Transpoxy Unicote BT

Product code:
TO 4.33

Transpoxy Unicote BT is a surface tolerant epoxy for usage in high corrosive conditions onshore and offshore. The product can accept a lower degree of surface preparation if blast cleaning is not possible or desired. Transpoxy Unicote BT can be applied over Powertool cleaned substrate as well as UHP water jetted substrate.
The product is exceptionally suitable for repairs in and refurbishment of water ballast tanks and can be applied to damp substrates. As such, Transpoxy Unicote BT has passed the Turkish Navy specifications for ballast tank protection. The product offers good application properties and can be used down to -5°C.

Physical properties:

Colour	Aluminium, Light grey, Redbrown, Cream
Gloss / Appearance	Semi-gloss
Volume Solids	Approx. 78 %
Specific gravity	Approx. 1.4 g/ml
VOC	Approx. 195 g/liter
Flashpoint	Both base and hardener >25°C

Usage data:

Mixing ratio 80:20 [4:1]

Film thickness	Dry film thickness per coat (µm)	Wet film thickness per coat (µm)	Theoretical spreading rate (m²/l)
Range	100 - 400	130 - 510	7.8 - 2
Recommended	160	205	4.9

Curing Times	Substrate temperature			
	10°C	20°C	30°C	
Touch dry	6 Hours	3 Hours	1 Hour	
Dry to handle	18 Hours	9 Hours	6 Hours	
Full cure	12 Days	8 Days	6 Days	
Potlife	8 Hours	4 Hours	2 Hour	

Drying and curing times are determined under controlled temperatures and relative humidity below 85 %, and at average of the DFT range for the product and should be considered as guidelines only.
The actual drying time may be shorter or longer, depending on film thickness, temperature, ventilation, humidity, preceding paint system etc.

Recoating intervals - see application section

	Substrate temperature							
	10°C		20°C		30°C			
Recoated with	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Single pack products								
2-pack products	18 Hours	Indefinite	9 Hours	Indefinite	6 Hours	Indefinite		

Recoating information is for guidance only and varies with local climate and environmental conditions. For specific recommendations, consult your local Transocean representative.
Best intercoat adhesion is achieved when the subsequent coat is applied before the preceding coat has fully cured. Extended recoating intervals apply only to ambient atmospheric exposure. After prolonged exposure, roughen the surface to ensure intercoat adhesion.

Surface Preparation:

Steel - Blast cleaning
All surfaces should be clean, dry and free from contamination. Surfaces should be treated in accordance with ISO 8504:2000.
All edges shall be ground to a minimum radius of 2 mm. Remove weld spatter and smooth weld seams by using disc grinders, chipping hammers or other suitable power tools. Sharp edges, weld seams, corners and other areas that are likely to receive less dry film thickness than specified, should be stripe coated. The surfaces shall be blast-cleaned to min. Sa 2½ (ISO 8501-1:2007). The surface profile and the anchor pattern shall be between 40 µm and 70 µm. The abrasives shall be free from oil, grease, moisture, chloride contamination etc.

Steel - Power-tool Cleaning
All surfaces should be clean, dry and free from contamination. Surfaces should be treated in accordance with ISO 8504:2000. Power-tool cleaning to St 3 (ISO 8501-1:2007). Care shall be taken to ensure that power-tool cleaning does not polish the steel surface. If the surface being prepared lies adjacent to a coated surface, the power tool cleaning shall overlap the coated surface by at least 25 mm and the coated surface shall be feathered.

Water jetting
Surfaces should be treated in accordance with ISO 8504-1:2001. All surfaces should be clean, dry and free from contamination. Water jetting in accordance to ISO 8501-4: 2021 to a cleanliness of Wa 2 or better for atmospheric exposure and Wa 2,5 for immersion. Acceptable flash rust degree is M (medium) but degree L (light) is preferred. A water pressure of at least of 1000 bar (approx. 15.000 psi) is recommended.

Coated substrates
All surfaces should be clean, dry and free from contamination. Surfaces should be treated in accordance with ISO 8504. Ensure compatibility of the coated substrates with the selected paint system. If the remaining part of the existing coating system needs to be sweep-blasted, fine abrasive shall be used to avoid damage to the coating system. When recoating aged coated substrates, damaged areas must be removed back to a firm edge. Light abrade or sweep-blast the surface in order to provide a physical key for adhesion.
When recoating zinc primed products, ensure the primer has been fully cured. Zinc salts products shall be removed by high pressure fresh water cleaning. Contact your local Transocean office for more information.

Application:

Mixing:

Conditions:

The relative humidity should be <90% during application and curing, unless otherwise specified in the product documentation. The substrate temperature should be ≥5°C and ≥3°C above the dew point of the air. Air temperature and relative humidity should be measured at substrate.
Generally, the maximum recommended surface temperature is 40°C. Higher substrate temperatures are acceptable provided dryspray is avoided by proper spray application and extra thinning if required. In extreme cases it may be necessary to reduce film thickness in order to avoid sagging.

Methods:

Guiding data Airless spray	Pressure at nozzle	180 – 250 bar
		0.41 - 0.58 mm. (0.016 - 0.023 in.)
	Spray angle	40 - 80 degrees
	Volume of thinner	0 - 5%
Guiding data Airspray	Pressure	Not applicable
	Nozzle size	-
	Volume of thinner	-
Brush / Roller	Suitable for stripe coats and touch-up work only.	
Thinner	Transocean Epoxy Thinner 6.03 If thinning is necessary, this should be added after mixing of the two components. The recommended level of thinner is dependent on thickness and conditions. In certain circumstances, it may be required to exceed the stated level of thinner. However, as a general rule do avoid excessive thinning as it will result in lower sag resistance and slower cure. In addition it may cause solvent entrapment, possibly risking blistering, pinholing and/or other coating defects.	
Cleaner	Transocean Epoxy Thinner 6.03	

Additional usage instructions

As stated above, for repair jobs, powertool cleaning and (ultra) high pressure water jetting are acceptable surface preparation methods. After preparing the substrate to the specified standard, a Bresle test (ISO 8502-6: 2006) should be carried out to determine the residual salt level remaining on the substrate.
The salt level should be well below 100 mg/ sq.m. If not, the substrate should be fresh water cleaned or high pressure water jetted, allowed to dry and salt level to be measured again.
The product is tolerates damp substrates which means no visible water should be noticed on the surface. When touching the surface by hand, the hand should not become wet.
It is highly recommended to start with the aluminium pigmented shade as a first coat. Total system dryfilmthickness for ballast tank appplication should be at least 320 micron DFT.

Additional Product information:

Storage and shelf life

Storage: Store the product in compliance with national regulations in a dry, cool, well-ventilated area, away from heat and ignition sources. Keep materials in tightly closed original containers until use. Securely re-seal partially used containers and store as recommended. (See Section 7 of the relevant SDS.)

Shelf life: The stated value is a minimum; refer to “Guidance to Transocean Coatings Product Datasheets” for details.
Shelflife: Months

Health and safety

Observe the safety warnings on the container label. A Safety Data Sheet (SDS) is available upon request.Comply with all applicable national and local safety regulations.
For professional use only. Wear appropriate PPE (overalls, gloves, goggles, respiratory protection, etc.) to avoid skin and eye contact.
Spraying should be carried out under well-ventilated conditions. If the product is flammable (see label/SDS), keep away from sparks, open flames, and heat sources. No smoking in the work area.
Avoid inhaling vapors and particulates. Maintain airborne concentrations below Occupational Exposure Limits (OEL) through adequate natural ventilation during application and drying.
In enclosed areas with insufficient ventilation, use local exhaust ventilation. If this is not feasible, wear a suitable respirator. Users must be trained in its proper use and limitations.

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- Conduct their own trials to verify the product’s suitability for their specific application and intended purpose.
- Confirm compatibility with intended substrates and conditions, which are beyond our control.
- Implement appropriate quality control procedures during application.
- Verify suitability for circumstances not covered in this Data Sheet.

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