FLUID FILM WRO-EP Details

National Stock Number: 9150-00-530-6814
5 gal/Pail:

Description: Permanently soft gel. Conforms to MIL-PRF-18458 C. Submarine Material Usage Category-Limited-100°F Maximum Temperature.

Color: Greenish black

General Usage:

WRO-EP is recommended for the general maintenance of wire rope. It provides corrosion protection and lubrication for standing and running rigging, drag lines and bridge cable. The high tackiness of WRO-EP minimizes throw-off on higher speed running rigging and provides higher resistance to water abrasion and washout when used in tidal areas. Extreme pressure properties provide excellent lubrication for both wire rope and open gear applications.

Rusty wire rope and cable should be first treated with FLUID FILM Liquid A to attain maximum penetration.

Where a low viscosity material is desired for a slushing compound, the use of FLUID FILM Gel-WRL is recommended. This product also has extreme pressure properties. See Technical Bulletin #206.2.

Application:

WRO-EP Wire Rope Lubricant may be applied using a leather or lambs wool glove. When a considerable length of wire is to be coated, it may be advantageous to apply as follows: Form a cone of leather, about two feet long and six inches in diameter at the base. Both base and apex are left open with the wire rope passing through the apex. The apex is tightly lashed around the wire with marlin for about six inches. WRO-EP is applied to the wire with a rag, then the leather cone is dragged along the wire (or vice versa) so that the excess is scraped off into the cone, the remainder being well worked into the rope crevices. The amount of material left on the wire can be regulated by adjusting the marlin lashing. Too heavy an application not only wastes material but also can result in throw-off, particularly in running cable.

Typical Properties

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<td>NLGI Grade</td>
<td>1-2</td>
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Specific Gravity: 0.928-0.938

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<th>Dropping Point:</th>
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<th>Flash Point:</th>
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Effect on Rubber: None on neoprene and buna-n. May cause swelling on non oil-resistant rubber goods.

VOC Less than 0.1% (CARB 310)

Comparison With MIL-PRF-18458 C

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<td>Oil Separation:</td>
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<td>Lead Wear Index: (ASTM D-2596)</td>
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<td>Accelerated Weathering: (ASTM G-23)</td>
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<td>Salt Spray 20%: (240 hours)</td>
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<td>Low Temperature Flexibility: (20°F)</td>
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<td>Volatile Matter:</td>
<td>1.7%</td>
<td>2% Max.</td>
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<td>Adhesiveness:</td>
<td>99.8%</td>
<td>95% Min.</td>
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* Packaged in 39 pound pails and 441 pound drums.

All components of FLUID FILM® WRO-EP are listed on the TSCA Inventory.

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### Fluid Film

**Tank Coatings, Rudder, and Void Preservatives, Appendixage Protection**

**FLUID FILM Liquid A**

- Applied by spray, flotation, fill and drain, or brush. Use as a descaler over heavily corroded surfaces. Up to 2 years service.
  - NSN-8030-01-387-1051 5-gal. pail (20 liter)
  - NSN-8030-01-386-3877 1-gal. 4/case

**FLUID FILM Liquid AR (semi-liquid)**

- Applied by spray or brush over moderately corroded surfaces after removal of thick rust scale. Up to 3–5 years service.
  - NA 5-gal. pail (20 liter)
  - NSN-8030-01-381-7311 1-gal. 4/case

**FLUID FILM Gel BW**

- Applied by spray or brush over rusted surfaces. Long term protection. Up to 3–10 years service; submersibles to 20 years.
  - NA 5-gal. pail (20 liter)

**FLUID FILM Gel BEW**

- Applied to external appendages and components by brush.
  - NSN-8030-01-381-3160 5-gal. pail (20 liter)

**Wire Rope Dressings**

**FLUID FILM Liquid A**

- Applied by lubricator, glove, or dipping. Core penetration without lubricator.
  - NSN-8030-01-387-1051 5-gal. pail (20 liter)
  - NSN-8030-01-386-3877 1-gal. 4/case

**FLUID FILM WRN-EP (extreme pressure)**

- Commercial dressing applied by lubricator or glove.
  - NA 5-gal. pail (20 liter)

**FLUID FILM WRO-EP (extreme pressure)**

- Government specification Mil-G018458 (SH) applied by lubricator or glove.
  - NSN-9159-00-530-6814 35 lb. pail (15.5 kg)

**General Maintenance Aerosol/Non-Aerosol**

**FLUID FILM AS (aerosol)**

- NSN-8030-01-387-1131 11-3/4 oz. 12/case

**FLUID FILM NAS (non-aerosol)**

- NSN-8030-01-381-6357 12 oz. 12/case
  - NSN-8030-01-386-3871 1-gal. 4/case
  - NSN-8030-01-387-1070 5-gal. pail (20 liter)
Testing was performed in the laboratory of Eureka Chemical Company according to procedures similar to ASTM methods for measuring corrosion.

For the test, each product was sprayed onto eight, 3x6" bare steel test panels. The panels were then suspended vertically for 24 hours to simulate end use conditions.

After 24 hours, all products except Fluid Film® had sagged toward the bottom edge of the panels, resulting in increased film thickness at the bottom and less thickness above.

All of the panels were then suspended within a closed cabinet with a salt fog atmosphere of 5% salt concentration. The panels were removed from the test chamber when each reached approximately 95% surface corrosion.

Two product panels reached 95% corrosion within 14 days, a third in 45 days. After 52 days (1248 hours) Fluid Film® had reached a corrosion percentage of only 5%.

Fluid Film® is non-toxic and non-hazardous — important considerations in workplace environment and safety. Once applied, Fluid Film’s flash point is a high 405 F, compared to typical 125 F for solvent-based products.

While most products of its kind contain between seventy and ninety percent solvent, Fluid Film® contains none, except for the propellant in its aerosol cans. This means that only ten to thirty percent of competing products are usable corrosion control material. The rest evaporates, contaminating the atmosphere and useless to the user.

For technical information on the various forms of Fluid Film®, visit www.eurekafluidfilm.com.
TECHNICAL BULLETIN

PRODUCT DATA: #202.2
SUBJECT: WELDING ON FLUID FILM® COATED SURFACES

PREPARATION:

Under all circumstances, verify that tank interior is gas free.

The determination of the tank as gas-free is necessary, as mud and sludge in the tank bottom may produce methane and ethane gas by bacterial action. Fuel and/or solvent cleaners may have been inadvertently introduced, creating an explosive atmosphere within the air space of the tank. This should be determined with a standard calibrated explosimeter.

Particular attention should be paid to removing any pockets of flammable gas which may accumulate in "dead-air" spaces beneath the overhead, especially if work is to be performed near the area.

Make certain that no combustible materials, such as wooden staging or rags, are in areas where hot slag could ignite them.

While the usual precautionary measures should be followed in connection with any welding or burning, it is recommended that any tanks on which hot work is to be performed should be completely ballasted, at least twice, with clean sea water.

FLUID FILM® Liquid A and Liquid AR have a Flash Point of 315°F, COC, and FLUID FILM® Gel B, 405°F, COC.

When welding, cutting or burning of steel whose surface, front or back, is coated with FLUID FILM®, the coating should be wiped with rags or scraped with a wooden tool for a distance of four feet (1.25 meters) from the point of line of hot work. A squeegee with a flexible rubber or plastic wiper blade is suitable and more rapid for preparation of larger areas.

At times it may be desirable to remove the material for a distance greater than four feet, to provide additional working area. When extensive hot work is to be performed on the tank overhead, it is advised that the area below be covered with a layer of clean water to quench any falling hot slag.

If burning of welding is to be performed on a vertical surface, heat conduction may cause the coating above to melt and flow into the path of the flame. If this occurs, work should immediately be stopped, and the melted material cleared, before resuming.

Maintain proper fire watch.
When cutting a section, such as a disk, out of a metal plate coated on the back side with FLUID FILM®, a pilot hole should be drilled on the perimeter of the cut to minimize time requirements for penetration by the torch. Drilling several holes will also allow for the venting of any flammable gas trapped directly under the overhead.

If the section to be removed is not too large, fashion a handle of a welding rod and tack weld it to the plate, to prevent the section from falling into the coated tank.

AFTER COMPLETION:

When hot work is completed, new welds should be chipped of slag, wire brushed, and washed with a wet rag, to remove salts from welding rod fluxes which interfere with adhesion.

FLUID FILM® should be replaced on the dry steel by brush application or other suitable method. It is recommended that FLUID FILM® Gel BW be used for this purpose.

SAFETY REGULATIONS:

The following excerpts are taken from OSHA safety regulations:

29 CFR, Section 1915.23 (b) (2)
"Flame or heat shall not be used to remove soft and greasy preservation coatings."

29 CFR, Section 1915.32
(f) "When welding, cutting or heating is performed on tank shells, decks, overheads and bulkheads, since direct penetration of sparks or heat transfer may introduce a fire hazard to an adjacent compartment, the same precautions shall be taken on the opposite side on which the welding is being performed."
(g) "The gas supply of the torch shall be positively shut off at some point outside the confined space whenever the torch is not to be used or whenever the torch is left unattended for a substantial period of time, such as during the lunch hour.

29 CFR, Section 1915.33 (d)
"Before welding, cutting or heating is commenced in enclosed spaces on metals covered by soft and greasy preservatives, the following precautions shall be taken:

1. A competent person shall test the atmosphere in the space to ensure that it does not contain explosive vapors......

2. The preservative coatings shall be removed for sufficient distance from the area to be heated to ensure that the temperature of the unstripped metal will not be appreciably raised. Artificial cooling of the metal surrounding the heated area may be used to limit the size of the area required to be cleaned."

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