

Description

The 842 *Silver Conductive Coating* is a very highly conductive acrylic paint—meeting MIL-STD-883H volume resistivity—that is designed to reduce electromagnetic or radio frequency interference (EMI/RFI) for non-conductive enclosures. Long-term protection from EMI/RFI is assured by its durable acrylic resin that minimizes metallization loss through rubbing, and by the oxidation resistant silver that slows down conductivity degradation with age. The acrylic resin system used was shown, in UL related testing, to adhere to even difficult substrates like ABS and polycarbonates.

Applications & Usages

Its primary application is to provide a high-conductivity EMI/RFI shielding suitable for harsh environments. It may also act as a conductive base in manufacturing processes where it is necessary to impart conductivity to a surface. As well, the silver is non-magnetic, offering a low relative permeability that provides reasonable skin depths, which makes it suitable for microwave transmissions applications.

Benefits and Features

- **Meets MIL-STD-883H** (Volume Resistivity = 0.00016 Ω·cm)
- **Mean attenuation 75 dB ±8 dB** per 25.4 μm (~1.0 mil) for frequency range of 10 MHz to 18 GHz
- **High Surface Conductivity** (≥15 Siemen)—**Low Surface resistance** of ≤0.065 Ω/sq @ 1 mil
- **Repairable and removable thermoplastic paint system**
- **Tough and durable coat with excellent weatherability**
- **Stronger adhesion than water based coatings**
- **Corrosion resistant coating**
- **Rub off resistant**
- **Low VOC's**

ENVIRONMENT

Meets RoHS directive
Low VOC MIR

Curing & Work Schedule

<i>Properties</i>	<i>Value</i>
Dry to Touch (liquid)	3 to 5 min
Recoat time (liquid)	2 min
Full Cure at room temp.	24 hour
Full Cure at 65 °C	30 min
Shelf Life	1 year
Storage Temperature Limits ^{a)}	-5 to +40 °C [+23 to +104°F]

a) The product must stay within the storage temperature limits stated. **ATTENTION!** Aerosol container will be crushed at ≤-26.5 °C [≤15.7 °F].

Service Ranges

<i>Properties</i>	<i>Value</i>
Constant Service Temperature	-40 to +120 °C [-40 to +248 °F]
Maximum Coverage Per 340 g can ^{b)}	<5 000 cm ² [<1 500 in ²]

b) Idealized estimate based on a coat thickness of 25 μm [1.0 mil] and 50% transfer efficiency



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Principal Components

Name	CAS Number
Silver	7440-22-4
Acrylic Resin	9003-01-4
Acetone	67-64-1
Ethanol	64-17-5
Toluene	108-88-3

Properties of Cured 842

<i>Electric & Magnetic Properties</i>	<i>Method</i>	<i>Value</i>
Volume Resistivity	Method 5011.5 in MIL-STD-883H	0.00016 Ω·cm 6 300 S/cm
Surface Resistance : 1 × coat @ 1 mil : 2 × coats @ 2 mil : 2.5 × coats @ 2.5 mil	square probe	<i>Resistance</i> ^{a,b)} <i>Conductance</i> ^{a,b)} 0.065 Ω/sq 15 S 0.055 Ω/sq 18 S 0.040 Ω/sq 25 S
Magnetic Class		Diamagnetic (Non-magnetic)
Relative Permeability		<1.0
Shielding Attenuation for 33 μm [1.0 mil] ^{a)}	IEEE STD 299-1997	
10 to 100 kHz	"	79 dB to 88 dB
100 kHz to 1 MHz	"	81 dB to 90 dB
1 MHz to 10 MHz	"	52 dB to 81 dB
10 MHz to 100 MHz	"	52 dB to 77 dB
100 MHz to 1 GHz	"	72 dB to 85 dB
1 GHz to 10 GHz	"	66 dB to 85 dB
10 GHz to 18 GHz	"	66 dB to 81 dB
<i>Physical Properties</i>	<i>Method</i>	<i>Value</i>
Paint Type		Lacquer (thermoplastic)
Color		Silver grey, metallic
Abrasion Resistant		Yes
Blister Resistant		Yes
Peeling Resistant		Yes
Water Resistant		Yes

Note: The first coat thickness is typically around 25 μm [1.0 mil].

a) Surface resistance is given in Ω/sq and the corresponding conductance in Siemens (S or Ω⁻¹)

b) Measured values are based on a representative liquid formulation. Since the 842 aerosol has a marginally better conductivity, the attenuation levels should be slightly better than listed above.

c) Minimum and Maximum value for range as determined by external testing by an independent laboratory.

Surface Resistance by Coating Thickness

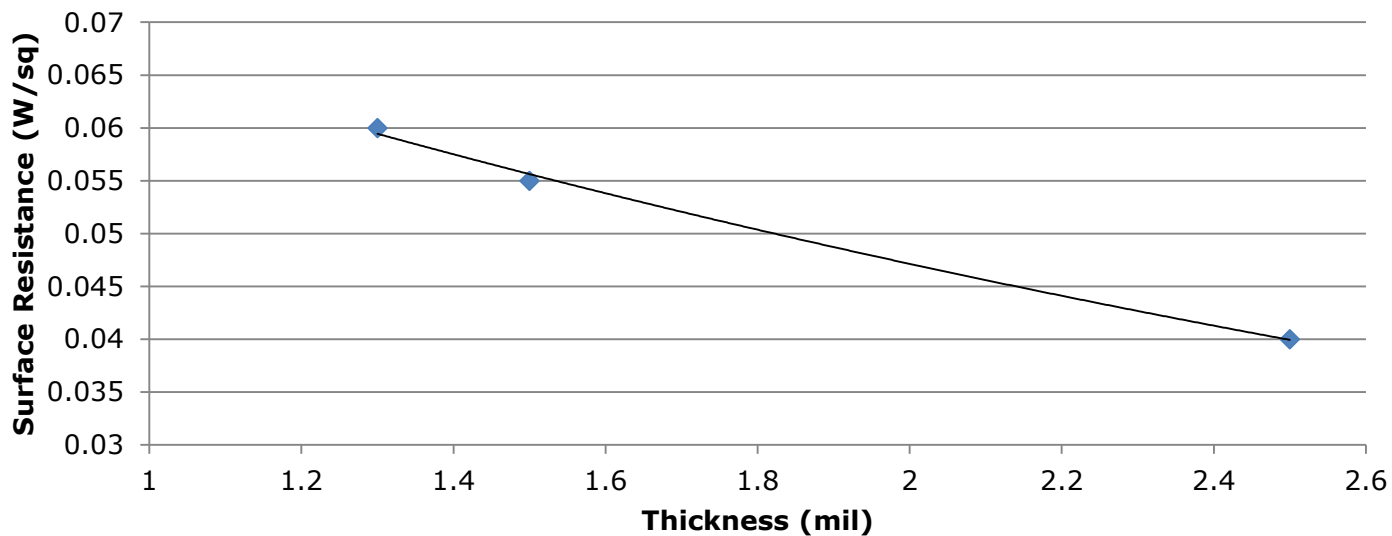


Figure 1. Silver coating surface resistance at different thicknesses based on representative liquid formulation.

Properties of Uncured 842

<i>Physical Property</i>	<i>Mixture</i>
Color	Silver Grey
Density @25 °C	1.06 g/mL
Solids Percentage (wt/wt) ^{a)}	19%
Flash Point	-17 °C [1.4 °F]
Odor	Ethereal



Compatibility

Chemical—The silver filler is quite resistant to oxidation, except in environments that contain contaminants like H₂S or ozone which tarnish its surface. Unlike many other metal oxides, silver oxide remains conductive so degradation due to oxidation is not as bad.

The thermoplastic resin is dissolved by common paint solvents like toluene, xylene, acetone, and MEK. This allows great coating repair and work characteristics, but it does make the coating unsuitable for solvent rich environments.

Adhesion—The 842 coating adheres to most plastics used to house printed circuit assemblies; however, it is not compatible with contaminants like water, oil, and greasy flux residues that may affect adhesion. If contamination is present, clean the surface to be coated first.

842 Adherence Compatibility

Substrate	Note
Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (ABS)	Chemically etches ^{a)} and adheres well to this substrate.
Polybutylene Terephthalate (PBT)	"
Polycarbonate	"
Polyvinyl Acetate (PVA)	"
Acrylics or acrylic paints	Adheres well to clean surface
Copper, Lead, Tin	"
Epoxy, FR4 substrate	"
Polyurethane	Adheres well to clean surface for most urethane types
Wood	Adheres well with surface preparation

a) Etching is similar to sanding, except that it also softens the surface helping to meld the paint to the plastic for superior adhesion.

ATTENTION! Use with care on thin plastics or on plastics where you want to keep original surface intact. The 842 spray contains a controlled amount of solvents designed to chemically etch plastic surfaces to help adhesion by melding the acrylic coating into the plastic substrate. This prevents flaking or peeling.

Storage

Store between -5 °C and 40 °C [23°F and 104 °F] in dry area.

Health, Safety, and Environmental Awareness

Please see the aerosol 842 **Safety Data Sheet** (SDS) for greater details on transportation, storage, handling and other security guidelines.

Environmental Impact: The actual volatile organic content is 43% (459 g/L).



This product meets the European Directive 2011/65/EU Annex II (ROHS); recasting 2002/95/EC.

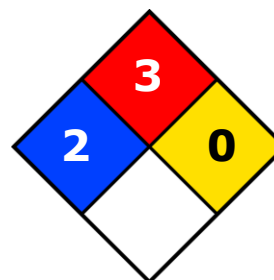
Health and Safety: The solvents in 842 can ignite if exposed to flames or sparks and can cause respiratory track irritation. If ignited, then flame flash back is possible. Use in well-ventilated area.

Solvents can cause skin irritation and have some reproductive effects. Wear safety glasses or goggles and disposable gloves to avoid exposures.

HMIS® RATING

HEALTH:	* 2
FLAMMABILITY:	3
PHYSICAL HAZARD:	0
PERSONAL PROTECTION:	

NFPA® 704 CODES



Approximate HMIS and NFPA Risk Ratings Legend:

0 (Low or none); 1 (Slight); 2 (Moderate); 3 (Serious); 4 (Severe)

Aerosol Application Instructions

For best results, apply thin wet coats as opposed to using thick coats. We recommend a final dry film thickness of at least 1.0 mil [25 µm]. Follow the procedure below for ensure optimal conductivity.

Prerequisites

- Ensure surface to be coated is oil free, dust free and clean

Material & Equipment

- Personal protection equipment (See 842-Aerosol SDS)

To apply the required thickness by weight

1. Shake the can vigorously for 2 minutes, and swirl the bead around the bottom to lift settled material back in solution.
2. Spray a test pattern. This step ensures good flow quality and helps establish appropriate distance to avoid runs.
3. At a distance of 20 to 25 cm (8 to 10 inches), spray a thin and even coat onto a vertical surface. For best results, use spray-and-release strokes with an even motion to avoid excess paint in one spot. Start and end each stroke off the surface.
4. Before the next coat, rotate the surface 90° or change stroke direction (horizontal or vertical) to ensure good coverage.
5. Wait 1 minute, shake can, and spray another coat. The delay avoids trapping solvent between coats.
6. Apply additional coats until desired thickness is achieved. (Go to Step 3)
7. Let dry for 7 minutes (flash off time) at room temperature.

NOTE: Swirling the aerosol can slightly while waiting prevents settling.

ATTENTION!

- Holding the can with at a non-vertical angle during the spray application may result in uneven application.
- Coats that are applied too thick cause runs and hamper solvent evaporation.
- Spraying onto horizontal surfaces is not recommended.

After use, clear the nozzle of the aerosol

1. Invert the aerosol can upside down.
2. Press button until clear propellant comes out. The propellant should become clear in a few seconds.

ATTENTION! Failure to clear nozzle can lead to valve being blocked open or closed in a non-noticeable way.

- If blocked closed, the can will not be usable.
- If blocked slightly open, the contents can spill out overnight.

To cure at Room temperature

- Let air dry 24 hours

To accelerate cure by heat

- After flash off, put in oven or under heat lamp at ≤ 65 °C for 30 min.

NOTE: Coats that are very thick require more time to dry. Heat curing ensures optimal performance.

ATTENTION! If heat curing, do not exceed 65 °C as this may cause surface defects due to solvents evaporating off too quickly.



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Packaging and Supporting Products

<i>Cat. No.</i>	<i>Form</i>	<i>Net Volume</i>		<i>Net Weight</i>		<i>Shipping Weight</i>	
842-140G	Aerosol	126 mL	4.3 fl oz	140 g	4.9 oz	N/Av	N/Av
842-340G	Aerosol	306 mL	10.3 fl oz	340 g	12.0 oz	N/Av	N/Av

Conductive Coating Removers

- *Thinner*: Cat. No. 435-1L, 435-4L

Technical Support

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