



AQUA BUFF 2000

POLISHING COMPOUND

PRODUCT # AB2000

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SOLVENT-FREE BUFFING FOR SMOOTH & SHINY TRUE SURFACES

KEY USES

- Removal of fine scratches from gelcoated and painted surfaces such as boats, patterns, plugs, molds, and other finished products.
- Elevate true gloss of gelcoat and paint surface.

FEATURES

- SWIRL FREE FINISH**
Achieve the ultimate finish and shine!
- EASY APPLICATION**
Dab on with brush or cloth, then move smoothly across surface with rotary buffer.
- ECONOMICAL**
Use half as much compared to other compounds.
- WATER BASED**
Environmentally friendly.
- MULTIPLE-SIZE PACKING**
Packaged to meet a variety of manufacturing requirements.



AQUA-BUFF®

DESCRIPTION

An environmentally friendly, water-based polishing compound designed to remove fine scratches (1000-grit or higher) and swirl marks. Will leave a clean, true, high-gloss surface.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

SPECIFICATIONS	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Viscosity Viscosity measurements are taken on a Brookfield viscometer and measured in centipoise. A #6 spindle is used on 10rpm speed with a sample reading 70°-75°F over 1 minute.	80,000 CPS	160,000 CPS
Organics	13%	17%
Abrasives	39%	43%
Weight per gallon	10 lbs. +/- .5*	
Color	white	
Aqua Buff is a unique blend of binders and abrasives, containing no silica. As an approximation our blend is on average, 80% 40 microns particle size; 10% average 40 microns; 10% are greater than 40 microns.		

*Product weight varies based on several factors both at time of production and with storage over time.

SAFETY & HANDLING

During use Aqua Buff dust might be temporarily irritate eyes, skin, and respiratory system. Store under cool, dry conditions and away from extreme temperatures. If Aqua Buff freezes, allow to thaw. Product will be stable after one free/thaw cycle. All Aqua Buff formulations contain a biocide to inhibit mold growth, however no biocide has unlimited capacity to control growth. We recommend products be kept unopened as long as possible and stored in a cool location. After opening, containers should be kept covered and re-sealed when not in use. Clean utensils should be use to scoop Aqua Buff from containers.

Liability/warranty statement: Our products are intended for sale to industrial and commercial customers. We request that customers inspect and test our products before use and satisfy themselves as to contents and suitability. Nothing herein shall constitute a warranty, expressed or implied, including any warranty of merchantability or fitness, nor is protection from any law or patent to be inferred. All patent rights are reserved. The exclusive remedy for all proven claims is replacement of our materials and in no event shall we be liable for special, incidental or consequential damages. Aqua Buff is sold by container and weight is not guaranteed.

For more detailed instructions on storage, please see the MSDS sheet.



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PLEASE NOTE

The following use instructions are broad to address multiple applications. We recommend testing for product compatibility with your process. Please contact our Tech Team at (909) 546-1160 with any questions.

Compound Application Guide

(FOR AQUA BUFF 1000F, 1000W, 2000, GLOSSMASTER)

1. **Buffing Pad:** it is critically important to link the correct buffing pad to each Aqua Buff product. We advocate a tufted wool buffing pad for fast cut compounds like Aqua Buff 1000W or 1000F. For polishing with Aqua Buff 2000 or GlossMaster, we recommend a fine polishing pad. A foam pad can be used to get the ultimate shine.
2. **Amount used:** we find that most users apply too much compound and polish. Dab on an amount similar to a poker chip (about 3 cm across) for each square foot (30 cm) to be polished.
3. **Spray bottle:** Aqua Buff 1000F/W and Aqua Buff 2000 are sold as concentrates. The person doing the polishing adds water by spraying a mist onto the part. The buffing pad captures the compound/polish, and also the water. When the part appears dry, add more water with the spray bottle. As long as a milky liquid appears when the pad captures the water additional polish is not needed. Aqua Buff GlossMaster does not require additional water.
4. **Heat:** a significant benefit of Aqua Buff is that the sprayed water helps keep the surface cool during buffing. Heat can cause distortion to appear in the surface.
5. **Buffer:** we recommend a 2400 rpm commercial buffer. Wiping by hand will not create the necessary speed and energy to buff. Compound at full speed, polish at half speed.
6. **Surfaces:** Aqua Buff works on gelcoat, Duratec and other composite surfaces.
7. **After buffing:** wash the surface with soapy water to remove any leftover polish.

TIP: A common question we get is - "What final grit of sandpaper do I need to use?" The answer will depend on the hardness of the surface (harder requires a finer grit) and the quality of the surface required. For most gelcoats, a final grit of at least 800 is recommended.

AQUA BUFF PRODUCT CHOICES *see our Aqua Buff Product Selector for more details*

Aqua Buff 1000F is FAST. It can be too aggressive for soft surfaces, leaving swirl-marks. It is a grey-white (referred to as "cookies and cream") color.

Aqua Buff 1000W is a blue-green color. It works very well on most surfaces, but can leave a blue haze on oxidized gelcoat or white gelcoat.

Aqua Buff 2000 is a polish. It is used to remove swirl marks from compounding, or to re-shine oxidized gelcoat. Aqua Buff 2000 is a white color and does not leave a haze.

GlossMaster is used when the polisher does not want to use a spray water bottle to leave a fine, glossy surface.



AQUA BUFF PRODUCTS

TROUBLESHOOTING | AB1000F, AB1000W, AB2000

Problem	Cause	Solution
Burned gelcoat	Dry surface/dry compound	Spritz water on surface to cool and provide necessary surface lubrication. Keep moving across surface.
	Speed settings too high.	Adjust rotary buffer to ~2500 RPM for compound, ~1750 for polish. A DA may not have adjustable speed. Verify DA operating speed.
Chalky surface	Compound left on surface	Compounds & polishes break down during application. Resume buffing, adding water as needed, to work compound thoroughly.
	Excess Aqua Buff used	Aqua Buff compounds cover a lot of footage. Reduce to 1 poker chip size amount of compound/polish per square foot.
Oxidation not removed	Compound cut not enough.	Select Aqua Buff 1000F for heavy oxidation.
Swirl-Marks	Buffing pad selection incorrect.	Pad selection is critical. Compound with a wool pad, polish with a fine polishing pad.
	Material selection incorrect.	Aqua Buff 1000F is fast cut and will leave swirl marks. Aqua Buff 2000 is required to remove swirls and bring out gloss level.