chemical resistant gloves;
- Boots:

6) STORAGE

Store **AEROSTRIP PREMIUM** at a controlled temperature between 0°C and 30°C (32°F to 86°F). Keep away from any source of flame or sparks. Keep in a closed and dry container. The shelf life of the product has been determined to be three (3) years.

7) PACKAGING

AEROSTRIP PREMIUM is available in:

➤ Pails (18.9 L – 5 U.S. Gal.).

➤ Drums (205 L – 55 U.S. Gal.).

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