



SafStrip® 8

neutral pH paint stripper

OVERVIEW

Enviro Klean® SafStrip® 8 is a neutral-pH stripping compound for nearly any hard surface — masonry, concrete, wood or metal. It bears the Enviro Klean® brand because it removes most high-strength paints and clear coats without the methylene chloride or methanol found in traditional solvent paint strippers.

Use SafStrip 8 to break the bond of the toughest oil-based “alkyd” paints, acrylics, lacquers and clear sealers. It also removes graffiti media such as spray paint and “magic” marker.

SafStrip 8’s gel-like consistency makes it hard to spill and easy to apply. It immediately emulsifies in water and may be rinsed off with cold water, hot water or steam.

SPECIFICATIONS

For all PROSOCO product specifications visit www.prosoco.com and click on “SpecBuilder” or “Solution Finder.”

ADVANTAGES

- Does not contain hazardous methylene chloride or methanol.
- Low odor, low toxicity.
- Neutral pH.
- Slow drying.
- Needs no “OverCoat” paper.
- Effectively removes yellowed sealers and wax build-up as well as a variety of paint coatings.
- No surface neutralization required.
- Rinses with cold or hot water.
- Gel-like consistency permits safer application with less spillage.

Limitations

- Not for removal of cementitious coatings.
- Product efficiency is reduced when temperatures are below 40°F (4°C) and above 85°F (29°C).

REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

VOC Compliance

Enviro Klean® SafStrip® 8 is compliant with all national, state and district regulations.

TYPICAL TECHNICAL DATA

FORM	Colorless gel
SPECIFIC GRAVITY	1.05
pH	8.02
WT/GAL	8.80 lbs
ACTIVE CONTENT	Not applicable
TOTAL SOLIDS	Not applicable
VOC CONTENT	30% maximum
FLASH POINT	>200°F (>93°C) ASTM D 3278
FREEZE POINT	Not applicable
SHELF LIFE	2 years in tightly sealed, unopened container

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PREPARATION

Protect people, vehicles, property, glass, solvent sensitive materials, roofing material, plants and all surfaces not set for stripping from product, splash, rinse, residue, fumes and wind drift.

Prepare surface by scraping or pressure rinsing to remove all peeling and/or loose coatings. Let the surface dry thoroughly before applying stripper.

Some metal finishes may be damaged by exposure to SafStrip 8. Always test. Protect with solvent-resistant polyethylene secured by duct tape. Sure Klean® Strippable Masking is not appropriate for use with stripping products.

Surface and Air Temperatures

Surface and air temperatures should be above 40°F (4°C) and below 85°F (29°C) during application.

Cleaning compounds are affected by temperature. Dwell times used successfully in one season may not be effective in another.

Equipment

Apply using a solvent-resistant brush or roller.

Rinse with enough water and pressure to flush spent cleaner and dissolved soiling from the surface and surface pores without damage. Inadequate rinsing leaves residues which may stain the cleaned surface.

Masonry-washing equipment generating 400–1000 psi with a water flow rate of 6–8 gallons per minute is the best water/pressure combination for rinsing porous surfaces. Use a 15–45° fan spray tip. Heated water (150–180°F; 65–82°C) may improve cleaning efficiency. Use adjustable equipment for reducing water flow-rates and rinsing pressure as needed for sensitive surfaces.

Rinsing pressures greater than 1000 psi and fan spray tips smaller than 15° may permanently damage sensitive surfaces. Water flow-rates less than 6 gallons per minute may reduce cleaning productivity and contribute to uneven cleaning results.

Storage and Handling

Store in a cool, dry place. Always seal container after dispensing. Do not alter or mix with other chemicals. Published shelf life assumes upright storage of factory-sealed containers in a dry place. Maintain temperature of 45–100°F (7–38°C). Do not double stack pallets. Dispose of in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

APPLICATION

Before use, read “Preparation” and “Safety Information.”

ALWAYS TEST (minimum 4-ft x 4-ft area) for suitability and results before overall application. Test using the following application instructions to find the proper dwell-time and the number of applications to remove all traces of coating. Test under weather conditions similar to those expected during cleaning. Let test areas dry thoroughly before inspection.

Dilution

Do not dilute or alter. Apply as packaged.

Coverage Rates

Always test to ensure desired results. Coverage estimates depend on surface texture and porosity.

- 25–50 square feet per gallon
- 2–5 square meters per gallon

Application Instructions

Do not let stripper dry on the surface. If tests indicate long dwell times, reapply to keep the previously applied material wet. Keep people away from the stripper.

Exterior Applications

1. Apply product 1/8-inch to 1/4-inch thick to dry surface.
2. Let the application dwell 15–60 minutes or until coating “lifts” or shows signs of dissolving. Periodic agitation with a stiff bristle brush improves penetration. Some coatings will need multiple applications/increased dwell time.

ALWAYS TEST

ALWAYS TEST a small area of each surface to confirm suitability and desired results before starting overall application. Test with the same equipment, recommended surface preparation and application procedures planned for general application.

3. Remove stripper and residue with pressure-water rinse. Heated water may improve stripping efficiency.
4. Clean the stripped surface if needed with the appropriate Enviro Klean® product. Call Technical Customer Care toll-free at 800-255-4255 for cleaning recommendations.

Interior Applications

1. Follow steps 1 and 2 for Exterior Applications.
2. Using a low-pressure tank or pump-up sprayer, mist the treated surface with clean water. Water helps emulsify the old sealer and dilute the stripper so residues may be more easily removed.
3. Scrub surface until coatings are gone. Add more water to aid scrubbing. Ventilate to prevent accumulation of combustible vapors.
4. Use towels, mops or wet vacs to collect liquid residue. Locate wet vac motor outdoors well away from application site in a high area where vapors will not collect.
5. Thoroughly brush or mop-and-bucket rinse with clean water. If needed, clean surface with appropriate Enviro Klean® product.

Cleanup

Clean tools and equipment with high-flash aromatic naphtha or similar solvent. Cleaning with water may be sufficient if material has not dried.

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SAFETY INFORMATION

Enviro Klean® SafStrip® 8 is a concentrated cleaner and may cause irritation. Use appropriate safety equipment and job site controls during application. Read full label and MSDS for precautionary instructions before use.

First Aid

Ingestion: Do not induce vomiting. Get immediate medical assistance.

Eye Contact: Rinse thoroughly for 15 minutes. Get medical assistance if irritation persists.

Skin Contact: Rinse thoroughly. Get medical attention if irritation persists.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention as necessary.

24-Hour Emergency Information:
INFOTRAC at 800-535-5053

WARRANTY

The information and recommendations made are based on our own research and the research of others, and are believed to be accurate. However, no guarantee of their accuracy is made because we cannot cover every possible application of our products, nor anticipate every variation encountered in masonry surfaces, job conditions and methods used. The purchasers shall make their own tests to determine the suitability of such products for a particular purpose.

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CUSTOMER CARE

Factory personnel are available for product, environment and job-safety assistance with no obligation. Call 800-255-4255 and ask for Customer Care technical support.

Factory-trained representatives are established in principal cities throughout the continental United States. Call Customer Care at 800-255-4255, or visit our web site at www.prosoco.com for the name of the Enviro Klean® representative in your area.

BEST PRACTICES

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Never go it alone. For problems or questions, contact your local PROSOCO distributor or field representative. Or call PROSOCO technical Customer Care toll-free at 800-255-4255.



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