

# PRODUCT DATA SHEET



**NeverFade® ORIGINAL TOPCOAT**  
with Kynar Aquatec®  
Water-Based PVDF  
**PRODUCT #: P-SERIES CUSTOM**



## PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:

The NeverFade® ORIGINAL with Kynar Aquatec® coating system is one of APV's most advanced exterior topcoat chemistries for the architectural industry. This water-based and low VOC product is engineered specifically for stucco, masonry, EIFS, fiber cement, concrete, and other composite building products, offering high resistance to UV degradation. Offered with a 15-year transferable warranty on color fading, NeverFade® has proven its longevity in protecting and preserving facades in harsh UV-prone environments while maintaining color vibrance- even with dark colors and earth-tones.

Along with color performance, NeverFade® protects surfaces against algae, fungus, abrasion, dirt pickup, and stains and does not chalk or break down overtime like traditional exterior acrylic latex coatings.



Natural elements, such as sunlight, water, wind, and air, drastically break down coatings overtime. The heart of the Kynar Aquatec® FMA-12 emulsion technology, the key ingredient in the NeverFade® Original Topcoat, is the carbon-fluorine (C-F) bond. The C-F bond is one of the strongest bonds known and it is the basis for extreme weatherability, withstanding harsh thermal, chemical, and ultraviolet environmental conditions.

## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:

Product Description:	NeverFade® ORIGINAL Facade Restoration Topcoat
Product Number:	P-Series
Number of Components:	One
Color:	Custom
Type:	Water-Based
Viscosity: (ASTM D 2196-86):	70-90 KU @ 77 °F
Weight per Gallon (ASTM D 1475-90):	9 -12 lbs/gal (1.083-1.443 g/ml)
Gloss @ 60°	10-20 (Eggshell), 30-45 (Semi-gloss)
pH:	8 - 10
Flash Point:	> 167 °F (75 °C)
Solids:	39-55% by weight 32-45% by volume
VOC:	40 - 100 g/l (depending on color)
Recommended Film thickness:	5.0 - 6.0 mil, wet 2.0 mil, dry
Coverage:	250 - 300 sq ft/gal
Dry Time: (dependant on air temperature/humidity)	To touch: 15-30 min. Re-coat: 6 hours
Shelf Life:	12 Months Unopened
Freeze Caution:	Keep from freezing
Recommended Storage:	Cool Dry Storage

## SUBSTRATES:

NeverFade® Original Topcoat is recommended for use over a number of different substrates including Stucco, EIFS, Vinyl, Masonry, Concrete, and Fiber Cement. Other substrates are acceptable, contact APV Engineered Coatings' Technical Department for approval and application requirements.

## SHEENS:

NeverFade® Original Topcoat is available in Eggshell and Semi-gloss sheens. Flat or high-gloss may be formulated under special request.

## PACKAGING:

NeverFade® Original Topcoat is ready-to-use as supplied. Packaging sizes include: 1 gallon cans, 5 gallon pails and 55 gallon drums.

## FEATURES:



Engineered with Kynar Aquatec®

Contains Complex Inorganic Pigments

Exceptional Resistance to UV Degradation & Chalking

Water-Based

Low VOC

Long-term Protection for Composite Façades

Resistant to Algae & Fungal Growth

Resistant to Abrasion

Resistant to Dirt Pick-up & Stains

Spray, Brush, or Roll Application

Custom Matched Colors

## SUBSTRATE PREPARATION:

Although APV's coating systems have been designed to apply over a wide variety of surface types, some substrates require additional preparation. Always consult your APV technical representative regarding each project. In all cases, the substrate must be properly prepared as defined in the instructions below and tested using the ASTM D3359 Standard Test Methods for Measuring Adhesion by Tape Test prior to coating the surface. Follow the guidelines on surface preparation and application thoroughly by referencing the **Field Coatings Guide**. Inadequate surface preparation and application can lead to coating failure and/or under-performance.

## APPLICATION:

### TEMPERATURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

Ambient air temperature is pertinent to coating performance and cure. Be sure to check that the air, surface, and material are between 55°-90°F and at least 5°F above the dew point. Avoid application if precipitation is expected within 24 hours and/or if air or surface temperature is expected to drop below 35°F within two days. Use caution when applying paint in direct sunlight as the flow, leveling and application characteristics will be adversely affected.

**Wind Velocity** | High wind velocity can severely impair spray application which can result in loss of materials, low film build, excessive dry spray or overspray. It is recommended to delay work until wind conditions are below 15 m.p.h.

**Dust and Contamination** | Work areas should be protected from conditions where dust and contamination are possible during the application and curing process. Dust and contaminants that settle on fresh applied coatings can impair the integrity of the coating leading to a shorter coating life and reduced performance. Please ensure your work area is free from dust and contaminants. If any previous coatings accumulate dust or contaminants, remove those before adding succeeding coats.

**Mixing and Thinning** | NeverFade® should always be mixed thoroughly before use with an air mixer for 10-15 minutes. No reduction necessary for brush or roll application; however, small amounts of cool, clean, water can be added if needed to optimize viscosity for spray application.

**Ventilation** | Always use adequate ventilation and proper NIOSH approved respirator when applying NeverFade® topcoats and APV primers. Avoid breathing mist or sanding dust created by the application or surface preparation.

### FILM THICKNESS AND SPREADING RATE

Theoretical spreading rates can be used as a rough guide for determining film thickness. However, to ensure proper film thickness, wet thickness readings should be taken at random locations immediately after application. A Nordson Wet Film Gauge or similar instrument may be used for this purpose.

Dry film thickness may be measure on ferrous metals using a magnetic gauge following the procedure outlined in SSPC-PA2, Sections IV, Paint Thickness Measurement. Readings should be taken in accordance with the specifications standards mentioned above.

Applying the appropriate film thickness is important to the performance characteristics of the coating. Be careful not to apply too heavy of a coat. Excessive paint on the surface may result in runs and sags as well as weak spots in the film. A heavy coat weight may also change the drying properties causing wrinkling or cracking, and adversely affect intercoat adhesion.

### BRUSH, ROLL AND SPRAY APPLICATION

NeverFade® Topcoat can be applied with a brush, roller, or spray gun. When using a spray application, it is advisable to back-roll surfaces to assure proper wetting of the substrate. Products can be reduced as necessary for spray with water.

**Brush** | Nylon/Polyester Brush

**Roller** | 3/8"-3/4" nap cover

**HVLP or Airless Spray** | Tip .015-.019, Pressure 1500-2000 P.S.I.

## CLEANUP INFORMATION:

Always observe good professional hygiene practices and wash hands thoroughly after using our products. Clean hands immediately after use with soap and water. Use water to thoroughly clean application equipment. This will keep the coating from curing onto the surfaces. Any cured or dried coating left on the equipment will have to be removed with standard grade paint thinner. After cleaning, flush spray equipment with water or a water/solvent blend.

**CAUTIONS.** It is necessary for the integrity of the job that contractors ensure all personnel are properly protected from hazards when coating, or blast cleaning. There are numerous OSHA standards that cite how, where, and when workers need to be protected. You should consult OSHA, local, and equipment officials before starting the job to ensure your complete compliance with the law to avoid any liability issues. Product labels, Product Data Sheets, and Safety Data Sheets should always be consulted prior to any coating operations, and safety and health details should be addressed prior to implementing these operations.

Always dispose of dry, empty containers in compliance with local or state regulatory codes. First Aid: In case of eye contact, flush with water for 15 minutes. In case of skin contact, wash with soapy and water. If you experience difficulty breathing, seek a fresh source of air. In all cases, if you continue to experience discomfort, seek medical attention immediately. All products are for professional use only. Do not take internally. Keep out of reach of children. **Refer to the Material Safety Data Sheet for safety instructions.**

**WARNING!** Removal of old paint may generate fumes and dust that contain lead. This may be a step in the surface preparation process outlined previously. Lead can cause serious health issues. For more information regarding the proper protective equipment, containment, and cleanup for the removal of lead based paints contact the **National Lead Information Center at 1.800.424.LEAD** or contact your local health authority.



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\*NeverFade® uses a specialized pigment system. Some colors may not incorporate this pigment system which, therefore, will not be covered under the warranty. APV will notify all customers if the chosen color falls outside of this system.

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