

SPECTRUM METALS

Adhesive/Top Coat Suggestions

It is always advisable to perform a test before any permanent application and to follow manufacturer suggestions.

Adhesives Suggestions:

- For adhering Spectrum Metals to other substrates other than metal use Epoxy. Example: [Lord Epoxy 310 A/B](#)
- For adhering Spectrum Metals to other metals use Acrylic Adhesive: [Lord Maxlok MX/T6 \(4:1\) Acrylic Adhesive](#)
- For adhering Spectrum Metals to substrates a standard 100% Silicone may be used. For additional strength, a silicone adhesive hybrid can be recommended: [ChemSet MS-35](#)
- For adhering Spectrum Metals to substrates as a laminate a contact adhesive can be recommended: [3M Hi-Strength Non-Flammable 98 NF Cylinder Spray Adhesive](#)
- For some applications Spectrum Metals can be adhered to appropriate substrates with very high bond double sided tape: [3M VHB Tape](#)

Protective Top Coats Suggestions:

- Light Oil – a temporary top coat that offers minor protection and can be color tinted: [Sculpt Nouveau Metal Oil](#)
- Heavy Oil – a more long lasting protective top coat: [Penetrol](#)
- Wax – a light to medium duty top coat that can be applied on its own, or over other top coats like a lacquer for additional protection: [Renaissance Wax](#); [Sculpt Nouveau Metal Wax](#)
- Lacquer – medium to heavy duty top coat: [Clear Guard](#); [Permalac](#)
- Polyurethane – heavy duty top coat: [Ever Clear](#)
- Automotive Clear – very heavy duty top coat: [Matte Clear 1610-15](#) with [Adhesion Promoter](#)
- Clear Powder Coating – extra heavy duty: consult your local powder coater

Please note that the strongest top coat available is not always the most desirable. For example, a wax top coat (less durable) may be more desirable than a clear powder coated top coat (the most durable) for a horizontal application: a countertop in a commercial environment is likely to scratch and get damaged. Therefore, choose a topcoat like a wax that can be repaired easily and often instead of a powder coated clear coat that is difficult if not impossible to strip and reapply.