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Introduction Valspar Putties

We will soon be introducing a new Valspar putty, the Valspar Uni Putty Lightweight 601013. This is a universal lightweight filler that replaces the following De Beer Refinish putties:

Product name	Product code:
Polyester Putty Universal	1-900/1.5
Polyester Putty Fine	1-910/1.9
Polyester Putty Standard	1-930/2
Polyester Putty Soft	1-960/2

This Valspar Uni Putty is a new money-saving lightweight putty. The product has been developed specifically for filling and smoothing out dents and irregularities, without the putty sagging. The Valspar Uni Putty is easy to sand, infrared compatible and adheres incredibly well to: steel, galvanised steel, aluminium, rigid and semi-rigid fibreglass and plastic (spot repair). Contact the Sales Office of Valspar bv for your sample at phone number 0031 (0)320 292234.

The following putties will also be changing name and product code:

Old product name	New product name	Old prod. code	New prod. code
Polyester Glassfibre Putty	Valspar Glassfibre Putty	1-940/1.5	604015
Polyester Putty Aluminium	Valspar Aluminium Putty	1-970/1.9	607019
Polyester Spray Filler	Valspar Spray Putty	1-980/1	608010

The formula of these products has not been changed, only their names and codes. The N.C. Car Filler 6-022 remains unchanged and can still be ordered using product code 6-022/1.

HS Scratch Resistant Clear Coat

We have noticed an increasing demand for smaller packages in the market. This is why the HS Scratch Resistant Clear Coat 8-214, aside from the 5-litre can, is now also available in a 1-litre can. The corresponding hardeners, HS Hardener Fast and HS Hardener Standard, aside from the 2.5 and 1 litre cans, can now also be ordered in a 0.5-litre can. You can order these products using the following product codes:

Product name	Product code
HS Scratch Resistant Clear Coat	8-214/1
HS Hardener Fast	8-140/5
HS Hardener Standard	8-150/5

De Beer Refinish advertisements

We have designed three new De Beer Refinish advertisements, which we will be using worldwide. You will find the three advertisements below. The text will be standard in English, but you can, of course, enter the text in your own language. There is also enough space to add your own company logo and/or contact details.

For more information about the advertisements, please contact the marketing department of Valspar bv at phone number 0031 (0)320-292251.



Improved WaterBase Degreaser

Preparation before spray-painting a car is very important to get good results. To make the last steps of the preparation process easier, removing dust and grease of the object you wish to spray, De Beer Refinish has improved its WaterBase Degreaser 9-851. In the past there had been some problems with wipe-marks, which are now a thing of the past, thanks to our improved formula. The cleaning properties remain unchanged, light greasy stains, possible road salt residue and other water-soluble dirt, can easily be removed. The new formula still remains within the prescribed VOC limits.

The degreaser can be used with a spray or by using cloths drenched in degreaser. After rubbing the area dry, no residue remains. Possible overspray or areas that were not rubbed dry completely, will not be visible in the next spray coat.

Spout for 5-litre cans

For some time now you have been able to order a spout for the 5-litre cans from us.

This spout makes it easier to pour the product out of the can, and makes it possible to dose the product much more accurately.

You can order the spout using product number VD100.

Alongside is a picture of the spout.



Change in labelling colour WaterBase thinners

Last month you received a booklet from us explaining which label colour is used for which product group. Since recently, however, 2 products form an exception to this, being the WaterBase Thinner 9-151 and the WaterBase Thinner Slow 9-161. The labels of these thinners were yellow, just like the other thinners, but will now be blue. We have decided to make the labels of both 9-151 and 9-161 blue just like the WaterBase 900 Series, because the 9-151 and 9-161 can only be used in combination with the WaterBase 900 Series.

Sealed drums

Since 1 January 2009, we have been shipping all 200-litre drums with seals. These seals offer you an extra guarantee that nothing has happened to the drums during transport.

The picture shows a 200-litre drum with seals.



Error message weekly update ICRIS 6.6.1

It is possible that you will receive an error message in ICRIS 6.6.1, causing you to be unable to use the program that day. This is because of the weekly update message for ICRIS. The error message is most common for computers running an old operating system like, for example, Windows 98. These machines use a version of Internet Explorer that is lower than version 5.5. To fix the error message, you will need to install Internet Explorer 5.5 or higher. Even if your computer is not connected to the internet, it is still important that you install Internet Explorer 5.5 or higher.

The English version of Internet Explorer 5.5 can be found on the second ICRIS CD-ROM. We recommend that you install a version of Internet Explorer (5.5 or higher) that uses the same language as your Windows environment. If you are not able to get this, you can install the English version. We can not offer you any service with installing Internet Explorer.

Updates

From the beginning of March the following additions/updates will be issued:

ICRIS CD-ROM version 6.7.0

Connex CD-ROM

Addition Colour Box 9 (*)

Motor vehicle colour chart: Chart No. 23

In March the updates registered to you will be added to your current orders. If you have no current orders, we will send the updates separately. Please contact us if you have not received them by mid-May.

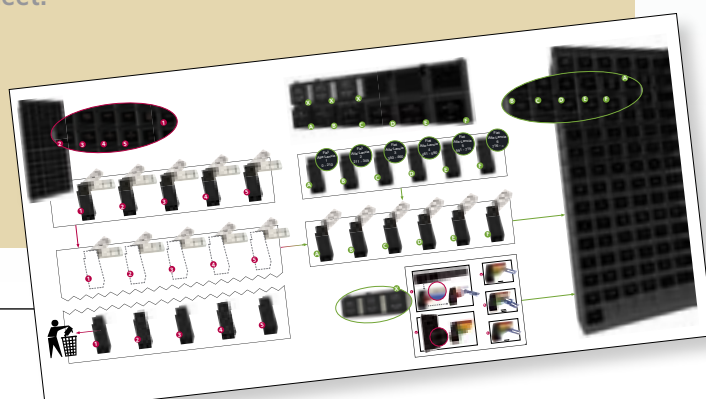


Colour Box (*)

It is necessary to expand the number of colour fans with 1 as a result of Colour Box update 9. The Fiat, Alfa and Lancia now have 6 fans instead of 5.

As you know, ICRIS refers to the correct fan number for every colour included in the Colour Box. Everybody must transfer the same colour chips to ensure that these references are also correct after the new fans are put into service. You will also receive an instruction sheet for transferring the colour chips and for adding the new fans using Colour Box update 9 as well as the new fan (provided with labels with the new division).

The photo shows an example of the instruction sheet.



De Beer at SEMA

The annual tuning fair SEMA took place in Las Vegas from 4 to 7 November 2008. Valspar has been present at this fair for a number of years with a stand of House of Kolor, the Valspar Automotive brand that focuses exclusively on the custom paint market. The stand was even bigger and more colourful than previous years. Not only did they show cars and motorbikes, but also a tool box, fridge, skateboards and snowboards spray-painted using House of Kolor. This year visitors could not only look at objects made using House of Kolor, they could even have a real tattoo done of the House of Kolor logo, a coloured scarab! People were eagerly seizing this opportunity and the three tattoo artists were busy continuously with a waiting list that was filled soon after the stand opened.

De Beer Refinish was present at SEMA this year for the first time. In the House of Kolor stand De Beer offered brochures, paint samples and a mixing machine.



100 years De Beer

Next year De Beer will be celebrating their 100-year anniversary, which we, of course, will not let pass unnoticed. To make it a special year, we are asking for your help as well. If you have any old photos, brochures, advertising material or a nice anecdote, please send them to Valspar bv in Lelystad or one of the following email addresses: dsaegher@valspar.com or jelbertsen@valspar.com.



Sunrise children's village

Just like previous years, Valspar bv has decided to donate to a charity instead of sending promotional gifts. For the third year Sunrise children's village was chosen, to which Valspar bv donated € 30.000,-. Sunrise children's village helps orphan children in Cambodia. Among other things, the foundation builds schools and makes sure education is provided.

Thanks in part to our donation last year, the foundation is able to build a new centre for 140 children in the south of Cambodia. A large number of children who are HIV positive will be cared for here. As HIV is a growing problem in Cambodia, Sunrise children's village cares for an increasing number of children with HIV and supports

them through various projects for children with HIV. Sunrise children's village also supports two projects helping homeless children and a children's hospital.



Valspar bv holds this organization very dear.

Product codes mixing machines

To prevent misunderstandings, we advise you to always use the product code when ordering a mixing machine. If you, for example, wish to order the Series 3000 mixing machine, you can do this using product code FV003EX for the explosion proof model.

The complete overview of all mixing machines with corresponding product codes can be found on our website www.de-beer.com/en/downloads.