

AUE-380 Series

2K High Solids Polyurethane

Product data sheet

AUE-380 Series High Solids Exterior Polyurethanes are high performing, two component, exterior durable, polyester polyurethane enamels. These products are designed to provide excellent surface protection and exterior color and gloss retention.

AUE-380 Series unique polyester urethane formulation provides excellent flexibility and chip resistance compared to traditional polyurethane topcoats. AUE-380 Series have an extended recoat window compared to traditional urethane enamels.

Product highlights

- Excellent color and gloss retention
- Excellent chemical, mar, impact, and corrosion resistance
- Available in a wide range of colors and gloss
- Direct-to-metal capable
- Extended recoat window
- No reportable HAPS

Associated product codes

- AUE-380: Polyester Urethane High Solid Enamel
- AUE-380LG: Polyester Urethane High Solid Enamel - Low Gloss
- AUE-380WHT: White Polyester Urethane High Solid Enamel
- AUE-380YL: Yellow Polyester Urethane High Solid Enamel
- AU38-FP908: DTM Polyester Urethane - Black
- AUE-3501, GXH1080, GXH1086: Urethane Hardener

Physical constants ¹	AUE-380 Series w/GXH1086 or GXH1080	AUE-380 Series w/AUE-3501
Solids % by weight	67.0 ± 4.0	70.0 ± 4.0
Solids % by volume	53.0 ± 5.0	57.0 ± 5.0
HAPs	<0.1 lbs./gal. (<12 g/L)	<0.1 lbs./gal. (<12 g/L)
Photo-chemically reactive	No	No
Weight/Gallon	8.0 - 12.0 lbs. /gal. (960 – 1440 g/L)	8.0 - 12.0 lbs. /gal. (960 – 1440 g/L)
VOC Max (less exempts)	3.5 lbs./gal. (420 g/L)	3.5 lbs./gal. (420 g/L)
VOC Max (actual)	3.5 lbs./gal. (420 g/L)	3.5 lbs./gal. (420 g/L)

Directions for use

Substrate preparation

The surface to be coated must be sanded and free of all contamination (including dust, dirt, oil, grease, and oxidation). Chemical treatment and the use of a conversion coating will improve the performance properties of the coating system. We recommend that adhesion and system compatibility be checked prior to full application.

Substrate	Application Recommendations: Direct to Properly Prepared Substrate
Cold Rolled Steel	Excellent
Hot Rolled Steel	Excellent
Galvaneal	Good
Galvanized	No direct to metal application. Refer to CPCTB01 for approved primers
Aluminum	Very Good
Plastic/Fiberglass	Good - Due to variability in composite substrates, testing adhesion is recommended

¹ All values are theoretical, depend on color and are ready to spray. Actual values could vary slightly due to manufacturing variability. Constants vary from color to color.

Directions for use (continued)

Mix directions

Mix Directions	Stir thoroughly before and occasionally during use	
Thinning	Up to 50% Q30 in VOC compliant areas Up to 50% Q50, Q160, Q70, TFS Blends in non-VOC complaint areas	
Line/Flush Clean Up	TFS309, Q30 or Q60	
	AUE-380 Series w/GXH1080 or GXH1086	AUE-380 Series w/AUE-3501
Blend Ratio High Gloss	4:1	5:1
Blend Ratio < 70 Gloss	5:1	6:1

Application equipment*

	Application	Application Viscosity
Conventional Cup Gun	1.4 – 1.8 mm needle/nozzle w/40 – 50 psi at the gun	25 - 40" #2 EZ Zahn
Conventional Pressure Pot	1.4 – 1.8 mm needle/nozzle w/40 – 50 psi at the gun 20 - 25 psi fluid pressure	30 - 45" #2 EZ Zahn
HVLP (with or without pressure pot)	1.4 – 1.8 mm needle/nozzle with 10 psi at the cap	40 - 50" #2 EZ Zahn
Airless	0.011" – 0.014" tip at 1500 – 2200 psi fluid pressure	15 - 24" #3 EZ Zahn
Air-Assisted Airless	0.011" – 0.014" tip at 900 – 1300 psi fluid pressure	14 - 19" #3 EZ Zahn
Brush or Roll	Not Recommended	
Electrostatic	1.4 - 1.8 mm needle/nozzle w/40 – 50 psi at the gun	25 - 40" #2 EZ Zahn

*For additional application information, refer to product application guide

Application

	AUE-380 Series w/GXH1080, GXH1086, or AUE-3501
Apply	1-2 Coats with 10 min flash
Recommended Wet Film Build	2.0 - 5.0 mils (51 - 127 microns)
Recommended Dry Film Build	1.5 - 2.5 mils (38 - 64 microns)
Coverage (at 1 mil no loss)	770 - 995 sq. ft/gal (72 - 92 meters sq./3.785L)

Dry times

	AUE-380 Series w/GXH1080, GXH1086, or AUE-3501
Air Dry @77°F (25°C) 50% RH*	
To Touch	1 hours
To Handle	4 hours*
To Recoat	After 1 hour ²
Force Dry	10 minutes air dry, bake 20 @ 180°F (82°C)

*Paint film is not fully cured for 7 days. Drying time may vary, depending on film build, color selection, temperature, humidity, and degree of air movement.

2 Excess film thickness will retard dry times and affect recoat window.

Technical data³

Performance properties

Test	ASTM Method	AUE-380 Series w/GXH1080, GXH1086, or AUE-3501
Pencil Hardness	D3363	F
Gravelometer	D3170	> 7
Gloss @ 60°	D523	10 - 95
Adhesion	D3359	5B
Conical Mandrel	D522	Pass
In Service Temperature Limit ⁴	-	250°F (121°C)

Chemical Resistance

Test	ASTM Method	AUE-380 Series w/GXH1080, GXH1086, or AUE-3501
Toluene	D1308	Pass, Slight Stain
10% NaOH (Sodium Hydroxide)	D1308	Pass
10% HCl (Hydrochloric acid)	D1308	Pass
10% H ₂ SO ₄	D1308	Pass
Gasoline	D1308	Pass
Isopropyl Alcohol	D1308	Pass
Water ⁵	D1308	Pass

Weather resistance

Test	ASTM Method	AUE-380 Series w/GXH1080, GXH1086, or AUE-3501
Salt Spray With HSP-385 Primer	B117	1,000 hours
Corrosion Creep	D1654	5A - 6A
Scribe Blisters	D714	4F, 2F
Face Blisters	D714	8F
Humidity With HSP-385 Primer	D2247	1,000 hours
5 Minute Adhesion Recovery	D3359	3B
1 Hour Adhesion Recovery	D3359	4B
24 Hour Adhesion Recovery	D3359	5B
QUV-B: 60° angle	D4587	
200 hour gloss retention	D523	>90%
500 hour gloss retention	D523	>90%

³ The application and performance property data above is believed to be reliable based on laboratory findings. It is for the buyer to satisfy itself on the suitability of the product for its particular use. Variation in environment, procedures of use or extrapolation may cause unsatisfactory results. All test results assume proper cure and preparation of test substrates. Unless otherwise stated, all results were obtained spraying product direct to metal on BONDERITE® 1000.

⁴ As you approach 150° F depending on the pigmentation, the color may change, but the film integrity will be maintained up to 250°F.

⁵ Although resistant to intermittent exposure, not recommended for immersion.

Safety

These materials are designed for application only by professional, trained personnel, using proper equipment under controlled conditions and are not intended for sale to the general public.

Safe application of paints and coatings requires knowledge of equipment, materials, and individual training. Directions and precautionary information on both equipment and products should be carefully read and strictly observed for personal safety and property protection. Consideration must be given to eliminate conditions, which may generate hazardous atmospheres during spray application or subject operations or bystanders to injury or illness.

Special precautions must be taken when utilizing spray equipment, particularly airless equipment. High-pressure injection of coatings into the skin by airless equipment may cause serious injury requiring immediate medical attention at a hospital. Treatment advice may also be obtained from Poison Centers.

Air quality should be maintained with adequate ventilation; applicators can achieve additional protection by wearing respirators and other protective garments such as gloves and overalls. In all cases, wear protective eye equipment. During the application of all coating materials, all flames, welding, and smoking must be prohibited. Explosion proof equipment must be used when coating these materials in confined areas.

Precautionary information

Before using the products listed herein, carefully read each product label and follow directions for use. Please read and observe all warnings and precautionary information on all product labels. Prevent all contact with skin and eyes and breathing of vapors and spray mist. Repeated inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause a series of progressive effects including irritation of the respiratory system, permanent brain and nervous system damage and possible unconsciousness and death in poorly ventilated areas. Eye watering, headaches, nausea, dizziness, and loss of coordination are indications that solvent levels are too high. Intentional misuse by deliberately concentrating and inhaling the contents can be harmful or fatal.

KEEP OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN

Medical response

Emergency medical or spill control information: US (412) 434-4515; Canada (514) 645-1320; and Mexico 01-800-00-21-400. Please have label information available.

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