

# PRO-PRIME 203

ANTI-CORROSIVE EPOXY PRIMER

TECHNICAL DATA SHEET



## INTRODUCTION

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### Quick notes:

- Does not contain chromates and heavy metals.
- Anti-corrosive protection for metals.
- Galvanic corrosion protection for carbon fiber.

**PRO-PRIME 203** is a fast, anti-corrosive epoxy primer used to protect steel, galvanized steel, stainless steel and aluminum, and to limit galvanic corrosion between SS and carbon fiber. It exhibits strong adhesion to properly prepared metals.

PRO-PRIME 203 is free of chromates and heavy metals. Its anti-corrosive property is the result of ion arresting additives used in the formulation.

## APPLICATION METHOD

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Suitable for brush/roller or spray application.

## FEATURES

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- 2:1 by volume,
- strong adhesion to properly prepared metals,
- suitable for use as a galvanic corrosion blocker between ss and carbon fiber,
- chromate and heavy metal free,
- fast drying, multiple layers can be applied per day,
- available in light blue, light green, off-white and grey,
- easy to fair,
- curing will continue even if ambient conditions become unfavorable.

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## PRODUCT DATA

PRO-PRIME 203: Properties	
Mix ratio, by volume	2:1
Mix ratio, by weight	100:32
Volume solids, % <i>of mixture, undiluted, approx.</i>	70
V.O.C., g/lit <i>of mixture, undiluted, approx.</i>	276
Specific weight, kg/lit <i>of mixture, undiluted, approx., ISO 2811</i>	1.40
Induction time, mins.	5
Shelf life (in controlled environment), years	2
Packaging, comp. A+B, lt	2, 24

## CURING SPEED

PRO-PRIME 203: Curing speed			
	10 °C	20 °C	30 °C
Pot life <sup>1</sup> , mins <i>diluted 2% for brush / roll application.</i>	240	90	60
Touch dry time, mins	120	90	30
Tack free, hrs	8	4	2
Hard dry / sandable, hrs	21	6	4

[Determined in controlled laboratory conditions. To be used as a guide only.]

<sup>1</sup> Pot life is indicative for a mix with 2% EPO-THIN 101 for brush / roller application, as stated above. Thinning at a higher percentage, within the range given below, will extend pot life.]

## RECOAT AND OVERCOAT TIMES

### Quick notes:

- Recoat and overcoat without fairing after the current coat is well into the touch dry phase and up to 7 days.

PRO-PRIME 203 can be overcoated with the following:

- PRO-PRIME 200 series / epoxy primers and tie coats,
- PRO-FILL series / epoxy fillers,
- PU based top-coats and their respective tie coats,
- Antifouling coatings, and tie coats for 1K / silicon / Teflon based antifouling.

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Use the following table as a guide for recoating / overcoating times.

PRO-PRIME 203: Recoat / overcoat times						
	10 °C		20 °C		30 °C	
	min	max	min	max	min	max
Recoat/overcoat window, hrs	3	7 days	2	7 days	1	7 days

## CONSUMPTION

### Quick notes:

- Roll: 10 m<sup>2</sup>/lt.
- Spray: 13 m<sup>2</sup>/lt.

- **Roll / brush application**

@ 3% EPO-THIN 101: WFT 260 (DFT 180) microns, 10 m<sup>2</sup>/lt.

- **Spray application**

@ 30% EPO-THIN 201: WFT 260 (DFT 140) microns, 13 m<sup>2</sup>/lt.

@ 40% EPO-THIN 201: WFT 260 (DFT 130) microns, 14 m<sup>2</sup>/lt.

## SURFACE PREPARATION

### Quick notes:

- Clean grease/oil contaminants,
- abrade substrate at 24/36,
- brush off remnants using PRO-EPOX 101.

Both preparation and application should be carried out in optimal conditions, namely temperature in the range of 10-25 °C (ambient, substrate and product) and normal humidity levels. Following application, if temperature drops, curing will proceed, even close to 0 °C, albeit at lower speeds.

Begin by ensuring that the substrate is dry. If grease/oil/wax/silicone type contaminants are present, they must be cleaned first using PRO-CLEAN X. Next, fair at grade 24 or 36 and clean using a hard brush and PRO-CLEAN X. Avoid cleaning with paper or cloths.

Proceed with application as soon as possible.

If filling is required, it should be done after a first layer and overcoated by the remaining layers of primer.

## MIXING

### Quick notes:

- Stir each component well in its original container before preparing a mix.
- In higher temperatures, employ usual techniques to keep the mix cool and maintain its pot life.

Stir each component well, at low rpm, before mixing. **Caution:** Do not let foaming develop as this will lead to faulty volume proportions! Using the indicative data given above, prepare quantities which you will comfortably have the time to apply within the pot life window. Mix the two components until a uniform consistency has emerged.

In the case where temperatures are above 20 °C, given the high speed of curing of the product, plan your mixing so as to have sufficient time to apply it within the working time. Namely, only mix small volumes and employ the usual techniques for keeping the mix cool.

Mix as follows:

PRO-PRIME 203: Mixing		
Part	A	B
By volume	2	1
By weight	100	32

## THINNING

PRO-PRIME 203: Thinning			
	by volume	by weight	DIN cup 4, sec
<b>EPO-THIN 101</b>			
Brush / roller application			
- suggested	3 %	1.8 %	75
- range	2-4 %	1.2-3.6 %	85-40
<b>EPO-THIN 201</b>			
Spray application	30-40 %	18.5-24.6 %	17-15

## APPLICATION

### • Roll / brush application

Roll primer onto surface aiming for uniform coverage. You may tip using a good quality brush in order to make small corrections.

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### • Spray application

Use a 1.2 to 2.0 mm tip.

Spray pressure: 275-380KPA (40-55 psi).

*[You are advised to first test the product, surface preparation and ambient conditions on a non-critical part of the application surface before proceeding with the full repair.]*

## CLEANING

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Clean application equipment using EPO-THIN 101/201.

## PACKAGING

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2 lt (1.33 + 0.66),

24 lt (16 + 8 or 16 + 4 of colour 1 + 4 of colour 2).

## STORAGE & SHELF LIFE

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At least 24 months from the date of manufacture in the original sealed container. The ideal storage temperature is 10-25 °C at normal humidity levels.

## SAFETY

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Apply in well-ventilated spaces. Follow personal safety guidelines relating to epoxy products, including the use of proper mask and protective clothing. Avoid physical contact with the uncured substances.

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