

## INFO SHEET

### How To Check Paint Type In A Pool

You need about 30 ml, (1 fl oz) of any ONE of:  
Acetone (Acetone Based Nail Varnish Remover - chemist), Xylol or Xylene, Epoxy Thinners. OR Methylated Spirits (De natured alcohol) for Acrylic testing.

White paper towel – tissues

#### Empty Pool

1. Scrunch up white paper to be like a soda bottle cap, size.
2. Saturate the paper pad with the thinners and then hold with some pressure on a clean area of painted surface. Move around slightly for 5 secs.
3. Remove and look at the underside. If lots of paint there AND when you put a finger on the area where the pad was, it feels sticky and creates a string like melted cheese on a pizza, when you slowly remove your finger – THEN it's likely Chlorinated Rubber. If not sticky and little to no paint on the pad its Epoxy.
4. Repeat same process with Meths (Methylated Spirits De natured alcohol) to detect if Acrylic.
5. You will need to remove ALL Chlorinated Rubber or Acrylic BEFORE using a 2-pack coating. (Epoxy, or Paint NForget V790 Fluoropolymer)

#### Pool full of water:

NOTE: You will need a larger wad of scrunched up paper and make it well saturated with thinners. Then quickly place on the pool surface just below the water line where the paint is. And follow # 2 – 5 above.



The pool to be tested, unknown, aged paint used.

Using Thinners (epoxy in this case) and the tissue is now showing a lot of “blue” paint. You can see where it was tested twice. (Recommended to do several tests over the surface to be completely sure ALL the paint is of a particular type).

This result shows it is Chlorinated Rubber paint here.

If no color, then it maybe epoxy or acrylic. Repeat test with Methylated Spirit (De natured alcohol). Same result will indicate Acrylic paint. No results (no or very little color) indicate Epoxy

You can put on your finger IMMEDIATELY on the tested pool surface. Will be sticky if NOT epoxy.

