

## General Description

AURA's innovative platform integrates the best technologies to deliver unparalleled colour depth and richness that is long lasting in any colour. In addition to using 100% acrylic latex, proprietary resins, enhanced pigments, and Colour Lock® technology give the product its extraordinary performance properties.

- Unparalleled colour depth and richness
- Colour Lock® Technology for long-lasting colour
- Extreme hide across all colours
- Self-priming
- Provides a mildew resistant coating
- Scuff resistant

## Usage

New or previously painted wallboard, plaster, masonry and wood; primed or previously painted metal; new or coated acoustic ceilings. It is ideal for surfaces where maximum durability is required and lasting colour is desired.

<b>Colors</b>	NA
<b>Bases</b>	Gennex® Bases 1X – 4X
<b>Colorant System</b>	Gennex®

## Technical Data / Base 1

<b>Vehicle</b>	Proprietary 100% Acrylic	
<b>Pigment</b>	Titanium Dioxide	
<b>Volume Solids</b>	46.4 ± 2%	
<b>Spread Rate Per 3.79 L</b>	32.5 – 37.2 sq. m. (350 – 400 sq. ft.)	
<b>Recommended</b>	Wet:	4.0 – 4.6 mils
<b>Film Thickness</b>	Dry:	1.9 – 2.1 mils
Depending on surface texture and porosity. Be sure to estimate the right amount of paint for the job. This will ensure color uniformity and minimize the disposal of excess paint.		
<b>Dry Time @ 25 °C (77 °F) @ 50% RH</b>	To Touch:	1 hour
	To Recoat:	1 hour
Painted surfaces can be washed after two weeks. High humidity and cool temperatures will result in longer dry, recoat and service times.		
<b>Surface Temperature During Application</b>	Min:	10 °C (50 °F)
	Max:	32.2 °C (90 °F)
<b>Viscosity</b>	107 ± 4 KU	
<b>Flash Point</b>	None	
<b>Sheen / Gloss</b>	10 – 22 @ 85°	
<b>Clean Up</b>	Water	
<b>Thinner</b>	refer to page 2	
<b>Weight Per 3.9 L</b>	5.3 kg (11.8 lbs.)	
<b>Storage Temperature</b>	Min:	4.4 °C (40 °F)
	Max:	32.2 °C (90 °F)
<b>VOC</b>	1.5 g/L	

## Primer Systems

AURA® is self-priming on most surfaces. On bare substrates two coats are required; previously painted surfaces can be finished with 1 or 2 coats. While the high quality of our products sometimes makes one-coat coverage achievable, Benjamin Moore® recommends two coats of this product to achieve full colour development and to maximize paint film performance. **Special Note:** Certain custom colours require Fresh Start® High-Hiding All Purpose Primer Deep Colour Base Primer tinted to a special prescription formula to achieve the desired colour. Consult your retailer.

### Wood, and engineered wood products:

Self-priming

### Bleeding Woods (Redwood, Cedar, etc.):

Fresh Start® Undercoater and Primer/Sealer (K032) or Fresh Start® High-Hiding All Purpose Primer (K046)

### Drywall:

Self-priming

### Plaster (Cured):

Self-priming

### Rough or Pitted Masonry:

Ultra Spec® Masonry Interior/Exterior Hi-Build Block Filler (K571)

### Smooth Poured or Pre-cast Concrete:

Self-priming

### Ferrous Metal (Steel and Iron):

Ultra Spec® HP Acrylic Metal Primer (FP04) or Super Spec HP® Alkyd Metal Primer (KP06)

### Non-Ferrous Metal (Galvanized & Aluminum):

All new metal surfaces must be thoroughly cleaned with Corotech® Oil & Grease Emulsifier (V600) to remove contaminants. New shiny non-ferrous metal surfaces that will be subject to abrasion should be dulled with very fine sandpaper or a synthetic steel wool pad to promote adhesion. Ultra Spec® HP Acrylic Metal Primer (FP04)

### Repaint, All Substrates:

Prime bare areas with the primer recommended above for the substrate.

## Limitations

- Do not paint when air or surface temperature is below 10 °C (50 °F)
- Only Gennex® Waterborne Colorants can be added to AURA® Paint

## Compliance & Certifications

<b>Eligible for LEED® v4</b>	✓
<b>CDPH Emissions Certified</b>	✓
<b>Eligible for CHPS low emitting credit (Collaborative for High Performance Schools)</b>	✓
<b>Benjamin Moore's Green Promise®</b>	✓
<b>MPI</b>	138
<b>MPI X-Green™</b>	138

Class A (0-25) over non-combustible surfaces when tested in accordance with ASTM E-84

Anti-microbial - This product contains agents which inhibit the growth of microbes on the surface of this paint film. This product contains antimicrobial additives that inhibit the growth of mould and mildew on the surface of the paint film.

This Benjamin Moore® product has been tested by independent third parties and meets or exceeds the published chemical restriction and performance criteria of the Green Seal™ GS-11 2015 standard.



Benjamin Moore's Green Promise® designation is our company's assurance that this product meets – and often exceeds – rigorous environmental and performance criteria regarding VOCs, emissions, application, washability, scrubability and packaging, while also delivering the premium levels of performance you expect from Benjamin Moore.

## Technical Assistance

Available through your local authorized independent Benjamin Moore retailer.

call 1-800-361-5898  
visit [www.benjaminmoore.ca](http://www.benjaminmoore.ca)

## Surface Preparation

Surfaces to be painted must be clean, dry, and free of dirt, dust, grease, oil, soap, wax, scaling paint, water soluble materials, and mildew. Remove any peeling or scaling paint and sand these areas to feather edges smooth with adjacent surfaces. Glossy areas should be dulled. New plaster and masonry must be cured before painting. Spot prime with Aura® Matte Finish Paint before and after filling nail holes, cracks, and other surface imperfections.

New plaster or masonry surfaces must be allowed to cure (30 days) before applying base coat. Cured plaster should be hard, have a slight sheen and maximum pH of 10; soft, porous or powdery plaster indicates improper cure. Never sand a plaster surface; knife off any protrusions and prime plaster before and after applying patching compound. Poured or pre-cast concrete with a very smooth surface should be etched or abraded to promote adhesion, after removing all form release agents and curing compounds. Remove any powder or loose particles.

Difficult Substrates: Benjamin Moore offers a number of specialty primers for use over difficult substrates such as bleeding woods, grease, crayon markings, hard glossy surfaces, galvanized metal, or other substrates where paint adhesion or stain suppression is a particular problem. Your Benjamin Moore retailer can recommend the right problem-solving primer for your special needs.

**WARNING!** If you scrape, sand, or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a NIOSH approved respirator to control lead exposure. Clean up carefully with a HEPA vacuum and a wet mop. Before you start, find out how to protect yourself and your family by logging onto Health Canada @ <https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/environmental-workplace-health/environmental-contaminants/lead/lead-information-package-some-commonly-asked-questions-about-lead-human-health.html>

## Application

Stir thoroughly before and during use. Apply one or two coats. For best results, use a premium Benjamin Moore® custom-blended nylon/polyester brush, premium Benjamin Moore® roller, or a similar product. Apply paint generously from unpainted area into wet area. This product can also be sprayed.

**Brush:** Nylon / polyester  
**Roller:** Premium Quality  
**Spray, Airless:**  
 Pressure / 1,000 – 2,000 PSI  
 Tip / 0.013 – 0.017

## Thinning/Cleaning

Conditioning with Benjamin Moore® K518 Extender may be necessary under certain conditions to adjust open time or spray characteristics.

Add K518 Extender or water - Max of 236 mL to 3.79 L of paint  
 Never add other paints or solvents.

**Clean Up:** Wash brushes, rollers, and other painting tools in warm soapy water immediately after use. Spray equipment should be given a final rinse with mineral spirits to prevent rusting.

**USE COMPLETELY OR DISPOSE OF PROPERLY.** Dry, empty containers may be recycled in a can recycling program. Local disposal requirements vary; consult your sanitation department or state-designated environmental agency on disposal options.

## Environmental Health & Safety Information

**Use only with adequate ventilation.** Do not breathe spray mist or sanding dust. Ensure fresh air entry during application and drying. Avoid contact with eyes and prolonged or repeated contact with skin. Avoid exposure to dust and spray mist by wearing a NIOSH approved respirator during application, sanding and clean up. Follow respirator manufacturer's directions for respirator use. Close container after each use. Wash thoroughly after handling.

**WARNING:** This product contains isothiazolinone compounds at levels of <0.1%. These substances are biocides commonly found in most paints and a variety of personal care products as a preservative. Certain individuals may be sensitive or allergic to these substances, even at low levels.

**KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN  
 PROTECT FROM FREEZING**

**Refer to Safety Data Sheet for additional  
 health and safety information.**