



Quantum Timber Finishes
Product Data Sheet

Qstrip Varnish Remover



Description:

A new age varnish remover designed to be water wash-up and bio-degradable. It is free of Methylene Chloride or the traditional strong caustic chemicals used in many strippers. It is formulated to remove wood coatings without adversely affecting the underlying wooden surface. This means that after using Qstrip to remove old varnishes or coatings, it only requires thorough washing before commencing the recoat. If unacceptable grain raising or tannin staining occurs it should be sanded back then cleaned with Sap-Strip.

How to Apply:

Test area – testing on a small area is advisable prior to application to gauge thickness of the remover required and the time needed to allow product to work on the existing coating to be removed.

The removal process depends upon the nature and number of coats that are being removed. These may be oil or water based systems, of any age and of significant film build. Qstrip is capable of dissolving multiple films and will remove most conventional coatings. Generally two applications are sufficient but if remnants persist a further coat may be required.

Each application takes a minimum 40 minutes to achieve softening or dissolving of the film. Agitate stubborn stains with a stiff broom or brush paying close attention to cracks and grooves, then it may be removed by scraping, scrubbing or power wash. With thicker or more persistent films it can take a couple of hours.

The gel structure allows a thick film to be applied and remain on the surface. It can be applied by brush, roller or pad applicator, 1 litre will cover approximately 2.5 square metres per coat. After 40 minutes check a small area with a palette knife. If it removes easily proceed over the entire area doing sections at a time as outlined above. Inspection will decide whether a second application is necessary. When the film is completely removed, thoroughly water-wash the surface and allow to dry.

Although designed for wood this product may be applied to a wide range of surfaces such as glass, metal, concrete, plaster or masonry. It will attack PVC and should only be used with caution on plastic surfaces in general.

Qstrip must not be allowed to dry out during the stripping process.

Safety Requirements

This product is classified as hazardous by the criteria of WorkSafe Australia. It may be irritating to the eyes and skin. Safety goggles and butyl rubber gloves are advised. Refer to the material safety data sheet for further information. Not for internal consumption.

Coverage:

Approximately 2.5 square metres per litre.

Safety Data:

Wear rubber gloves and safety glasses when applying Qstrip Varnish Remover.

First Aid:

If poisoning occurs contact a doctor or Poisons Information Center.

If swallowed do not induce vomiting, give a glass of water.

If skin contact occurs remove contaminated clothing and wash skin thoroughly. If eye contact occurs flush eye with water for 15 minutes.