

Starting Formulation

SF 2802

Red Powder Coating for Pipe and Rebar Application
EPON™ Resin 2024 / EPIKURE™ Curing Agent P-104

- Features
- Very good general purpose powder coating
 - Good film appearance
 - Extra rapid cure speed
 - Very good storage stability

Formula	Material	Supplier	Pounds
	Formulation		
	EPON Resin 2024	Westlake Epoxy	832.0
	EPIKURE Curing Agent P-104	Westlake Epoxy	33.0
	Red iron oxide		15.0
	Barytes		<u>120.0</u>
	Total Formulation		1,000.0

Mixing Instructions	Pounds
Total Formulation	1,000.0

Powder coatings are generally manufactured by the melt mix technique. All the components are dry blended, usually in a high intensity mixer. This homogeneous blend is processed through an appropriate single or twin screw extruder and cooled to a friable solid. The dispersed extrudate is then pulverized to yield a suitable particle size distribution and sieved to eliminate coarse particles which could detract from the appearance of the coating.

Typical Handling Properties

Powder coatings can be applied by electrostatic spray, fluidized bed, electrostatic fluidized bed, and flocking gun methods. Thick (5-10 mil) film can be applied by fluidized bed, and insulative coatings are often applied in this way. Powder coating (10-20 mil thick) for underground pipe is usually applied by passing the hot (450-480 °F) pipe through a cylindrical chamber with several electrostatic spray guns positioned inside the chamber to coat the pipe as it passes through. The coating cures rapidly due to residual heat. After a water quench, the pipe slides on rubber rollers to an electrical holiday detector. The holidays may be coated with 2-component epoxy coating to complete the operation.

The application methods for the EPON™ Resin 2024/EPI-CURE™ Curing Agent P-104 powder coating involve electrostatic spray, fluidized bed, electrostatic fluidized bed and flocking gun. This system requires the incorporation of a bake cycle to cure the formulation.

This coating will cure in 1.5 to 2.0 minutes at 450 °F to 475 °F.

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Typical Formulation Table 1 / Formulation Properties Properties

	<u>Units</u>	<u>Value</u>
Bake schedule	Min./°F	2/450
Flexibility, 12 mil film at 0 °F		
Elongation	%	Pass 5
Degrees per pipe diameter length		Pass 6
Pencil hardness, ASTM D3363-74		5H
MBK resistance	min.	30
Cathodic disbanding, average radius of disbonded area	mm.	2-3

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