

**Product Description**

*ProLuxe 23 Top Coat RE* is a premium translucent exterior wood topcoat. Its “Alkyd resin with UV absorbers” technology offers excellent durability and protection for sidings and other vertical wood surfaces. Used in conjunction with *ProLuxe 1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish* as a protective topcoat for exterior wood. *ProLuxe 23 Top Coat RE* is normally used as the last 2 coats or occasionally as the last coat in the « *1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish/23 Top Coat RE Wood Finish* » protective systems.

**Features**

- Premium translucent water-repellent exterior wood topcoat.
- Microporous product; which is waterproof, but allows wood to breathe: minimizes occurrence of peeling and blistering.
- Penetrating alkyd formula, part of a 3-coat system.
- Its translucent iron oxide pigments amplify depth of colour, clarity and substrate protection.
- Its powerful UV absorbers protect colour and wood substrate.
- Contains a mildew-resistant preservative.

**Available Colours**

SIK43005C	Natural Oak	SIK43009C	Dark Oak
SIK43045C	Mahogany	SIK43072C	Butternut
SIK43077C	Cedar	SIK43078C	Natural
SIK43085C	Teak	SIK43996C	Natural Light

**Projects**

**Environment**

Exterior only.

**Use**

New and maintenance work.

*ProLuxe 23 Top Coat RE Wood Finish* is a premium translucent topcoat used in conjunction with *ProLuxe 1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish* as a protective topcoat properly prepared wood sidings, trim, doors, garage doors and logs. It is normally used as the last 2 coats or occasionally as the last coat in the « *1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish/23 Top Coat RE Wood Finish* » protective systems.

**Surfaces**

Exterior wood vertical surfaces as a top coat over *1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish*.

Maintenance coat over existing « *1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish/23 Top Coat RE Wood Finish* » system.

**Notes**

Wood Finish colour Natural Light will weather faster than others. This colour is not recommended for use on darker coloured woods.

The moisture content of wood must be below 18%.

Use on exotic hardwoods may affect coverage, dry time and durability.

High and continuous moisture content or insufficient ventilation of wood prematurely reduce the product durability or can cause peeling.

*ProLuxe 23 Top Coat RE Wood Finish* is not recommended for outdoor furniture or fences considered to be in a high moisture environment.

Do not use on floors.

This product is not to be mixed with other paints, stains or thinners.

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**Technical Specifications (21°C (70°F))**

**Appearance**

Translucent

**Gloss Level**

Satin finish

**Composition**

- Diluent: Hydrocarbons
- Binder: Alkyd

**Drying\***

- Touch dry: 12 hours
- Before recoating: 24 hours
- Prior to withstanding rain or dew: 48 hours
- Full curing: 7 days

When relative humidity is higher than 50%, double the required time.

*Drying times listed may vary depending on temperature, humidity, film build, colour, and air movement.*

**Spreading Rate per Coat**

On rough and weathered surfaces, approximately 19 to 28 square metres (200 to 300 sq. ft.) per 3.78 L.

On smooth surfaces or hardwoods, approximately 23 to 33 square metres (250 to 350 sq. ft.) per 3.78 L.

*Coverage figures may vary depending on the type, age and texture of the wood and application method.*

**Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs)\***

- According to ASTM D3960-05: < 350 g/L
- Canadian regulation: < 350 g/L

**Solids by Volume\***

53%

**Flammability**

Flammable

**Flash Point**

50°C (122°F)

\*Technical data source: SIK43005C  
 (Data may vary with product colour)



## Surface Preparation

Surface must be thoroughly clean and dry. Remove all dust, dirt, grime, mildew, oil, loose wood fibres mill glaze, previous coatings and other contaminants before application.

Spray all wood surfaces with clean water, completely wetting the wood. Apply a cleaning solution of 120 g of 100% powdered Tri-Sodium Phosphate (TSP) in 1 L of liquid bleach and 3 L of water to the wood surfaces with a garden sprayer or a heavy nap roller cover. Scrub surface with a hard-bristle brush for 15–20 minutes to help remove mill glaze or weathering. **Do not allow the solution to dry on the wood surface.**

Power-wash wood surface clean with fresh water using 500–800 psi with the nozzle 8–12 inches away to remove cleaning solution. *If water beads, surface preparation must be repeated.* Allow the surface to dry for 48 hours or until the moisture content is less than or equal to 18% before application.

Sand all cleaned wood using 80–120 grit sandpaper. Always sand in the direction of the wood grain and remove sanding dust.

**Finish should be applied within four weeks of preparation provided that the surface remains free of dirt, grease, grime and mildew.**

**NEW AND WEATHERED UNCOATED WOOD:** Clean and prepare all wood surfaces as specified under SURFACE PREPARATION. Pressure treated wood must be properly seasoned, dry with a moisture content of 18% or less and free of salts and other water-soluble materials. Water-repellent treated lumber requires minimum one year of weathering.

**EXOTIC HARDWOOD:** Ipe, mahogany, iron wood, tiger wood, teak and other exotic hardwoods exhibit a dense cell structure which may reduce the ability of a coating to penetrate the wood surface. Clean and prepare surfaces as specified under SURFACE PREPARATION. Immediately prior to applying coating, wipe surface with acetone.

**PREVIOUSLY COATED WOOD:** Previous coatings must be completely removed prior to application of *1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish*. Once previous coating is removed, clean and prepare surface as specified under SURFACE PREPARATION.

**After surface preparation, allow wood to thoroughly dry.**

**PRECAUTION:** Dry sanding will give rise to dust and/or hazardous fumes. Wet sanding should be used wherever possible. Wear suitable respiratory protective equipment when exposure cannot be avoided by adequate local ventilation. **WARNING!** If you scrape, sand, or remove old paint, you may release lead dust. LEAD IS TOXIC. EXPOSURE TO LEAD DUST OR FUMES CAN CAUSE SERIOUS ILLNESS, SUCH AS BRAIN DAMAGE, ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN. PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD ALSO AVOID EXPOSURE. Wear a properly fitted NIOSH-approved respirator and prevent skin contact to control lead exposure. Contact a regional Health Canada office for more information.

## Application

***ProLuxe 1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish* must be applied to properly prepared wood as the basecoat before applying the *ProLuxe 23 Top Coat RE Wood Finish*.**

Test wood for absorbency by sprinkling water on the surface — if water is absorbed within 30 seconds to 2 minutes, depending on climate, the surface is ready for finishing. If water is not absorbed, wait 30 days and retest.

Buy sufficient product for the whole job. Stir thoroughly before and often during use. Do not thin.

Before starting, apply to a small area and allow stain to dry to ensure acceptable appearance and penetration. When using more than one container of the same colour, intermix to ensure colour uniformity.

Apply when air and surface temperatures are 10 to 32°C (50 to 90°F). Do not apply in direct sunlight, if rain, snow, heavy dew or low temperatures below 4°C (40°F) are expected within 48 hours. Application using a soft, long-haired natural bristle brush is the preferred method. If applied by roller or airless sprayer, back brush immediately to ensure penetration and to avoid an uneven finish. For airless spray, use a .011—.015 in., tip at 700 – 800 psi, adjust pressure as needed.

Apply one even coat, in the direction of the grain avoiding heavy application. To help avoid lap marks, apply to only a few boards at a time, and maintain a wet edge. Saturate all end grains, nail holes, cracks in the wood and the back of all boards if possible. Allow to dry a minimum of 24 hours.

*ProLuxe 1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish* must be top coated with two coats of *23 Top Coat RE Wood Finish*, following label application directions.

## Recommendations

### Application Conditions

Temperature: 10 to 32°C (50 to 90°F)  
(ideal 20°C ± 5°C [68°F ± 9°F])

Relative humidity: Ideal between 15 and 55%, maximum 85%. Maintain these conditions during the application and the following 24 hours. Low temperature, high humidity, thick films or poor ventilation extend drying time.

Surface must be at a temperature at least 3°C (5°F) higher than dew point. Do not apply in direct sunlight, if rain, snow, heavy dew, or low temperatures below 4°C (40°F) are expected within 48 hours.

### Tools

- Paintbrush: Natural bristles and/or solvent resistant synthetic bristles.
- Roller: 10 mm (3/8 in.);
- \*Spray (explosion-proof airless equipment)
  - Tip size: 0.011 to 0.015 in.;
  - Pressure: 700 to 800 psi.

Always use top quality application tools.

\*Spray recommendations may vary from figures listed depending on equipment manufacturer.

\*\* Roller or spray, back brush immediately on the surface.

### Cleaning Tools

Remove as much product quantity as possible and clean tools with mineral spirits immediately after use. **Danger of combustion.** Materials such as rags used with this product may begin to burn by themselves. After use, put rags in a sealed, water-filled, metal container, or lay flat to dry, then discard.

### Storage and Transportation

Keep in a dry and ventilated area, between 10 and 30°C (50 and 86°F). Under such conditions, unopened containers may be stored up to 5 years from manufacturing date.

### Disposal

Consult your municipality in order to dispose of residues according to environmental regulations. Do not pour down a drain or storm sewer.

## Application (continued)

*ProLuxe 23 Top Coat RE Wood Finish* is not recommended for outdoor furniture or fences. Since outdoor furniture and fences are considered to be in a high moisture environment, two coats of *ProLuxe 1 Primary Coat RE Wood Finish* would be your best method of application.

**NOTE:** Tannin containing woods such as redwood, red cedar, mahogany, Douglas fir contain tannic acid which tends to migrate to the surface and can discolour the finish. The discolouration is not harmful and can usually be removed by cleaning with a solution of 120 g of oxalic acid to 3.78 L of warm water. Apply with a garden sprayer or heavy nap roller cover. Allow to sit on surface for 20 minutes. Rinse thoroughly with clean water. **Do not allow solution to dry on wood surface.**

For more information, visit the website at [www.perfectwoodstains.ca](http://www.perfectwoodstains.ca) or call our customer service: 1-800-463-7426.

## Safety Measures

Before use, be sure to read and follow the instructions and warnings on the label and Safety Data Sheet (SDS). For workplace use, an SDS are available from your retailer, through our website or by calling 1-800-463-7426. Keep out of the reach of children. Use only in well-ventilated area. Keep containers tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Use personal protective equipment as required.

### CAUTION: DANGER OF COMBUSTION. MAY IRRITATE EYES.

Do not swallow. Avoid contact with eyes or skin. Avoid breathing spray mists. Wear protective gloves and eye/face protection: Chemical splash goggles. Use chemical-resistant, impervious gloves. Keep away from flames or sparks. **Materials such as rags used with this product may begin to burn by themselves.** After use, put rags in water or lay flat to dry, then discard.

**FIRST AID:** If swallowed, rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious). Call physician immediately. Do not induce vomiting. If in eyes, rinse with water for 15 minutes. Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention if irritation develops. If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If experiencing respiratory symptoms call poison centre or doctor/physician.

Emergency spill information: 1-514-645-1320 or 1-800-463-7426.

## Surface Maintenance

- Wait for its full curing before washing the product or testing its adhesion: minimum 7 days depending on temperature and relative humidity (longer in conditions of high humidity or low temperature).
- The level of sun exposure, and the quality of ventilation of the structures drive the maintenance frequency. Chalking and colour fading are natural ageing characteristics between maintenance coats.
- Maintenance varies according to usage and place. To maintain the products protective characteristics, apply a maintenance coat when visibly required or sheen appears dull and before wood starts to turn grey. A maximum timeframe of 2 - 3 years on the south and west exposures and 3 - 4 years on the north and east exposures can be used as a general guideline. Clean and prepare surface as specified under SURFACE PREPARATION. Apply one maintenance coat of *ProLuxe 23 Top Coat RE Wood Finish* or one coat of *ProLuxe MAINTENANCE RE WOOD FINISH*. Areas that show minimal wear should only be lightly coated. Hardwoods and lighter colours may require more frequent maintenance.
- High and continuous moisture content or insufficient ventilation of wood prematurely reduces the product durability or can cause peeling.

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