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<p>Printed February 08</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FLOETROL Waterborne Paint Conditioner Frequently Asked Questions</p>	
<p>What is Floetrol? Floetrol is a balanced acrylic vehicle that makes emulsion & acrylic paints work like oil paint.</p> <p>What does Floetrol do? Floetrol minimises and often eliminates brush marks, reduces orange peel effect when using a roller and helps keep a wet edge to reduce lap marks.</p> <p>When do you use Floetrol? Whenever paint sets too fast, drags or does not level properly.</p> <p>How much Floetrol should be added? This depends on the application properties of the paint and surface. When applying by brush or roller, adding between 7-15% should be enough to produce a spray like finish.</p> <p>Does Floetrol affect the “wet edge” of emulsion & acrylic paints? Yes. By keeping a wet edge longer, it improves levelling and allows larger areas to be painted without lap marks. It does not affect the paints touch dry or re-coating times.</p> <p>Does Floetrol save money? Yes, by avoiding waste. When paint pulls or drags and does not flow out or level properly, time and money are wasted. Floetrol eliminates these problems.</p> <p>Does Floetrol change the colour or scrub-resistance of paint? No. In fact, a more uniform paint film will wear better and last longer. Floetrol does not thin – but maintains the inherent qualities of the paint.</p> <p>Does Floetrol help when rolling emulsion & acrylic paints? Yes. Floetrol enables the paint to flow freely from the roller to the surface. This means less pressure on the roller and less splattering. Also, each roller full covers more area – that’s less stooping and dipping – a much easier and faster painting job for you.</p> <p>Does Floetrol help in spraying emulsion & acrylic paints? Yes.</p> <p>When airless spraying the addition of 10% (500ml per 5ltrs) of Floetrol to the paint will provide the following advantages.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pressure reduction by approx. 20% to give better material control. 2. Larger and fuller patterns for improved hiding and coverage. 3. Practically eliminates wear and tear on tips, packings, seals and other spray equipment parts. 4. Prevents tip clogging. <p>When cup gun spraying the addition of 5 - 10% (50 - 100mls) of Floetrol per litre of paint is usually enough to ensure smooth spraying and provide the following advantages.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reduces tip clogging and piston freeze-up. 2. Improves spray control and coverage. 3. Extends life of gun and equipment parts. <p>Note: Paint consistency and the type of cup gun can vary and it may be necessary to add more Floetrol before the gun operates effectively.</p>		



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<p>Can Floetrol be added to acrylic/water based paints? Yes. Floetrol can be added to any acrylic/water-based product such as gloss, eggshell and woodstains where water is specified for clean. The exception to this is clear acrylic varnishes, adding Floetrol to these will cause them to bloom</p> <p>Does Floetrol help when applying dark colours such as deep blues and reds? Yes: because Floetrol extends the 'wet-edge' time of the paint, it gives you the time to roll or brush to the paints edge before it has dried, thereby allowing you to attain an even finish and eliminate the lap marks and shading often present with these type of colours until 3-4 coats have been applied. With Floetrol you should find that the standard 2 coats is sufficient to achieve a quality finish; thus reducing labour and material costs</p>		