# Rust-Oleum<sup>®</sup> Industrial Brands Specification

## Coating Specification for Rust-Oleum Virtual Solutions Coating Solution 37

A water based coating system

Sierra Performance<sup>ï</sup> S37Metalmax<sup>®</sup> DTM Acrylic Enamel For Steel Substrates in a Mild Industrial Environment

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This is a general coating specification. Changes to this specification may void any product warranties. Contact your Rust-Oleum representative or Rust-Oleum Technical Service if modifications are required to better meet your needs.



## PART I GENERAL

#### 1.01 SCOPE OF WORK

A. Provide all materials and labor necessary to install Rust-Oleum<sup>®</sup> Sierra Performanceï Metalmax<sup>®</sup> S37 DTM Acrylic Enamel in strict accordance with project drawings, specifications and current Rust-Oleum Corporation application instructions.

#### 1.02 RELATED WORK BY OTHER (SELECT AS NEEDED)

- A. Division 3 Concrete
- B. Division 4 Masonry
- C. Division 5 Metals
- **D.** Division 6 Wood
- E. Division 7 Thermal & Moisture Protection
- F. Division 10 Specialties
- **G.** Division 11 Special Construction

#### 1.03 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

A. The Metalmax® S37 DTM Acrylic Enamel is a zero VOC, and zero HAPs, waterbased urethane modified acrylic coating manufactured by Rust-Oleum Corporation, located at 11 Hawthorn Parkway, Vernon Hills, IL 60061 (847) 367-7700. The Metalmax® S37 DTM Acrylic Enamel is suitable for direct to metal application for both interior and exterior use, over properly prepared surfaces in mild to moderate industrial environments.

#### 1.04 ENGINEERING AND DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

- **A.** The Design Architect and Project Engineer shall be responsible for all decisions pertaining to design, detail, and structural capability. Rust-Oleum Corporation has written specifications, technical data and application information to assist in the design and engineering processes.
- B. Equivalent materials of other manufacturers may be substituted on approval of the engineer or designer. These requests for substitution shall include manufacturers literature for each product giving the name, resin type, descriptive information, volume solids, and recommended dry film thickness. A list of a minimum of ten (10) projects where the coating system has been applied and performed to expectations for at least three (3) years service is also required. No requests for substitution shall be considered that lower system film thickness, number of coats and/or change the resin type of the specified coating. Equivalent product substitutions will be accepted only from the Contractor and will be considered only after the contract has been awarded.
- **C.** Custom colors are available for a nominal charge per color set-up from Rust-Oleum Corporation.
- **D.** Metalmax is not suitable for water immersion applications.

#### 1.05 SURFACE PREPARATION AND APPLICATION DESCRIPTION

- A. Substrate cleaning, surface preparation, coating application and dry film thickness shall be as specified and shall meet or exceed Rust-Oleum Corporations recommendations.
- **B**. All application equipment shall be clean and maintained in proper working order in accordance with the equipment manufacturers' recommendations.

C. The Metalmax shall be applied in accordance with the air and surface temperature limits and work areas shall be reasonably free of airborne dust during application and drying time.

#### 1.06 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

**A.** The Metalmax finishes have the following physical properties and these are published on the Rust-Oleum Corporation Technical Data Sheet.

Volume Solids	40%
Recommended Dry Film	
Thickness (DFT)	1-3 mils
Practical Coverage	
(assumes 15% material	180-545 sq ft/gal
loss)	
VOC	0 g/l (0 lbs/gal)
Dry Time	
(@ 70F/21C and 50% RH)	
Tack Free	30 minutes
Handle	2-4 hours
Recoat	2-4 hours

#### 1.07 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. Applicator Qualifications:
  - 1. Shall be knowledgeable in the proper installation of Metalmax and experienced in the application of a water based, industrial, acrylic enamel.
  - 2. Shall provide a minimum of one (1) year workmanship warranty for the application of Metalmax.
  - 3. A list of Certified Rust-Oleum Corporation Coating Applicators is available from Rust-Oleum Corporation.
- **B.** Pre-, Mid-, and Post-Job Conferences shall be scheduled at discretion of the Project Engineer, Design Architect, or General Contractor.

#### 1.08 SUBMITTALS

- **A.** Product Data: Metalmax, application and related equipment information.
- **B.** Color Cards: Supply color cards of specified materials showing range of colors.
- **C.** Applicator: If applicable, provide certified contractor documentation showing proof of familiarity with Metalmax.

#### 1.09 DELIVERY STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Deliver the Metalmax on-site in Rust-Oleum Corporation labeled, original, unopened containers.
- **B.** All materials shall be stored inside or under cover at ambient temperature. Keep materials dry, protected from elemental damage, and protect from freezing.

#### 1.10 PROJECT CONDITIONS

- **A.** Protect adjacent work from damage and overspray during application of Metalmax.
- **B.** Shop coat primers should be specified to accept the application Metalmax.

#### 1.11 WARRANTY

- A. The technical data and suggestions of use are correct to the best of our knowledge, and offered in good faith. The statements of this specification do not constitute a warranty, expressed, or implied, as to the performance of these products. As conditions and use of our materials are beyond our control, we can guarantee these products only to conform to our standards of quality, and our liability, if any, will be limited to replacement of defective materials. All technical information is subject to change without notice.
- **B.** Special written project warranties may be issued on a request basis at the discretion of the Rust-Oleum Corporation Technical and Legal Departments and would not be contained within this specification document.

### 2. PRODUCTS

#### 2.01 MANUFACTURER

**A.** Metalmax shall be obtained through a Rust-Oleum distributor. To request nearest distribution source contact Rust-Oleum Corporation.

#### 2.02 MATERIALS

A. Metalmax is a semi-gloss finish available in a selection of standard colors, and tint bases for field tinting operations. Contact Rust-Oleum Corporation for availability of colors and container size.

## 3. EXECUTION

#### 3.01 JOB CONFERENCES

A. A pre-job conference shall be at the discretion of the architect, engineer or general contractor. Coating contractor, substrate installer and other trades whose work affects the application of Metalmax shall meet at the project site to review procedures and time schedule proposed for application of Metalmax and related work. Additional conferences are at the discretion of the architect, engineer, general contractor and/or owner.

#### 3.02 SURFACE PREPARATION

- **A**. All cleaning and surface preparations specified are minimums.
- B. All surfaces to be coated shall be free of cracks, pits, fins, projections, or other imperfections that would interfere with the formation of a uniform, unbroken coating film. The coating contractor is to examine the substrate to determine if it is in satisfactory condition to receive Metalmax. Obtain coating contractors written report listing conditions detrimental to performance of work in this specification. Do not proceed with the application of Metalmax until unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.
- C. All oil, grease, and chalking shall be completely removed with biodegradable degreasers prior to mechanical cleaning begins. (Rust-Oleum 3599 Cleaner Degreaser)

- **D.** Surfaces of welds shall be scraped and ground as necessary to remove all slag and weld spatter.
- **E.** At minimum all steel surfaces shall be cleaned in accordance to SSPC-SP-3 Power Tool Cleaning.
- F. Previously coated surfaces shall be repaired to be relatively free of surface imperfections. A check for loosely held, delaminating coating shall be performed as per ASTM 3359. The gloss shall be dulled by mechanical means to promote proper adhesion of Metalmax. All previous coatings damaged by welding shall be completely removed.
- **G.** Satisfactory inspection by the Owner, General Contractor, Project Engineer, at any point in the coating process does not relieve the contractor of ownership and responsibility with regard to application long term service life.

#### 3.03 MIXING AND THINNING

#### A. MIXING

Metalmax shall be thoroughly mixed to uniform color.

#### B. THINNING

- 1. Thinning, when necessary, shall be done with clean, ambient temperature clean, fresh water.
- 2. Thinning is not required for brush, roll application.
- 3. Thinning is not normally required for air atomized or HVLP spray. However, the Metalmax can be thinned up to 12% by volume (1 pint per gallon).
- 4. Thin Metalmax up to 6% by volume for airless spray application.

#### 3.04 APPLICATION

#### A. Weather Conditions

- 1. Apply when air and surface temperatures are between 50-100° F (10-38° C), the relative humidity is no greater than 80%, and surface temperature is at least 5° F (3° C) above the dew point.
- 2. This coating can tolerate application to damp surfaces; however, conditions must be favorable to allow the moisture to evaporate.
- 3. Metalmax shall not be applied, except under shelter, during wet, damp, foggy, or windy weather. When necessary, the area to be coated should be sheltered by a temporary enclosure.

#### B. Coating Application

- Apply one full coat of selected Metalmax finish at the recommended dry film thickness.
- Metalmax shall be allowed to cure for a minimum of 2 hours prior to recoating.
- 3. In no instance shall Metalmax be applied greater than 3 mils dry film thickness per coat.
- 4. Sags, checks, blisters, skips, teardrops, or rolled edges shall not be accepted and shall be completely removed and recoated.

#### C. Protection of surfaces

- 1. The Coating Contractor shall be responsible for protecting all adjacent surfaces from spills, drips, overspray, or any other form of coating damage.
- 2. The coating contractor and its subcontractors shall be responsible for removing spots or repairing damaged surfaces to the satisfaction of the project engineer, design architect and/or owner.

#### 3.05 CLEAN-UP

- **A.** Clean-up shall be done to remove all spills, drips, overspray, or other unwanted coating from all surfaces not intended to be coated.
- **B.** All used rags, brushes, roller covers, and other application related materials shall be removed from the work site and disposed in a proper manner and in accordance with local waste regulations.
- **C.** All equipment, staging, ladders, and other contractor materials brought onto the jobsite by the contractor shall be remove at the conclusion of the job in a timely manner.

#### **END OF SECTION**