

Technical Bulletin TB-001 Clearcoating Weathered Gelcoat

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

Laboratory testing has proven that to upgrade the appearance of weathered gelcoat, it must be free of surface defects such as surface fractures (cracks) and damage which exposes the fiberglass strands

The recommendation for clearcoating weathered fiberglass is as follows:

- 1. Wash the entire area with soap and water, then reclean with ONECHOICE® SX330 or SXA330 ACRYLI-CLEAN® Wax and Grease Remover.
- 2. Abrade the surface with a fine scuff pad (grey Scotchbrite style or P1200 grit wet or dry).
- 3. Reclean with SX330 or SXA330 Acryli-Clean.
- 4. Apply SX103 MULTI-PREP™ to cut down static charge and tack wipe. On smaller parts or when feasible, coat both the inside and outside of the area to be painted.
- 5. Apply 2 3 coats (2 2½ mils) of DU1000 DURETHANE® Polyurethane Clear per label directions.
- 6. Allow to dry for 16 hours at 75°F (24°C) or purge for 15 minutes then bake for 40 minutes at 140°F (60°C) metal temperature.

