

# DUREMAX<sup>®</sup> GFX

## High Performance Surface Tolerant Glass Flake Reinforced Epoxy Coating PC 256

- FEATURES**
- HIGH GLASS FLAKE CONTENT
  - ADVANCED RESIN TECHNOLOGY FOR SUPERIOR SURFACE WETTING AND CORROSION RESISTANCE
  - HIGH PERFORMANCE MAINTENANCE COATING FOR NEW OR EXISTING STEEL
  - EXCELLENT BARRIER FOR IMMERSION OR SPLASH ZONE
  - SELF PRIMING FINISH
  - HIGH SOLIDS AND HIGH BUILD FORMULATION
  - GOOD ABRASION AND CHEMICAL RESISTANCE

**USES** DUREMAX<sup>®</sup> GFX is a high solids, high build glass flake reinforced epoxy that has been developed to deliver long term corrosion resistance. Ideally suited to protecting new steelwork from atmospheric and marine corrosion including coastal and off-shore structures, above and below the water-line. The very good adhesion properties of Duremax GFX allows this product to be used as a high performance maintenance coating over hand, power tool or high-pressure water cleaned surface. DUREMAX<sup>®</sup> GFX can be topcoated with a wide range of coating types.

**SPECIFICATIONS** AS 3750.1

### RESISTANCE GUIDE

<b>HEAT RESISTANCE</b>	Up to 120°C dry heat.	<b>ALKALIS</b>	Suitable for splash and spillage of strong alkalis.
<b>WEATHERABILITY</b>	Epoxy coatings may yellow with time. On exterior exposure some chalking may also occur. This will not detract from the protective properties of the coating. Use a weatherable topcoat if required for appearance.	<b>SALTS</b>	Excellent resistance to neutral and alkali salts.
<b>SOLVENTS</b>	Resists splash and spillage of most hydrocarbon solvents, refined petroleum products and most common alcohols.	<b>WATER</b>	Excellent resistance to immersion in fresh and salt water.
<b>ACIDS</b>	Suitable for splash and spillage of mild acids.	<b>ABRASION</b>	Good when fully cured.

### TYPICAL PROPERTIES AND APPLICATION DATA

<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>	Two Pack Glass Reinforced Epoxy		<b>APPLICATION CONDITIONS</b>		
<b>FINISH</b>	Semi Gloss		Refer to Page 2		
<b>COLOUR</b>	Mid Grey and Black.				
<b>COMPONENTS</b>	Two		Min    Max    Recom.		
<b>SOLIDS BY VOLUME</b>	Refer to Page 2				
<b>VOC LEVEL</b>	Refer to Page 2		Refer to Page 2		
<b>FLASH POINT</b>	40°C				
<b>POT LIFE (4L, 25°C)</b>	Refer to Page 2		Wet film per coat (microns)		
<b>MIXING RATIO (V/V)</b>	Part A : 4	Part B : 1			
<b>THINNER</b>	920-08925	Dulux <sup>®</sup> Epoxy Thinner	<b>SUITABLE SUBSTRATES</b>		
<b>PRODUCT CODE</b>	775-H0095	Mid Grey	Prepared rusty steel. Aged tightly adhering coatings. Prepared concrete, aluminium and galvanised steel.		
	775-H0094	Black			
	976-H0096	Standard Hardener			
	976-H0126	Cold Cure Hardener			
			Brush, roller, conventional or airless spray.		

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Standard Hardener						
<b>COATING THICKNESS</b>			<b>APPLICATION CONDITIONS</b>			
	Min	Max	Recom.		Min	Max
Wet film per coat (microns)	240	600	300	Air Temperature	10°C	45°C
Dry film per coat (microns)	200	500	250	Substrate Surface Temperature	10°C	45°C
				Relative Humidity		85%
				Concrete Moisture Content		<10%
<b>SOLIDS BY VOLUME</b>	84% (Black)			<b>POT LIFE</b>	90 Minutes (4L, 25°C)	
<b>VOC LEVEL</b>	<210 g/L (Black)					
<b>Drying characteristics at 250 microns dry film thickness</b>						
<b>Temperature</b>	<b>Humidity</b>	<b>Touch</b>	<b>Handle</b>	<b>Full Cure</b>	<b>Min</b>	<b>Overcoat Max</b>
10° C	50%	14 Hours	36 Hours	7 Days	36 Hours	4 Weeks*
15° C	50%	10 Hours	24 Hours	7 Days	24 Hours	4 Weeks*
25° C	50%	6 Hours	14 Hours	7 Days	14 Hours	4 Weeks*
<b>TYPICAL SPREADING RATE AT RECOMMENDED DRY FILM BUILD</b>				A spreading rate of 3.4 sq. metres per litre corresponds to 250 microns dry film thickness assuming no losses. Practical spreading rates will vary depending on such factors as method and conditions of application and surface roughness.		

Cold Cure Hardener						
<b>COATING THICKNESS</b>			<b>APPLICATION CONDITIONS</b>			
	Min	Max	Recom.		Min	Max
Wet film per coat (microns)	240	600	300	Air Temperature	5°C	45°C
Dry film per coat (microns)	200	500	250	Substrate Surface Temperature	5°C	45°C
				Relative Humidity		85%
				Concrete Moisture Content		<10%
<b>SOLIDS BY VOLUME</b>	84% (Black)			<b>POT LIFE</b>	60 Minutes (4L, 25°C)	
<b>VOC LEVEL</b>	<190 g/L (Black)					
<b>Drying characteristics at 250 microns dry film thickness</b>						
<b>Temperature</b>	<b>Humidity</b>	<b>Touch</b>	<b>Handle</b>	<b>Full Cure</b>	<b>Min</b>	<b>Overcoat Max</b>
5° C	50%	14 Hours	28 Hours	7 Days	28 Hours	4 Weeks*
10° C	50%	13 Hours	24 Hours	7 Days	24 Hours	4 Weeks*
15° C	50%	12 Hours	18 Hours	7 Days	18 Hours	4 Weeks*
25° C	50%	6 Hours	9 Hours	7 Days	9 Hours	4 Weeks*
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These figures are given as a guide only, as ventilation, film thickness, humidity, thinning and other factors will influence the rate of drying. If the maximum overcoat interval is exceeded then the surface MUST be abraded to ensure maximum intercoat adhesion. Use of fast or low temperature hardeners may result in increased yellowing and a reduction of gloss level.

\* When used for non-immersion conditions. Refer to PRECAUTIONS section for overcoating intervals and requirements for immersion service.

## TYPICAL SYSTEMS

(The typical systems are offered as a guide only and are not to be used as a specification. It is recommended that the specific needs of a project be discussed with a Dulux Protective Coatings Consultant.)

SURFACE	PREPARATION GUIDE		SYSTEM	DRY FILM THICKNESS
STEEL Maintenance	Hand or Power tool clean AS1627.2 St 3 Abrasive blast AS1627.4 Class 1	1st Coat	DUREMAX® GFX	250 Microns
		2nd Coat	DUREMAX® GFX	250 Microns
STEEL New Construction	Abrasive blast AS1627.4 Class 2.5	1st Coat	DUREPON® P14	75 Microns
		2nd Coat	DUREMAX® GFX	250 Microns
STEEL Immersion -Salt or Freshwater	Abrasive blast to AS1627.4 Class 3 (In marine piles tidal zone obtain maximum blast possible.)	1st Coat	DUREMAX® GFX	500 Microns
		Or 1st Coat 2nd Coat	DUREMAX® GFX DUREMAX® GFX	250 Microns 250 Microns
CONCRETE	Clean surface to remove contaminants. Diamond grind, track or light-shot blast. Remove dust.	1st Coat	DUREMAX® GFX	250 Microns
		2nd Coat	DUREMAX® GFX (Thin first coat 10-15%)	250 Microns
ALUMINIUM	Clean, degrease and abrade surface by whip blasting.	1st Coat	DUREMAX® GFX	250 Microns

<b>SURFACE PREPARATION</b>	<p><b>Steel:</b> Round off all rough welds, sharp edges and remove weld spatter. Remove grease, oil and other contaminants in accordance with AS1627.1. Rust, millscale, oxide deposits and old paint films on metal surfaces should be removed by hand or power tool (AS1627.2 St 3) cleaning as a minimum. Coating performance is proportional to the degree of surface preparation and abrasive blast cleaning to a minimum AS1627.4 Class 2 is preferred for more severe environments. Immersed steel must be prepared to AS1627.4 Class 3.</p> <p><b>Concrete:</b> Remove all laitance, form release, curing compounds, oil, grease and other surface contaminants. Diamond grind, track or light shot-blast to provide suitable profile. Remove all dust by vacuum cleaning. Fill any large voids exposed using Luxepoxy Filler. Cement based substrates should be at least 21 days old before coating.</p>						
<b>APPLICATION</b>	Stir each can thoroughly until the contents are uniform. Use of a power mixer is recommended. Mix the contents of both packs together thoroughly using a power mixer and allow to stand for 10 minutes. Remix thoroughly before using.						
<b>BRUSH/ROLLER</b>	Apply even coats of the mixed material to the prepared surface. When brushing and rolling additional coats may be required to attain the specified thickness.						
<b>CONVENTIONAL SPRAY</b>	<p>Thinning is not normally required, however a small amount (5% or less by volume) of Dulux® Epoxy Thinner (920-08925) can be added.</p> <p><b>Typical Set-up</b></p> <table> <tr> <td>Graco Delta Gun:</td> <td>1.8m (239543)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pressure at Pot:</td> <td>65-100 kPa (10-15 p.s.i.)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pressure at Gun:</td> <td>385-420 kPa (55-60 p.s.i.)</td> </tr> </table>	Graco Delta Gun:	1.8m (239543)	Pressure at Pot:	65-100 kPa (10-15 p.s.i.)	Pressure at Gun:	385-420 kPa (55-60 p.s.i.)
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<b>AIRLESS SPRAY</b>	Standard airless spray equipment such as a Graco 45:1 or 56:1 Xtreme with a fluid tip of 17–21 thou (0.43-0.53mm) and an air supply capable of delivering 550-690 kPa (80 -100 psi) at the pump. Thinning is not normally required but up to 50ml/litre of Dulux® Epoxy Thinner (920-08925) may be added to ease application.						
<b>PRECAUTIONS</b>	This is an industrial product designed for use by experienced Protective Coating applicators. Where conditions may require variation from the recommendations on this Product Data Sheet contact your nearest Dulux® representative for advice prior to painting. Do not apply in conditions outside the parameters stated in this document without the express written consent of Dulux® Australia. Freshly mixed material must not be added to material that has been mixed for some time. Do not apply at temperatures below 10°C when using Standard hardener or below 5°C when using Cold Cure hardener. Do not apply at relative humidity above 85% or when the surface is less than 3°C above the dewpoint. When used with a white or pastel colour the Cold Cure hardener will impart a yellow tone that will darken with time. When used for immersion conditions the maximum overcoat interval is 3 days at 25°C. The coating <b>MUST</b> be solvent free prior to being placed under immersion conditions as a tanklining. For best results in water immersion conditions replace Dulux® Epoxy Thinner (920-08925) with Dulux® CR Reducer (965-63020). In tidal areas early immersion will result in loss of some of the coating but this will not affect performance. Do not use as a primer over galvanised steel when using Cold Cure hardener as delamination can occur. Use of fast or low temperature hardeners may result in increased yellowing and a reduction of gloss level.						
<b>CLEAN UP</b>	Clean all equipment with Dulux® Epoxy Thinner (920-08925) immediately after use.						
<b>OVERCOATING</b>	Aged coating should be tested for lifting by a method appropriate for the coating thickness, for example 'X' cut or cross-hatch methods. If it lifts, remove it. The surface must be free of oil, grease and other contaminants. High-pressure water wash at 8.3 to 10.3 MPa (1,200 - 1,500 p.s.i.) to remove loosely adhering chalk and dust. Abrasion may be required depending on surface condition. If the maximum overcoat interval is exceeded then the surface <b>MUST</b> be abraded to ensure maximum intercoat adhesion.						
<b>SAFETY PRECAUTIONS</b>	<b>Read Data Sheet, Material Safety Data Sheet and any precautionary labels on containers.</b>						
<b>STORAGE</b>	Store as required for a flammable liquid Class 3 in a bunded area under cover. Store in well-ventilated area away from sources of heat or ignition. Keep containers closed at all times.						
<b>HANDLING</b>	As with any chemical, ingestion, inhalation and prolonged or repeated skin contact should be avoided by good occupational work practice. Eye protection approved to AS1337 should be worn where there is a risk of splashes entering the eyes. Always wash hands before smoking, eating, drinking or using the toilet.						
<b>USING</b>	Use with good ventilation and avoid inhalation of spray mists and fumes. If risk of inhalation of spray mists exists, wear combined organic vapour/particulate respirator. When spray painting, users should comply with the provisions of the respective State Spray Painting Regulations.						
<b>FLAMMABILITY</b>	This product is flammable. All sources of ignition must be eliminated in, or near the working area. <b>DO NOT SMOKE.</b> Fight fire with foam, CO <sub>2</sub> or dry chemical powder. On burning will emit toxic fumes.						
<b>WELDING</b>	Avoid inhalation of fumes if welding surfaces coated with this paint. Grind off coating before welding.						

**MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET is available from Customer Service (132377) or [www.duluxprotectivecoatings.com.au](http://www.duluxprotectivecoatings.com.au)**

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<b>PACKAGING</b>	Available in 15 litre packs
<b>TRANSPORTATION WEIGHT</b>	1.61 kg/litre (Average of components)
<b>DANGEROUS GOODS</b>	Part A: Class 3 UN 1263 Part B: Class 8,3 UN 2734

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