

Painting your bilge

A freshly painted bilge is much easier to wipe down and keep clean, reducing the risk of odours that may result from unwanted residue. A clean bilge will also make it easier to find small parts or fastenings, which may have been dropped whilst working on your engine or other equipment.

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1 Health and Safety

Before commencing preparatory work, ensure the area you are working in is adequately ventilated. Ensure you are wearing the correct PPE; we recommend safety spectacles, goggles or visors, nitrile rubber gloves, overalls (ensuring skin is not exposed) and a solvent mask or a respirator (if working in confined spaces).



➔ Before starting your project, **always check the weather conditions!** See Pages 18-19.

Previously painted surfaces:

2 Inspection

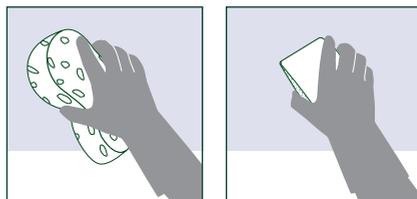
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3 Preparation

In good condition

Clean with Super Cleaner and rinse with fresh water. Allow to dry. Sand smooth with 280-320 grade paper. Clean thoroughly and allow to dry completely. Continue at Step 5.



In poor condition

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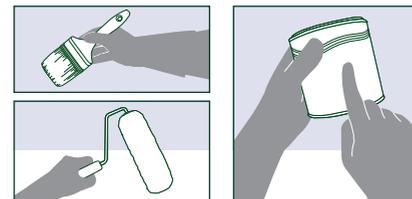
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Bare substrate:

4 Priming

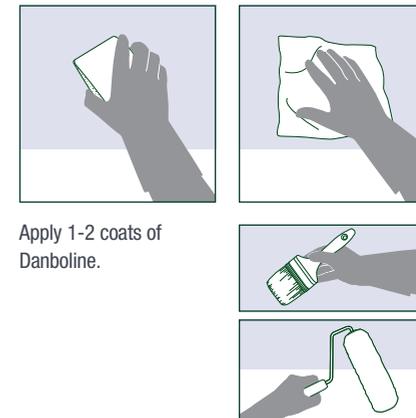
Bare substrates should be primed to promote good adhesion and provide a smooth even surface, prior to applying Danboline. Your choice of primer will be dictated by the substrate; product recommendations are provided on labels and data sheets. Remember to pay particular attention to drying times and overcoating intervals.



i Pay particular attention if the substrate is the reverse side of moulded GRP – this does not need to be primed.

5 Application

Sand the undercoat smooth with 180-280 grade paper and remove dust with a wipe or tack rag.



Apply 1-2 coats of Danboline.

i For added protection against moisture absorption and osmosis in bilge areas, use International Gelsield products – prior to applying Danboline – always follow the label instructions.

Preparing a non-slip deck

A deck demands a tough coating to protect it from everyday wear and tear. Where a non-slip surface is required International offers 3 alternative solutions.

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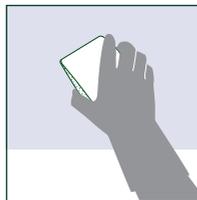
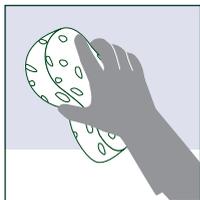
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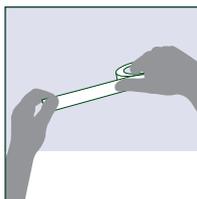
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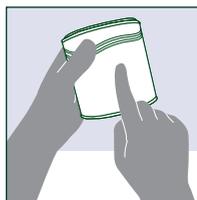
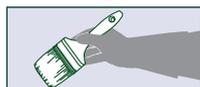
Before priming/undercoating, mask off the area to be painted.



Bare substrate:

5 Priming

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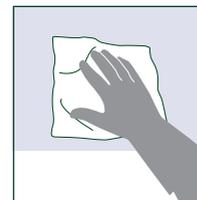
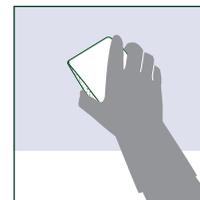
Due to the porous nature of aged gelcoats, the risk of moisture or solvent entrapment – leading to blisters – is increased; applying Interprotect followed by Perfection Undercoat can reduce this risk and seal the gelcoat, prior to applying the finish.



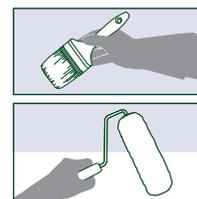
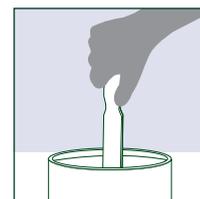
Using Interdeck (ready-mixed formula):

6 Application

Sand the primer (if used) with 180-220 grade wet or dry paper. Remove dust with a dust wipe or tack rag, according to label recommendations.



Mix Interdeck thoroughly; apply 1-2 coats. For best results either stipple by brush or use a mohair roller.

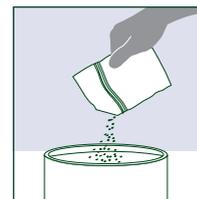
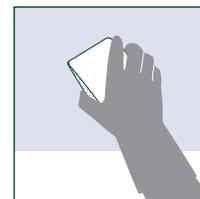


Using Non-Slip Additive with International® Toplac® or Perfection (hand-mixed method):

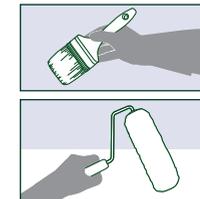
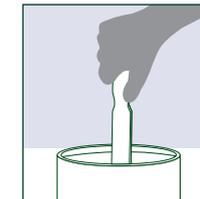
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Add the contents of the Non-Slip Additive sachet to International Perfection or Toplac®.



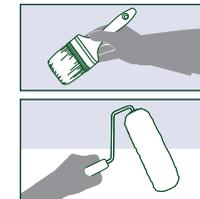
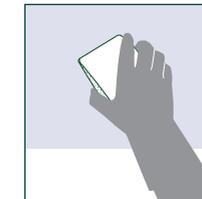
Mix thoroughly. Apply 1-2 coats to deck area, using a brush or roller. For best results either stipple by brush or use a mohair roller.



Using Non-Slip Additive with International® Toplac® or Perfection (broadcast method):

8 Application

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Apply one coat of topcoat. While the paint is still wet, sprinkle Non-Slip Additive over the surface. Allow to dry thoroughly following the recommendations provided on the finish label. Remove excess grit. Apply second coat of finish.

