Selection & Specification Data

Generic Type
Modified aluminum epoxy mastic

Description
Aluminum-pigmented, low-stress, high-solids mastic with outstanding performance properties and proven field history. Carbomastic 15 was the pioneer mastic coating in a number of industrial markets and today still provides unmatched levels of barrier protection and corrosion resistance over existing finishes and rusted or SSPC-SP2 or SP3-cleaned steel.

Features
- Excellent performance over minimal surface preparation of steel substrates
- Suitable as a topcoat for most tightly adhered existing coatings
- Excellent choice for field touch-up of zinc-rich primers and galvanized steel
- Unique formulation with aluminum flakes provides exceptional barrier protection
- May be applied at 35°F (2°C) when CM 15 FC's part B is utilized.
- VOC compliant to current AIM regulations

Color
CM 15: Aluminum (C901); Red (M500)*
CM 15 FC: Aluminum (C901); Red (M500)*

Color variations within a batch and from batch-to-batch may occur due to the metallic pigments and variations in application techniques and conditions. Neither product is color matched, nor will they match each other. (15 FC may have a greenish appearance.) *Red (M500) is available for use as a contrasting primer in multiple coat applications, but should always be topcoated.

Primers
Self-priming. May be applied over most tightly adhering coatings as well as inorganic zinc primers. A mist coat may be required to minimize bubbling over inorganic zinc primers.

Topcoats
Acrylics, Alkyds, Epoxyes, Polyurethanes

Dry Film Thickness
3.0 mils (75 microns) over existing coatings and 5.0 mils (125 microns) minimum on rusted steel. 7.0-10.0 mils (175-250 microns) in one or two coats for severe exposures. Do not exceed 10.0 mils (250 microns) in a single coat.

Solids Content
By Volume: 90% ± 2%

Theoretical Coverage Rate
1444 mil ft² (36.0 m²/l at 25 microns)
288 ft² at 5 mils (7.2 m²/l at 125 microns)
Allow for loss in mixing and application

VOC Values
As supplied: 0.7 lbs/gal (88 g/l)
Thinned:
32 oz/gal w/ #76: 1.9 lbs/gal (231 g/l)
32 oz/gal w/ #10: 2.0 lbs/gal (242 g/l)
These are nominal values.

HAPS Values
As supplied: 0.70 lbs/solid gal

Dry Temp. Resistance
Continuous: 180°F (82°C)
Non-Continuous: 250°F (121°C)
Discoloration is observed above 180°F (82°C).

Substrates & Surface Preparation

General
Surfaces must be clean and dry. Employ adequate methods to remove dirt, dust, oil and all other contaminants that could interfere with adhesion of the coating.

Steel
Immersion: SSPC-SP10 with a 2.0-3.0 mil (50-75 micron) surface profile.
Non-Immersion: SSPC-SP6 with a 2.0-3.0 mil (50-75 micron) surface profile for maximum protection. SSPC-SP2, SP3, SP7, or SP12 are also acceptable methods

Galvanized Steel
For optimum performance sweep blast cleaning is recommended. Consult your Carboline Sales Representative for specific recommendations.

Previously Painted Surfaces
Lightly sand or abrasive to roughen and degloss the surface. Existing paint must attain a minimum 3A rating in accordance with ASTM D3359 “X-Scribe” adhesion test.

Performance Data

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<td>Blasted steel 1 ct. CM15</td>
<td>A) Conical - crack 0.38&quot;, actual elongation 48.57% Cylindrical - no cracking observed</td>
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Test reports and additional data available upon written request.

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Application Equipment

Listed below are general equipment guidelines for the application of this product. Job site conditions may require modifications to these guidelines to achieve the desired results.

General guidelines:

- Spray Application (General): The following spray equipment has been found suitable and is available from manufacturers such as Binks, DeVilbiss and Graco.
- Conventional Spray: Pressure pot equipped with dual regulators, 3/8" I.D. minimum material hose, .086" I.D. fluid tip and appropriate air cap.
- Airless Spray:
  - Pump Ratio: 30:1 (min.)*
  - GPM Output: 3.0 (min.)
  - Material Hose: 3/8" I.D. (min.)
  - Tip Size: .015-.025"
  - Output PSI: 1900-2100
  - Filter Size: 60 mesh
  *Teflon packings are recommended and available from the pump manufacturer.

Brush & Roller

- Multiple coats may be required to obtain desired appearance, recommended dry film thickness and adequate hiding. Avoid excessive re-brushing or re-rolling. Use clean natural bristle brush or medium nap phenolic core roller. Work coating into all irregularities.

Plural Component

- May be applied by plural component spray equipment. Contact Carboline Technical Service for specific recommendations.

Mixing & Thinning

- Mixing: Power mix separately, then combine and power mix. DO NOT MIX PARTIAL KITS.
- Ratio: 1:1 Ratio (A to B)
- Thinning: May be thinned up to 32 oz/gal (25%) with Thinner #10. Substitute Thinner #72 when non-photochemically reactive thinners are desired. To extend pot life, may be thinned up to 32 oz/gal (25%) with Thinner #76. Use of thinners other than those supplied by Carboline may adversely affect product performance and void product warranty, whether expressed or implied.
- Pot Life:
  - CM 15: 2 Hours at 75°F (24°C) unthinned
  - CM 15 FC: 1 Hour at 90°F (32°C) unthinned
- Pot Life: Approximately 30 minutes at 75°F (24°C) unthinned. When thinned 12%, pot life will be 45 minutes at 75°F. Pot life ends when coating becomes too viscous to use.

Cleanup & Safety

- Cleanup: Use Thinner #2 or Acetone. In case of spillage, absorb and dispose of in accordance with local applicable regulations.
- Safety: Read and follow all caution statements on this product data sheet and on the MSDS for this product. Employ normal workmanlike safety precautions. Hypersensitive persons should wear protective clothing, gloves and use protective cream on face, hands and all exposed areas.
- Ventilation: When used as a tank lining or in enclosed areas, thorough air circulation must be used during and after application until the coating is cured. The ventilation system should be capable of preventing the solvent vapor concentration from reaching the lower explosion limit for the solvents used. In addition to ensuring proper ventilation, appropriate respirators must be used by all application personnel.
- Caution: This product contains flammable solvents. Keep away from sparks and open flames. All electrical equipment and installations should be made and grounded in accordance with the National Electric Code. In areas where explosion hazards exist, workmen should be required to use non-ferrous tools and wear conductive and non-sparking shoes.

Application Conditions

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This product simply requires the substrate temperature to be above the dew point. Condensation due to substrate temperatures below the dew point can cause flash rusting on prepared steel and interfere with proper adhesion to the substrate. Special application techniques may be required above or below normal application conditions.

Curing Schedule

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These times are based on a 5.0-7.0 mil (125-175 micron) dry film thickness. Higher film thickness, insufficient ventilation or cooler temperatures will require longer cure times and could result in solvent entrapment and premature failure. Excessive humidity or condensation on the surface during curing can interfere with the cure, can cause discoloration and may result in a surface haze. Any haze or blush must be removed by water washing before recoating. If the maximum recoat time is exceeded, the surface must be abraded by sweep blasting prior to the application of additional coats. Note: This product contains conductive pigments and cannot be holiday tested.

Packaging, Handling & Storage

Shipping Weight (Approximate):
- 2 Gallon Kit: 25 lbs (11 kg)
- 10 Gallon Kit: 124 lbs (56 kg)

Flash Point (Setaflash):
- CM 15: Part A: >200°F (93°C)
- CM 15 FC: Part B: >200°F (93°C)

Storage (General):
- Store indoors.

Storage Temperature & Humidity:
- 45°-110°F (7-43°C)
- 0%-90% Relative Humidity

Shelf Life:
- CM 15: Part A & B: Min. 36 months at 75°F (24°C)
- CM 15 FC: Part A & B: Min. 36 months at 75°F (24°C)

*Shelf Life: (actual stated shelf life) when kept at recommended storage conditions and in original unopened containers.

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