



**Protective  
&  
Marine  
Coatings**

**MIL-DTL-24441/19C TYPE III  
F159 EPOXY POLYAMIDE ZINC RICH PRIMER**

**PART A            N10A359            CLEAR RESIN**  
**PART B            N10V359 GRAY/GREEN HARDENER**

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**PRODUCT INFORMATION**

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**PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

MIL-DTL-24441/19C Type III F159 is a two component, epoxy polyamide zinc rich primer. This product offers excellent cathodic protection as well as adhesion, water resistance, and chemical resistance.

**PRODUCT CHARACTERISTICS**

**Finish:** Flat  
**Color:** Gray Green, Formula 159  
**Volume Solids:** 64.6% ± 2%, mixed  
**Weight Solids:** 84.9% ± 2%, mixed  
**VOC (EPA Method 24):** Unreduced: <340 g/L; 2.80 lb/gal  
**Zinc Content in Dry Film:** 85% by weight  
**Mix Ratio:** 2 components, premeasured  
1:4 by volume, 2.5 gallon mix

**Recommended Spreading Rate per coat:**

	Minimum	Maximum
<b>Wet mils (microns)</b>	<b>5.0</b> (125)	<b>6.0</b> (150)
<b>Dry mils (microns)</b>	<b>3.0</b> (75)	<b>4.0</b> (100)
<b>~Coverage sq ft/gal (m<sup>2</sup>/L)</b>	<b>250</b> (6.1)	<b>336</b> (8.2)
<b>Theoretical coverage sq ft/gal (m<sup>2</sup>/L) @ 1 mil / 25 microns dft</b>	<b>1034</b> (25.3)	

*NOTE: Brush or roll application may require multiple coats to achieve maximum film thickness and uniformity of appearance.*

**Drying Schedule @ 5.0 mils wet (125 microns):**

	35-40°F (1.6-4.5°C)	41-60°F (4.5-16°C)	61-80°F (16-27°C)	81-100°F (27-38°C)
			<b>50% RH</b>	
<b>Dry to touch:</b>	12 hours	8 hours	6 hours	4 hours
<b>To recoat:</b>				
<b>minimum:</b>	24 hours	18 hours	12 hours	8 hours
<b>maximum:</b>	14 days	12 days	10 days	7 days
<b>Cure to service:</b>	6 days	5 days	4 days	64 hours
<b>Pot Life:</b>	4 hours at 77°F/25°C, 50% RH			
<b>Sweat-in-Time:</b>	@ 35-60°F (1.6-16°C): 2 hours			
	@ 61-70°F (16-21°C): 1-1.5 hours			
	@ 71-90°F (21-32°C): 30 minutes - 1 hour			
	@ 90°F+ (32°C+): none			

**Shelf Life:** 36 months, unopened  
Store indoors at 40°F (4.5°C) to 100°F (38°C)  
**Flash Point:** 100°F (38°C), PMCC, mixed  
**Reducer/Clean Up:** Hi-Flash Naphtha, R2K5

**RECOMMENDED USES**

For use on marine vessels over steel substrates to provide chemical and corrosion resistance.

- Complies with MIL-DTL-24441, F159, Type III.

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS**

- Complies with Military Specification MIL-DTL-24441, F159, Type III.
- For use where SCAQMD Rule 102 air pollution regulations for solvent in marine coatings apply.

Color	Product/Rex Number
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**RECOMMENDED SYSTEMS**

		Dry Film Thickness / ct.	
		Mils	(Microns)
<b>Steel:</b>			
1 ct.	MIL-DTL-24441/19C Type III F159 Primer	3.0-4.0	(75-100)
2 cts.	MIL-DTL-24441, Type III Epoxy	3.0-4.0	(75-100)
<b>Steel:</b>			
1 ct.	MIL-DTL-24441/19C Type III F159 Primer	3.0-4.0	(75-100)
2 cts.	MIL-DTL-24441, Type IV Epoxy	4.0-6.0	(100-150)

The systems listed above are representative of the product's use, other systems may be appropriate.

**SURFACE PREPARATION**

Surface must be clean, dry, and in sound condition. Remove all oil, dust, grease, dirt, loose rust, and other foreign material to ensure adequate adhesion.

Refer to product Application Bulletin for detailed surface preparation information.

Minimum recommended surface preparation:

Iron & Steel	
Atmospheric:	SSPC-SP6/NACE 3, 2.0 mil (50 micron) profile
Immersion:	SSPC-SP10/NACE 2, 1.0-3.0 mil (25-75 micron) profile

**Surface Preparation Standards**

Condition of Surface	ISO 8501-1 BS7079:A1	Swedish Std. SIS055900	SSPC	NACE
White Metal	Sa 3	Sa 3	SP 5	1
Near White Metal	Sa 2.5	Sa 2.5	SP 10	2
Commercial Blast	Sa 2	Sa 2	SP 6	3
Brush-Off Blast	Sa 1	Sa 1	SP 7	4
Hand Tool Cleaning	Rusted C St 2	C St 2	SP 2	-
Pitted & Rusted	D St 2	D St 2	SP 2	-
Rusted	C St 3	C St 3	SP 3	-
Power Tool Cleaning	Pitted & Rusted D St 3	D St 3	SP 3	-

**TINTING**

Do not tint.

**APPLICATION CONDITIONS**

Temperature:	
air and surface:	35°F (1.6°C) minimum, 100°F (38°C) maximum
material:	60°F (16°C) minimum
	At least 5°F (2.8°C) above dew point
Relative humidity:	85% maximum

Refer to product Application Bulletin for detailed application information.

**ORDERING INFORMATION**

Packaging:	
Part A:	1/2 gallon (1.89L)
Part B:	2 gallons (7.56L) in a 3 gallon (11.3L) container

Weight: 23.74 ± 0.5 lb/gal ; 2.85 Kg/L, mixed

**SAFETY PRECAUTIONS**

Refer to the SDS sheet before use.

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**WARRANTY**

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**SURFACE PREPARATIONS**

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**Iron & Steel (immersion service)**

Remove all oil and grease from surface by Solvent Cleaning per SSPC-SP1. Minimum surface preparation is Near White Metal Blast Cleaning per SSPC-SP10/NACE 2. Blast clean all surfaces using a sharp, angular abrasive for optimum surface profile (1-3 mils / 25-75 microns). Remove all weld spatter and round all sharp edges. Prime any bare steel the same day as it is cleaned or before flash rusting occurs.

**Iron & Steel (atmospheric service)**

Remove all oil and grease from surface by Solvent Cleaning per SSPC-SP1. Minimum surface preparation is Commercial Blast Cleaning per SSPC-SP6. For better performance, use Near White Metal Blast Cleaning per SSPC-SP10/NACE 2. Blast clean all surfaces using a sharp, angular abrasive for optimum surface profile (2 mils / 50 microns). Remove all weld spatter and round all sharp edges. Prime any bare steel the same day as it is cleaned or before flash rusting occurs.

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Relative humidity: 85% maximum

**APPLICATION EQUIPMENT**

The following is a guide. Changes in pressures and tip sizes may be needed for proper spray characteristics. Always purge spray equipment before use with listed reducer. Any reduction must be compliant with existing VOC regulations and compatible with the existing environmental and application conditions.

**Reducer/Clean Up** .....Hi-Flash Naphtha, R2K5

**Airless Spray**

(use Teflon packings and continuous agitation)

Pressure.....2000 - 3000 psi  
Hose.....3/8" ID  
Tip .....019"  
Filter .....none  
Reduction.....As needed up to 5% by volume

**Conventional Spray**

(continuous agitation required)

Gun .....Binks 95  
Fluid Nozzle .....68  
Air Nozzle.....68P  
Atomization Pressure.....50 psi  
Fluid Pressure.....20 psi  
Reduction.....As needed up to 5% by volume

Keep pressure pot at level of applicator to avoid blocking of fluid line due to weight of material. Blow back coating in fluid line at intermittent shutdowns, but continue agitation at pressure pot.

**Brush**

Brush.....Small areas only; Natural Bristle  
Reduction.....Not recommended

If specific application equipment is not listed above, equivalent equipment may be substituted.

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Surface preparation must be completed as indicated.

Mix contents of Part B thoroughly with low speed power agitation. Make certain no pigment remains on the bottom of the can. Then combine one part by volume of Part A with four parts by volume of Part B. Thoroughly agitate the mixture with power agitation. After mixing, pour through a 60 mesh screen. Allow the material to sweat-in as indicated below prior to application. Re-stir before using. Continuous agitation of mixture during application is required, otherwise zinc dust will quickly settle out.

If reducer solvent is used, add only after both components have been thoroughly mixed, after sweat-in.

Apply paint at the recommended film thickness and spreading rate as indicated below:

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Application of coating above maximum or below minimum recommended spreading rate may adversely affect coating performance.

**CLEAN UP INSTRUCTIONS**

Clean spills and spatters immediately with Hi-Flash Naphtha, R2K5. Clean tools immediately after use with Hi-Flash Naphtha, R2K5. Follow manufacturer's safety recommendations when using any solvent.

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**PERFORMANCE TIPS**

Stripe coat all crevices, welds, and sharp angles to prevent early failure in these areas.

When using spray application, use a 50% overlap with each pass of the gun to avoid holidays, bare areas, and pinholes. If necessary, cross spray at a right angle

Spreading rates are calculated on volume solids and do not include an application loss factor due to surface profile, roughness or porosity of the surface, skill and technique of the applicator, method of application, various surface irregularities, material lost during mixing, spillage, overthinning, climatic conditions, and excessive film build.

Excessive reduction of material can affect film build, appearance, and adhesion.

Do not apply the material beyond recommended pot life.

Do not mix previously catalyzed material with new.

In order to avoid blockage of spray equipment, clean equipment before use or before periods of extended downtime with Hi-Flash Naphtha, R2K5.

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