**Exterior Alkyd Solid Color Stain**

A14W00550 Snowcap White
A14W00553 Deep Base
A14T00554 Ultradeep Base

### CHARACTERISTICS

**Exterior Alkyd Solid Color Stain** provides a lasting, mildew resistant film for protecting many exterior wood surfaces.

- **Color:** Solid Color Stains
- **Coverage:** 200 - 300 sq ft/gal @ 5-8 mils wet; 3-4.7 mils dry Depending on porosity and texture
- **Drying Time, @ 77°F, 50% RH:** temperature and humidity dependent
  - Touch: 6 hours
  - Recoat: 24 hours
- **Finish:** 0-5 units @ 85°
- **Tinting with Blend-A-Color:**
  - Base oz/gal Strength
  - Snowcap White 0-6 SherColor
  - Deep Base 4-12 SherColor
  - Ultradeep Base 10-12 SherColor

### SPECIFICATIONS

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<td>Due to the wide variety of wood species and their properties, a test sample should be applied to ensure adhesion, compatibility and performance prior to full scale application.</td>
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### SURFACE PREPARATION

**WARNING!** Removal of old coatings by sanding, scraping or other means may generate dust or fumes that contain lead. Exposure to lead dust or fumes may cause brain damage or other adverse health effects, especially in children or pregnant women. Controlling exposure to lead or other hazardous substances requires the use of proper protective equipment, such as a properly fitted respirator (NIOSH approved) and proper containment and cleanup. For more information, call the National Lead Information Center at 1-800-424-LEAD (in US) or contact your local health authority.

Remove all surface contamination by washing with an appropriate cleaner, rinse thoroughly and allow to dry. Existing peeled or checked paint should be scraped and sanded to a sound surface. Glossy surfaces should be sanded dull. Stains from water, smoke, ink, pencil, grease, etc. should be sealed with the appropriate primer/sealer. Test the absorbency of the wood by sprinkling water on the surface. If the water penetrates into the wood quickly, the wood is ready to finish. If the water beads up or does not penetrate, allow the wood to weather and test for absorbency again. Recognize that any surface preparation short of total removal of the old coating may compromise the service length of the system.

**Caulking**

Applying appropriate caulking and patching material to cracks, nail holes, or other surface imperfections. Filled areas will take the stain differently than bare wood. Consider using a caulk that is a color similar to the stain color.

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**Mill Glaze** is a glossy finish on new, smooth sawn wood or on the peaks of some textured wood. This must be removed by sanding to allow the stain to penetrate.

**Pressure Treated Wood**

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**Smooth or Rough Wood Siding Plywood**

Sand any exposed, weathered wood to a fresh surface. Replace any deteriorated wood. Some woods, such as redwood and cedar, contain a high amount of tannin, a colored wood extract. This product may show tannin discoloration bleed, in severe cases and at some knots, a coat of Exterior Oil-Based Wood Primer may be needed prior to staining.

**APPLICATION**

| Thoroughly stir contents before and occasionally during use. For uniformity, mix all cans together before use. Do not thin or mix with any other stains or coatings. Apply without thinning by brush, roller, pump sprayer or dip. When spraying and dipping, be sure to “back brush” to ensure uniform coverage. Penetration will vary depending on porosity and water content of the surface. Thoroughly coat cut ends and joints. |

For best results apply in shade with surface temperatures between 50°F and 90°F. Do not apply if temperatures will fall below 40°F or if rain is expected within 24 hours after application. Cooler temperatures require longer drying times.

**TIPS**

Stains tend to lap (dark lines where two freshly coated areas overlap). These tips will help avoid lap marks and keep the appearance uniform:

- Do not stain in direct sun or on a hot surface.
- Stain from a dry area into the adjoining wet stain area.
- Keep the leading edge wet and distribute the finish evenly.
- Use natural breaks as boundaries to divide large areas into smaller, more manageable ones.
- Stain a board from end to end.
- Stain up and down vertical siding and across horizontal siding.
- Use two coats on badly weathered or unfinished wood.
- Apply a second coat if lap marks appear on the first coat.

**CAUTIONS**

For exterior use only. Not for use on roofs, decks, or other surfaces where water will accumulate. For wood decks and patios, use SuperDeck Stains.

**CLEANUP INFORMATION**

Clean spills, spatters and tools immediately after use with compliant cleanup solvent. Follow manufacturer’s safety recommendations when using solvents.

**DANGER**

Rags, steel wool, other waste soaked with this product, and sanding residue may spontaneously catch fire if improperly discarded. Immediately place rags, steel wool, other waste soaked with this product, and sanding residue in a sealed, water-filled, metal container. Dispose of in accordance with local fire regulations.

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