

## **RUST CONVERTER**

For Use on Rusted Steel as Pre-Painting Preparation

### Technical Information

#### **Physical Data**

Composition: Water-reducible chelating polymers

(Phosphoric Acid-Free)

Appearance: Milky white liquid

Specific Gravity (@20°C): 1.0

Viscosity (@20°C): 15 mPa·s

Flash Point (PMCC): None

pH value: 1.6

Stability: More than 1 year when stored in a closed pail

#### **Description**

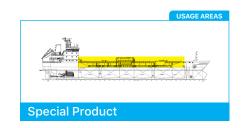
Our RUST CONVERTER is designed for use on rusted and sandblasted steel as a pre-coating preparation. It rapidly neutralizes the corrosion process by reacting quickly with rust and transforms iron oxides into a stable, insoluble blue-black metal-organic complex, creating an inert surface. This conversion process ensures the substrate is chemically passivated, providing a solid foundation for the application of subsequent paint or coating systems. It also acts as an excellent adhesion promoter for subsequent paint systems and leaves a water-insoluble hydrophobic film. This product is non-hazardous, non-flammable, and the dry film it produces is fire-retardant. It can be easily applied by brush, roller, or spray and can also be used on damp/wet rusted surfaces. One liter covers approximately 20 square meters, and it has a quick reaction time of only 3 hours. It is compatible with most used paint types and coating systems, including alkyd systems, modified alkyds, chlorinated rubber, epoxies, polyurethanes, vinyls, and the new water-based paint systems, providing cost-effective corrosion control and long-term protection.

#### **Application**

Use this rust converter on all rusted steel surfaces before painting or repainting, especially when sandblasting preparation is challenging, e.g., cargo holds, decks, hatch covers, superstructures, pipelines, winches, rails, etc. It is also used on sandblasted surfaces to prevent or passivate "flash rust". Beyond being particularly suitable for use in the highly corrosive marine atmosphere, it is indeed also suitable for use on offshore oil rigs, in shipyards, and refineries.

### **Direction for Use**

- Remove loose rust, rust scales/flakes through thorough wire brushing. Millscale, rust chips, blisters, deteriorated paints, oil, grease, etc., should also be removed if present. In heavy industrial and marine atmospheres, rust always contains soluble salts, so it is important to remove atmospheric salts by washing with freshwater before applying RUST CONVERTER.
- RUST CONVERTER is ready for use, and a single thin application is sufficient. Apply by brush, roller, or spray. One liter covers approximately 20 m². The reaction time is 3 hours, and paints/coatings must not be applied







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sooner. If the rust converter is applied in confined areas, the reaction time may be somewhat longer. It is not a paint, and treated surfaces must be protected by suitable paints/coatings, preferably within 48 hours after the application of the rust converter. Equipment should be washed and flushed with clean water immediately after use.

#### Safety and Environment (HSE)

Uniservice Unisafe Srl have carefully developed their products to minimize the safety risks and environmental impact of using their products. However, Uniservice advises that, prior to using its products, users should read in detail the accompanying Safety Data Sheet and ensure that its products are applied within the required HSE reg-

#### **Application of RUST CONVERTER to an Oil Tanker Hatch Cover**



Step 1
Preparation of the surface can be made also by wire brushing. It is advisable ST-2
Standard preparation. If present remove rust chips, millscale, blisters, grease etc.



Step 2 Flushing with fresh water to remove atmospheric salts.



Step 3
Starting the application of RUSTCONVERTER
by brush or roller, depending of the surface
structure.



Continuing RUST CONVERTER application.



Step 5
Hatch cover surface immediately after RUST CONVERTER application.



Step 6
Hatch cover surface after 3 hours application. The surface is ready for painting that must be done within 48 hours from RUST CONVERTER application.

#### Caution

The rust converter should not be applied to hot surfaces above 40°C, such as a deck area in sunny tropical climates. Such areas should be treated only when the area has cooled down during the evening and left for a reaction overnight.

ulations of the country in which the user operates. Best practice and safety requirements should be followed which will likely include method statements and risk assessments, together with any specific requirements of the user's own company HSE requirements.



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