# **UNITHANE®**

# TECHNICAL DATA SHEET

# UNITHANE® 644 WD 55

Solventborne Urethane Alkyd

### PRODUCT APPLICATION DETAILS

 ${\tt UNITHANE}^{\circ}$  644 WD 55 is an urethane alkyd based on aliphatic isocyanate and was designed particularly with colour retention in mind.

The resin can be used in clear and pigmented finishes and is often used in combination with colour retentive long oil alkyds.

The excellent colour and gloss retention of UNITHANE® 644 WD 55, especially when exposed to ultra violet light, makes it an ideal choice for use in exterior applications, including garden furniture and marine finishing. In clear varnishes UNITHANE® 644 WD 55 can be used as the sole medium. For decorative gloss or eggshell finishes, between 20-50% of the urethane resin should be used, the balance being a colour retentive long oil alkyd.

The resin is supplied in low aromatic white spirit to enable the formulation of coatings that do not require adverse environmental labelling.

### **SALES SPECIFICATIONS**

	CHARACTERISTICS	METHODS
Solid content (125°C)	54 - 56 %	ISO 3251
Viscosity (25°C)	4500 - 6000 mPa.s	ISO 3219
Color	8 max Gardner	ISO 4630
Acid value	5 max mg KOH/g	ISO 2114

### OTHER CHARACTERISTICS<sup>1</sup>

CHARACTERISTICS	METHODS
Low aromatic white spirit	-
40 °C	ISO 3679
0.906 g/ml	ISO 2811
Linoleic rich	-
54 %	-
Urethane	-
	Low aromatic white spirit  40 °C  0.906 g/ml  Linoleic rich  54 %

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The data provided for these properties are typical values, intended only as guides, and should not be construed as sales specifications

### **MARKETS**

## Coatings & Inks

- · Architectural Coating
  - Specialty Coatings
  - Stains
  - Trim
- Flooring
  - Floor Polish & Floor Coatings

### **PERFORMANCE BENEFITS**

- Rapid drying
- Good abrasion resistance
- Good chemical and stain resistance



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### **FORMULATION GUIDELINES**

#### DRIERS

A suitable combination of driers for use with UNITHANE® 644 WD 55 based coatings is 0.05% cobalt, 0.15% zirconium and 0.2% calcium, calculated as metals on total solid resin. Depending on the formulation (clear, pigmented, thixotropic, etc...) and on the application, the loading of each drier may be increased or reduced in order to achieve the appropriate drying/hardness profile.

The use of antiskinning agent is essential to prevent in-can skinning of the finished product.

### **SOLUBILITY**

UNITHANE® 644 WD 55 is completely soluble in aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons, ketones and esters.

### COMPATIBILITY

UNITHANE® 644 WD 55 is compatible with most long oil alkyds, some medium oil alkyds and most thixotropic alkyds.

## OTHER ADDITIVES

To impart some thixotropy to coatings, especially varnishes it is recommended that 10–50% of a thixotropic alkyd is used. GELKYD® or SUPER GELKYD® supplied in low aromatic white spirit are especially recommended for this purpose.

### **PRODUCT SAFETY**

Please refer to the corresponding Safety Data Sheet.

### **STORAGE AND HANDLING**

UNITHANE® 644 WD 55 should be stored indoors in the original, unopened and undamaged container, in a dry place at a temperature not exceeding 30°C. Exposure to direct sunlight should be avoided. In the above mentioned storage conditions the shelf life of the resin will be from the shipping date.

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