

# SIGMACOVER 300 LT

(SIGMA TCN-LT 300)

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**DESCRIPTION**

two component high build polyamine adduct cured coaltar epoxy primer/  
coating

**PRINCIPAL CHARACTERISTICS**

- outstanding sea water resistance (outside hull and ballast tanks)
- excellent corrosion resistance
- good resistance against chemically polluted water
- can be applied and cures at temperatures down to -10°C
- rapid throughput of work can be maintained even at low temperatures
- resistant to well designed cathodic protection

**COLOURS AND GLOSS**

black, brown - eggshell

**BASIC DATA AT 10°C**

(1 g/cm<sup>3</sup> = 8.25 lb/US gal; 1 m<sup>2</sup>/l = 40.7 ft<sup>2</sup>/US gal)  
(data for mixed product)

Mass density	1.5 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Volume solids	71 ± 2%
VOC (supplied)	max. 207 g/kg (Directive 1999/13/EC, SED) max. 305 g/l (approx. 2.5 lb/gal)
Recommended dry film thickness	125 - 250 µm
Theoretical spreading rate	5.7 m <sup>2</sup> /l for 125 µm, 2.8 m <sup>2</sup> /l for 250 µm *
Touch dry after	6 hours
Overcoating interval	min. 12 hours * max. see overcoating table *
Full cure after	7 days *
	(data for components)
Shelf life (cool and dry place)	at least 12 months
Flash point	base 26°C, hardener 26°C * see additional data

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## RECOMMENDED SUBSTRATE CONDITIONS AND TEMPERATURES

- **for immersion in water, with or without cathodic protection**
  - steel; blast cleaned to ISO-Sa2½
  - steel with approved zinc silicate shop primer; sweep blasted to SPSS-Ss or power tool cleaned to SPSS-Pt3
  - existing suitable epoxy coating or coaltar epoxy coating; in sound condition and sufficiently roughened and free from any contamination
- **for atmospheric exposure conditions:**
  - steel; blast cleaned to ISO-Sa2 or ISO-Sa2½
  - steel with approved shop primer; power tool cleaned to SPSS-Pt2 or SPSS-Pt3
  - existing suitable epoxy coating or coaltar epoxy coating; in sound condition and sufficiently roughened and free from any contamination
- substrate temperature should be between -10°C up to 15°C during application and curing and at least 3°C above dew point and free from ice and any contamination
- during application and curing a substrate temperature down to -10°C is possible, but curing to hardness takes longer and complete resistance will be reached when temperature increases
- maximum relative humidity during application and curing is 85%

## SYSTEM SPECIFICATION

marine

system sheets 3101, 3106

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

mixing ratio by volume: base to hardener 86 : 14

- the temperature of the mixed base and hardener should preferably be above 5°C, otherwise extra solvent may be required to obtain application viscosity
- too much solvent results in reduced sag resistance and slower cure
- thinner should be added after mixing the components

Induction time

none

Pot life

6 hours at 10°C \*

\* see additional data

## AIRLESS SPRAY

Recommended thinner

Sigma thinner 91-79

Volume of thinner

0 - 5% for a dft of 250 µm

10 - 15% for a dft of 125 µm

Nozzle orifice

approx. 0.53 - 0.64 mm (= 0.021 - 0.025 in)

Nozzle pressure

15 MPa (= approx. 150 bar; 2130 p.s.i.)

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## AIR SPRAY

Recommended thinner Sigma thinner 91-79  
 Volume of thinner 5 - 10%, depending on required thickness and application conditions  
 Nozzle orifice 1.5 - 3 mm  
 Nozzle pressure 0.2 - 0.4 MPa (= approx. 2 - 4 bar; 28 - 57 p.s.i.)

## BRUSH/ROLLER

Recommended thinner only for touch up and spot repair  
 Sigma thinner 91-79  
 Volume of thinner 0 - 5%

## CLEANING SOLVENT

Sigma thinner 90-53

## SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

for paint and recommended thinners see safety sheets 1430, 1431 and relevant material safety data sheets

this is a solvent based paint and care should be taken to avoid inhalation of spray mist or vapour as well as contact between the wet paint and exposed skin or eyes

## ADDITIONAL DATA

### *Film thickness and spreading rate*

theoretical	5.7	2.8
spreading rate m <sup>2</sup> /l		
dft in µm	125	250

max. dft when brushing (touch up and spot repair): 70 µm

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with SigmaCover 300 and SigmaCover 510 and other compatible paints

**Overcoating table for dft up to 125 µm**

substrate temperature	-10°C	0°C	10°C	15°C
minimum interval	48 hours	24 hours	12 hours	8 hours
maximum interval when exposed to direct sunshine	15 days	5 days	3 days	2 days
maximum interval when <b>not</b> exposed to direct sunshine	30 days	30 days	30 days	20 days

- surface should be dry and free from any contamination and ice
- when overcoated with other paints, tar bleeding will occur
- when overcoating work is to be carried out on coats thicker than 125 µm applied in one coat, the minimum overcoating interval must be extended as follows:
  - for 250 µm : 2 times as long
  - for 375 µm : 3 times as long
  - for 500 µm : 4 times as long
- adequate ventilation must be maintained during application and curing (please refer to sheet 1433 and 1434)
- when application has to be executed at low temperature care should be taken that the temperature of the mixed paint is at least 15°C, the induction time should be increased to at least one hour

**Curing table for dft of 125 µm**

substrate temperature	initial cure for exposure to seawater and to slightly polluted atmosphere	dry to handle	full cure for immersion in polluted water or crude oil
-10°C	12 days	72 hours	--
-5°C	7 days	48 hours	21 days
0°C	5 days	30 hours	15 days
5°C	3 days	20 hours	10 days
10°C	48 hours	12 hours	7 days
15°C	42 hours	8 hours	5 days

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### *Pot life (at application viscosity)*

5°C	8 hours
10°C	6 hours

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### **REFERENCES**

Explanation to product data sheets	see information sheet 1411
Safety indications	see information sheet 1430
Safety in confined spaces and health safety	
Explosion hazard - toxic hazard	see information sheet 1431
Safe working in confined spaces	see information sheet 1433
Directives for ventilation practice	see information sheet 1434

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