

TROUBLESHOOTING

There are certain circumstances that arise that can affect the appearance and performance of the chlorinated rubber pool coatings. Below are outlined some of the common situations, what the possible cause is and how it can be remedied.

1. STAINING – this is when a fine powdery coating forms on the surface resulting in a reduction in gloss.

Possible causes

- i) The pool is filled too soon, before the paint is fully cured
- ii) The depositing of soluble salts onto the paint surface caused by unstable water chemistry, super-chlorinated water or over treating water with calcium hypochlorite
- iii) Application of the paint at low temperatures

Possible Solutions

- i) Ensure that the paint is left to cure for the recommended time before filling, this might be longer in winter
- ii) High chlorine levels affect chalking, keep levels in line with recommendations. Also, regular brushing and filtration helps minimize chalking.
- iii) Check calcium hardness levels and consult your pool shop for remedies.
- iv) Drain the pool and leave to dry. Then either acid wash or solvent wash the entire surface.

2. BLISTERING – is when the coating shows cracks and peeling from the substrate.

Possible Causes

- i) Using a medium (12mm) to long nap (20mm) roller which draws too much air into the paint
- ii) Painting over a moist or damp surface
- iii) Painting during high temperature (over 30°C)
- iv) Applying the paint too thick
- v) Filling the pool before it is cured
- vi) Incompatible paints

Possible Solutions

- i) Apply at recommended coverage rates
- ii) Ensure that the surface is dry prior to painting
- iii) Ensure paint is fully cured before filling with water

3. BUBBLES - Bubbles should not appear if the paint is correctly applied.

Possible Causes

- i) Painting over a damp or poorly cleaned surface
- ii) Use of too much paint resulting in an excessively thick finish coat
- iii) Finish coat 'worked' too much
- iv) Applying the next coat before the previous coat has dried

Possible Solution

- i) If bubbles should appear on the surface of the paint after it has become tacky or touch dry they can be collapsed and removed by brushing them lightly with a little Chlorinated Rubber thinners.
- ii) If bubbles have hardened, they should be depressed using finger pressure or a rolling pin. It is important not to burst or scrape any bubbles. Once depressed the bubbles will reform to a smooth film as the pool is filled with water.

COVERAGE – 8-10m² per litre

PACKS – 10 litre

COLOURS – Olympic Blue, Amazon Blue, White and Black.