# **Technical Information**

# m.a.c.s.® Paint Stripper + Paint Remover Table of Applications

	Protective building paints and plasters e.g. facades, walls, ceilings (e.g. stucco, ornaments)	Lacquers e.g. furniture, window shutters, metal fences	2K coatings e.g. car bodies, floor coatings
1. Choice	SG 94	Asur	Blitz
Alter-	Asur	Powerclean	Oxystrip
	Asur Separator	Powerclean Blitz	Oxystrip Powerclean
Alter-			

# Properties

Asur Paint Remover is CHC-free (chlorinated hydrocarbon) on the basis of slowly exhaling esters and other special solvents. In particular, Asur Paint Remover is suitable for the removal of 1-component lacquers and oil paints from wood and metal and for the removal of differ0ent multi-layer coatings on facades and in the interior.

Asur Paint Remover excels by its long open time and sustainable dissolving power over several hours up to several days, thus allowing for the removal of several paint layers in one operation. Asur Paint Remover does not cause changes of the building fabric after removal of the paint and restores mineral substrates thoroughly deep into their pores, wood does neither rove nor discolour.

Asur Paint Remover features a high flash point and is bio-degradable in wastewater treatment plants. Asur Paint Remover is the soft paint remover with bite.

# Application

Asur Paint Remover dissolves and removes 1component lacquers, synthetic-resin lacquers, glaze, flatting agents, polishes, nitro-spirit lacquers, beer varnish, oil paints, emulsion and latex paints, elastic building paints, acrylates, synthetic plasters, adhesives for glass fibre fabric or similar, PU-foam. Asur Paint Remover can be used on small and large

surfaces (several hundreds of square metres) in internal and external areas.

**Substrates:** All sorts of wood and metals, on all mineral and solvent-resistant substrates, concrete, pure mineral plasters, all sorts of natural stones, plaster (stucco), masonery like e.g. clinker, brickwork etc.. Glass will not be attacked. The removal of paint from plastic materials containing softeners is not possible. **Mask plastic windows, cables etc. as follows:** apply double-sided adhesive tape, put crumple-free PE construction foil on it and stick on another adhesive tape (e.g. brown Tesa packaging tape). Remove brown packaging tape immediately after sprinkling with paint stripper. Remove double-sided adhesive tape instantly after the paint stripper has taken effect and the remaining surfaces have been washed.

**Technical Limitations:**Highly cross-linked EP, DD, SH and 2-component lacquers, paints containing bitumen.

# **Technical Specifications**

Density at 20°C:	ca. 1.11 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	
Viscosity:	4,000 mPas	
ph value (10 g/l):	6	
Flash point:	95°C	
Minimal processing		
temperature:	10°C	

Storeage period:

Transport: Units: Item number: min. 2 years when cool and dry in closed container non-hazardous 1 I, 3 I, 10 I, 25 I 118

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# Consumption

Consumption depends on the total thickness of the paint and lacquer layers to be removed as well as on the characteristics of the substrates, whether they are absorbent or not.

With non-absorbent substrates, the thickness of the paint and varnish layers to be removed approximately corresponds with the layer thickness of Asur Paint Remover. With absorbent substrates the layer thickness of Asur Paint Remover has to be increased by about the factor 1.3 - 1.5.

The ideal basis for an exact calculation are several test areas on the original object. Material consumption can reach from at least  $300 \text{ ml/m}^2$  to 2,000 ml/m<sup>2</sup>.

# **Development of Properties**

Asur Paint Remover is a CHC-free paint remover on the basis of slowly exhaling solvents, dissolving the binding agent system of the paints to be removed. As a result, they can easily be pushed-off or removed by washing off. In order to enable the full development of the dissolving properties, sufficiently generous application of material has to be ensured. If an insufficient amount of Asur Paint Remover was applied, the surfface becomes dry and *whitish*. In this case, do not remove with water but apply a new layer of Asur Paint Remover; the dissolving process will be re-activated then. The solved coatings should always be removed at the optimal dissolving point (saves *cleaning costs*).

#### Disturbing influences:

Moist substrates, rain, draught, low temperatures (coldness), extremely absorbent substrates, insufficient ventilation possibilities during processing, insufficient application of material.

#### Supporting influences:

Warm temperatures, covering of the surfaces with thin PE-film after application of paint remover (not required!); thus the development of exhalations is considerably lowered in internal areas. Sufficiently long application time (test areas).

#### Application Time:

Several minutes up to hours or days under film.

### Application/Tools

Asur Paint Remover is ready for use and must not be modiefied. Open container. In case of settled-out liquid (not a fault) stirr up product.

Apply Asur Paint Remover evenly with an airless device, brush, puff, roller, scraper, trowel, smoothing trowel (no plastic bristles).

Processing with airless system: completely remove filters and sieves from inside the device. Standard jets: mm/inch 0.530/0.021 to 1.070/0.043. Working pressure depending on jet used 40 – 80 bars. Air pressure operated airless device: working pressure ca. 2 Bar.

# Paint remover is always applied from bottom (socket) to top.

Clean the used devices with Powerfluid mixed with water 1:10. Then rinse with clear water.

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# Instructions on use

#### Preparing measures:

The object respectively environment conditions have to be checked (see "Development of Properties"). As far as the dissolved coatings are to be removed with a hot water high-pressure washer, in the scope of the erection of a scaffold, collection devices have to be considered (see removal process). The object has to be notified to the responsible authorities. We recommend to cover the scaffold with a tarpaulin when processing Asur Paint Remover using an airless device.

#### **Test surfaces**

With big objects several test areas at different places should be treated in order to determine the layer construction and the dissolving progress. Size of the test area: DIN A4 landscape format. Using a trowel apply at least 3 mm of Asur Paint Remover at the beginning and let it run out against zero at the end. Cover one half with film in landscape format. Note date, time and temperature and check the test area in different intervals. Thus you find out about application time, possible consumption and open time of the paint remover. If the product does not deliver the desired result, further test areas according to the table of applications are necessary. For this purpose, use the m.a.c.s. paint stripper + paint remover test box.

### **Removal of separated coatings**

#### General:

The removal of the separated coatings should always be done at the optimal dissolving point. The longer the already separated coatings remain on the substrate, the more difficult it will be to wash them off. This might lead to longer cleaning periods.

# Machine Removal

#### 1. Hot water high-pressure washer

Hose the separated paint layers, plasters etc. with the high-pressure washer and **hot** water at 80°C in a range between 60 to 130 Bar, from **the bottom to the top and towards the already cleaned surface.** Thereby, the splash lance is always directed away from the application area in order to avoid a reaction stop of the paint stripper due to water. The wastewater has to be collected (see disposal).

#### 2. Spray-Suction Method

Dissolved coatings can also be removed with the spraysuction method (e.g. Reinigungskrake 80 (octopus cleaner)). Thus, the above mentioned wastewater collection tank is not needed.

#### Manual Removal

Separated coatings can also be pushed-off with a scraper or a surface pusher. Subsequently, the pushed-off surfaces are washed with water (as warm as possible, ca. 40°C) under addition of Powerfluid, the cleaner used after paint removal, with a coarse scrubbing brush or a sponge. For wooden surfaces, a thick round masked brush with about 1 cm long bristles is suitable best. Warm water up to 40°C makes the subsequent washing easier. Finally, rinse again with clear cold water.

#### Note:

No incompatibilities with new coatings have been reported after a complete removal of the coatings. Before it is newly painted, the stripped surface has to be flashed-off and dry. When used in the interior, sufficent ventilation has to be made sure. Always work with film sheets in the interior. If used in foods companies, all risk-bearing sectors have to be outsourced.

With PCB restoration works in internal areas do not apply the product using the airless method if possible (underpressure, ventilation, aerosol formation).

# Product and Wastewater Disposal

#### General:

Before starting the works the situation should always be cleared with the authorities. In most municipalities, the wastewater (mix of dissolved colour and CHC-free paint stripper) can be discharged directly into the wastewater system after separation of the solid matter (by gravel bed, settling out or similar). Expertises about the biodegradability of the paint remover are at hand and can be ordered.

#### Wastewater Catch Grooves:

In order to set up a waste water catch basin you can proceed as follows: apply acrylic sealing compound to the wall. Lay in a Delta tarpaulin and screw it to the wall with a roof batten. Pull the Delta tarpaulin up the scaffold and fix it. Put crossbars into the catch basin, create settle-out basins and hang in the wastewater pump. If necessary, put up a wastewater reservoir.

#### Water Treatment:

In case authorities demand a wastewater treatment, corresponding reaction separation agents can be produced which ensure the compliance with the local wastewater limiting values. In this case, the produced wastewater has to be collected in the course of the works (e.g. 1,000 l container). Then we would ask you to send 10 l of wastewater together with the discharge values of your discharge authority to our wastewater treatment service, the company Mehne (subject to charges.) Within a few days you will receive the reaction separation agent and processing information.

Then, the settled-out colour sludge has to be disposed according to composition.

# **Disposal considerations**

Waste category numbers:Product residues:EWC No.: 080111Paint sludge:EWC No.: 080117Water hazard:WHC 1

# **Information on Hasards**

Provokes irritations of eyes and skin. In case of contact with the eyes, flush eyes out with water thoroughly and consult your doctor. Use in well-ventilated areas only. Do not inhalate the exhalation. Keep out of reach of children. In case of swallowing seek advice from your doctor immediately and show packaging or label there. Wear solvent-resistant gloves. With the airless method use single-use protective clothing and A2/P2 protective mask or full visor mask with glass pane (also when removing the dissolved coating).

#### **Measures of Precaution:**

#### Mask plastic surfaces.

With PCB-restorations do not apply material using the airless method.

All details in this technical information are based on practical experience. A general binding character is excluded because of the different practical preconditions. Self-tests have to be made. All earlier editions get void with the publishing of this technical information.

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