



# FLAME CONTROL NO. 20-20A

A Low VOC Water Base, Flat Latex

Intumescent Fire Retardant Paint

UL Certified Class "A" Rating per ASTM E-84-05 10-Minute Test  
30 Minute Rating per ASTM E-84-10 Extended Test

### DESCRIPTION:

Flame Control No. 20-20A is a Class "A", interior, low VOC, water base, flat latex, fire retardant paint, manufactured in accordance with Federal Specification TT-P-001932. 20-20A will also provide a 30- minute rating when two coats are applied at the recommended application rates. This coating dries quickly to a flat finish, having the appearance of a conventional flat latex paint. In the presence of heat or flame the coating puffs up (intumesces) and forms a thick, sponge like cellular foam layer; this foam layer insulates the substrate reducing the penetration of heat, thus retarding the flame spread and delaying structural failure.

### RECOMMENDED USES:

For application to all interior combustible surfaces where it is either necessary or desirable to reduce the surface burning characteristics of the substrate.

### USED BY:

Schools, Colleges, Nursing Homes, Child Care Centers, Hospitals, Penal Institutions, Apartments, Hotels, Factories, Warehouses, Retail Stores, Restaurants, Utilities, Railroad and other Transportation Companies, Oil and Chemical Installations, Military Installations, and other facilities where fire retardant coatings are required.

### USE UNTOPCOATED OR TOPCOATED:

Topcoating is not necessary for most applications; however, on surfaces requiring maximum washability and cleansibility, No. 20-20A should be topcoated with Flame Control No. 40-40A Low-Gloss Latex Fire Resistant Coating.

### PERFORMANCE INFORMATION:

- Class "A" fire rated.
- Complies with federal, state, local building and fire code requirements.
- Dries by water evaporation to a tough, flexible, matte finish.
- Does not leach (lose fire retardancy) on exposure to high humidity.
- Meets all VOC regulations, including SCAQMD.

### CHARACTERISTICS:

**Finish** . . . . . Flat, 5 units max. @ 60°

**Color** . . . . . White, Off-White and 13 standard pastel colors

**Tinting** . . Can be tinted up to 2 fl. oz. of Universal Tint. Check colorant for compatibility.

#### Spreading

**Rate** . . . . . 155 sq. ft./gal. (3.8 m<sup>2</sup>/L) applied in one or two coats  
10.4 mils wet, 4.8 mils dry

**V.O.C.** . . . . . 0.41 lbs./gal. (49 g/L)

**Volume Solids** . . . . . 46% ± 2

**Weight Solids** . . . . . 59% ± 2

#### Drying Time @

**77°F & 50% RH:** . . To touch 30 min.  
To handle 1-2 hours  
To recoat 2 to 4 hours

**Type of Cure** . . . . . Coalescence

**Flash Point** . . . . . None (Pensky-Martens Closed Cup)

**Reducer/Cleaner** . . . . . Water

**Shelf Life** . . . . . 9 months (unopened)

**Packaging** . . . . . 1 & 5 gal. containers weight/gal. 10.9 ± 0.2 lbs.

**Shipping weight** . . . . . 4 gals - 45 lbs.  
5 gals - 55 lbs.

**Application** . . . . . Brush, roller, conventional and airless spray

### PRECAUTIONS:

Adequate ventilation must be provided during and after application until the coating has dried. Avoid breathing vapors or spray mist. Close container after use. DO NOT TAKE INTERNALLY.

**Read MSDS before opening containers.**

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN**

### SURFACE PREPARATION:

Surface preparation should be carried out according to good painting practices. All dirt, grease, oil, wax, rust and other foreign matter must be removed. All metal surfaces must be primed.

### NEW SURFACES:

New wood, fiberboard and other surfaces having uneven or excess porosity should be sealed with Flame Control No. 3003 Acrylic Primer and allowed to completely dry before applying No. 20-20A. New ferrous metal surfaces must be primed. Apply Temperkote<sup>®</sup> H<sub>2</sub>O primer and allow to completely cure before applying No. 20-20A. **Note:** No. 20-20A will not give a fire resistive rating on metal surfaces.

### PREVIOUSLY PAINTED SURFACES:

No. 20-20A may be applied directly to existing paint that is tightly adherent and in good condition. All glossy surfaces should be dulled with sandpaper. Spot prime where necessary with appropriate primer as shown above, before applying No. 20-20A.



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## APPLICATION:

Mix paint thoroughly by boxing or stirring. Use full bodied coat for most applications; where thinning is necessary, use only water, not in excess of ½ pint per gallon. No. 20-20A can be applied by brush, roller, conventional or airless spray. Suggested coverage rate is 155 sq. ft./U.S. gallon (3.8 m<sup>2</sup>/L) applied in one or two coats To achieve a 30 minute rating, two coats is required. To conform with surface burning characteristics established for this paint, dilution of the paint should be compensated with reduced coverage rates. Do not apply when surface or air temperatures are below 50°F (10°C). Protect from freezing.

## APPLICATION EQUIPMENT:

### Airless Spray

### Titan 440 Impact (or Equivalent)

- Pump
- Fluid Pressure. . . . . 2250-2700 psi
- Manifold Filter . . . . . 60 Mesh
- Gun Filter . . . . . 60 Mesh
- Fluid Hose . . . . . ¼" diameter
- Gun . . . . . LX-80 II
- Tip. . . . . .017 - .023
- Reduction . . . . . Up to 6.25%  
(1/2 pint/gal)

## FIRE HAZARD CLASSIFICATION

Flame Spread Rating. Class "A" when tested in accordance with ASTM E-84 (NFPA 255), the coating obtained the following UNDERWRITERS LABORATORIES INC. AND UNDERWRITERS' LABORATORIES OF CANADA fire hazard classification.

### UL Certified Class "A" Flame Spread Rating

COATING (SYSTEM) DETAILS	CLASSIFICATION OR RATING (WHEN APPLIED TO DOUGLAS FIR)	
	Flame Spread	Smoke Developed
<b>PRIMER</b> – None <b>BASE COAT</b> – Type 20-20A applied in one coat at 155 sq. ft./U.S. gal. (3.8 m <sup>2</sup> /L) <b>TOP COAT</b> - None	5	35-65

### ASTM E-84-10 EXTENDED 30 MINUTE RATING

COATING (SYSTEM) DETAILS	CLASSIFICATION OR RATING (WHEN APPLIED TO DOUGLAS FIR)	
	Flame Spread	Smoke Developed
<b>PRIMER</b> – None <b>BASE COAT</b> – Type 20-20A applied in two coats at 155 sq. ft./U.S. gal. (3.8 m <sup>2</sup> /L) each. <b>TOP COAT</b> - None	0	35

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