

Borchi® Dragon High-Performance Catalyst Formulation Guide

- 1. Add Borchi[®] Dragon high-performance catalyst as the last ingredient into alkyd resin or fully formulated alkyd-based paint
 - Leave out any secondary driers or anti-skins in initial testing
- 2. Test a ladder study to determine optimum loading
 - Borchers recommends 0.5%, 1%, 2% up to 3% Borchi[®] Dragon, as supplied on resin solids.

Adding too much of Borchi[®] Dragon can overdose the system and cause dry retardation

3. To determine drier requirement:

(% resin solids in paint formulation) x (% dosage loading of Borchi[®] Dragon) x (batch size) = amount of Borchi[®] Dragon required in paint formulation

Example of adding 1% Borchi[®] Dragon into 40% resin solids paint formulation for 100g batch

size 0.4 (resin solids) X 0.01 (dosage loading) X 100g (batch size) = 0.40g Borchi[®] Dragon

4. To determine how much Borchi[®] Dragon is needed for (X) gallons of paint:

W= gallons of paint produced Y=density of paint lbs/gallon Z= wt/wt dosage of Borchi® Dragon

 $\frac{(W)(Y)(Z)}{(gallons) 8.68 lbs/gal} = Volume of Borchi[®] Dragon needed$

Example of 1% Borchi[®] Dragon into 40% resin solids paint formulation. (0.4g into 100g batch size.) Density of the paint is 8.83lbs/gallon, and 100 gallons of paint is produced annually.

<u>100 gallons (paint produced) X 8.83 lbs/gallon (density of paint) X 0.004 (wt/wt)</u> = 0.41 gallons Borchi[®] Dragon 8.68 lbs/gallon



- 5. Mix in required drier addition at medium to low shear
- 6. Allow the formulas to sit for 24 hours to allow the Borchi[®] Dragon to equilibrate
- 7. After 24 hours, drawdown paint formulation on Leneta or customer specific substrate and measure for dry times
 - Circular dry recorders are standard practice
- 8. Once optimum dosage loading is determined add in secondary driers or anti-skin as needed to achieve desired performance properties
 - Secondary driers such as Zirconium Hex-Cem[®] can help decrease dry times
 - Secondary driers such as Calcium Hex-Cem[®] can prevent loss of surface dry by preferentially being absorbed by pigments
 - Secondary driers such as AOC E (aluminum) can help decrease dry times and increase hardness



Additional Information:

Anti-Skinning agents can negatively impact drying performance. It is important to test Borchi[®] Dragon without anti-skins initially. If an anti-skinning agent is required, a separate ladder study with anti-skins must be performed. We recommend the addition of 0.2% up to 1% Borchi[®] Shield as supplied on total formula weight.

Borchi[®] Shield is a MEKO-Free anti-skinning agent synergistically designed for optimum anti-skin performance when used in combination with Borchi[®] Dragon high-performance catalyst.

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