



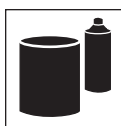
DuPont Automotive Finishes

## ChromaBase® “4 to 1” Multi-Mix Clearcoat Customization

### Description

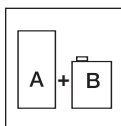
The unique design of ChromaBase® “4 to 1” clearcoats allows customization of clearcoat performance to meet the customer’s needs. The customization of clearcoat performance allows customers to build their own clears to suit their individual needs. The clearcoat attributes, such as appearance, productivity, and time to buff can be changed by mixing varying proportions of ChromaClear® 7779S™ and ChromaClear® HC-7776S™ and activating 4:1 with ChromaBase® “4 to 1” Activator Reducers.

### General Information



#### Components

DuPont™ ChromaClear® HC-7776S™ Multi Mix Snap Dry Clear  
 DuPont™ ChromaClear® 7779S™ Multi Mix Panel and Overall Clearcoat  
 ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 7765S™ Activator-Reducer: (60° F-70° F)  
 ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 7775S™ Activator-Reducer: (70° F-80° F)  
 ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 7785S™ Activator-Reducer: (80° F-90° F)  
 ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 7795S™ Activator-Reducer: (90° F-100° F)



#### Mix Ratio/Viscosity

For customization of attributes, ChromaClear® 7779S™ and ChromaClear® HC-7776S™ can be combined in any proportion and then activated 4:1 with ChromaBase® “4 to 1” activator-reducers.

**The key clearcoat mix combinations or “sweet spots” are given below.**

Combine the components either by volume or weight and then mix thoroughly.

#### **3 parts ChromaClear® 7779S™ to 1 part ChromaClear® HC-7776S™ to 1 part ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 77X5S**

	Volume	Weight (cumulative qt)
ChromaClear® 7779S™	3	521 grams
ChromaClear® HC-7776S™	1	692 grams
ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 77X5S™	1	881 grams

(X=6,7,8 or 9)

*This corresponds to mixing 3 parts 7779S™ and 1 part HC-7776S™ and then activating 4 to 1 with Chromabase® “4 to 1” activators.*

*This combination provides excellent appearance with significantly enhanced bake and air dry productivity over 7779S™.*

*Particularly suitable for customers wanting to air dry 7779S™.*

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**2 part ChromaClear® 7779S™ to 2 part ChromaClear® HC-7776S™ to 1 part ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 77X5S**

	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Weight (cumulative qt)</b>
ChromaClear® 7779S™	2	347 grams
ChromaClear® HC-7776S™	2	690 grams
ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 77X5S™	1	879 grams

(X=6,7,8 or 9)

*This corresponds to mixing 1 part 7779S™ and 1 part HC-7776S™ and then activating 4 to 1 with Chromabase® “4 to 1” activators.*

*This combination provides excellent overall balance of appearance and speed.*

*Significantly better appearance than HC-7776S™*

**1 part ChromaClear® 7779S™ to 3 part ChromaClear® HC-7776S™ to 1 part ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 77X5S**

	<b>Volume</b>	<b>Weight (cumulative qt)</b>
ChromaClear® 7779S™	1	174 grams
ChromaClear® HC-7776S™	3	687 grams
ChromaBase® “4 to 1” 77X5S™	1	876 grams

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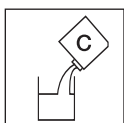
*This corresponds to mixing 1 part 7779S™ and 3 parts HC-7776S™ and then activating 4 to 1 with Chromabase® “4 to 1” activators.*

*This combination provides excellent speed (air dry and bake) with significantly better appearance over HC-7776S™.*

*Improves application latitude of HC-7776S™ in the summer time.*

*Viscosity*

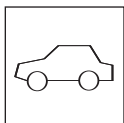
*15 - 17 seconds in a Zahn #2 (DuPont M-222) cup.*



### Additives

Flex Additive: Add 2 oz Plas-Stick 2350S™ Flexible Additive per ready to spray quart of clearcoat.

Fish Eye Eliminator: DuPont 459S™ or 659S™: Use 1/4 or 1/2 oz per ready to spray quart of clear coat.



### Basecoats

ChromaBase® Basecoat

ChromaPremier® Basecoat

### Application

#### Substrates

ChromaBase® Basecoat

ChromaPremier® Basecoat

DuPont 222S™ Mid-Coat Adhesion Promoter for blend areas

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## Surface Preparation

For application over a properly prepared basecoat repair:

- Mask the entire vehicle to prevent overspray from sticking.
- Allow basecoat to dry 15 - 30 minutes.
- Extend basecoat dry time to 30 minutes when applying several base color coats and/or in cooler shop conditions.

## Gun Setups\*

	7779S™	7779S™:HC-7776S™ 3:1	7779S™:HC-7776S™ 1:1	7779S™:HC-7776S™ 1:3	HC-7776S™
Conventional (gravity)	1.4-1.6 mm	1.4-1.6 mm	1.4-1.6 mm	1.4-1.6 mm	1.4-1.6 mm
HVLP (gravity)	1.4-1.6 mm	1.4-1.6 mm	1.4-1.6 mm	1.4-1.6 mm	1.4-1.6 mm

## Air Pressure\*

	7779S™	7779S™:HC-7776S™ 3:1	7779S™:HC-7776S™ 1:1	7779S™:HC-7776S™ 1:3	HC-7776S™
Conventional (gravity)	30-40 psi	30-40 psi	25-35 psi	20-30 psi	20-30 psi
HVLP (gravity)	8-10 psi	8-10 psi	7-9 psi	6-8 psi	6-8 psi

\*The listed setups cover the usual range for various application equipment. For information on specific manufacturers' equipment, see the "Equipment Information" Section in the Appendix of the ChromaSystem™ Technical Manual.



## Application

Apply 2 medium-wet coats.



## Flash/Dry Times

### Air Dry

### Various Combinations of ChromaClear® 7779S™ and HC-7776S™

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Application	Best		Better		Good
Tack Time	11 minutes	8 minutes	6 minutes	5 minutes	4 minutes
Dust Free Time	39 minutes	32 minutes	18 minutes	16 minutes	14 minutes
Appearance	Best		Better		Good
Time to Buff	Next Day	5 hours	3.5 hours	2.5 hours	2 hours

X= 6,7,8 or 9

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**Express Force Dry (15 minutes @ 140° F)**

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Application	Best	8 minutes	Better	5 minutes	Good
Tack Time	11 minutes	On Cool Down	6 minutes	On Cool Down	4 minutes
Dust Free Time	On Cool Down	On Cool Down	On Cool Down	On Cool Down	On Cool Down
Appearance	Best	2.5 hours	Better	30 minutes	Good
Time to Buff	5 hours		1.5 hours		30 minutes

X= 6,7,8 or 9

**Standard Bake Option (30 minutes @ 140° F)**

**Various combinations of ChromaClear® 7779S™ and HC-7776S™.**

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Handling	Best	8 minutes	Better	5 minutes	Good
Tack Time	11 minutes	On Cool Down	6 minutes	On Cool Down	4 minutes
Dust Free Time	On Cool Down	On Cool Down	On Cool Down	On Cool Down	On Cool Down
Appearance	Best	30 minutes	Better	30 minutes	Good
Time to Buff	3 hours		30 minutes		30 minutes

X= 6,7,8 or 9

*Note: Standard bake of HC-7776S™ could lead to solvent popping*

**Infrared Dry**

Refer to the Infrared Guide for setup recommendations.

### Blending

Panel repair is the approved procedure for clearcoat warranty repairs. This allows the refinisher to attain the recommended film builds. If the refinisher chooses to blend, use ChromaSystem™ 19301S™ Blender.

- After the final coat of clearcoat, step-out the coating by mixing 1 part ChromaSystem™ 19301S™ Blender to 1 part of the remaining material and taper the blend with the resulting mixture.
- Place ChromaSystem™ 19301S™ Blender in a clean spray gun and taper the blend edge for final melt-in of the blended edge.

### Tips for Success

*For sail panel blending, be sure DuPont 222S™ is applied beyond the intended clearcoat area.*

### Recoatability/Re-repair

DuPont™ ChromaBase® “4 to 1” Clearcoats may be recoated during any stage of dry or cure. If recoating after 24 hours, scuff sand with 1200 - 1500 grit.

### Sanding

Use 1500 grit wet or finer. Or use P1500 DA or finer.

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### Compounding

Use finishing compound. Apply a thin ribbon of material to the area to be polished. Use a double-sided wool polishing pad or a foam pad. Maintain air polisher or variable speed buffer at 1500 - 1800 rpm. Remove excess finishing compound with a clean soft cloth prior to applying finishing polish.



### Polishing

Use finishing polish (shake well before using). Apply a ribbon of material to work a 2 - 3 foot square area. Use a foam pad or a terry cloth cover. Maintain a variable speed buffer or an orbital polisher at 1200 - 1800 rpm. Keep the polisher/buffer moving at all times. Overlap each pass approximately 50%. As finishing polish begins to dry, stop polishing. Wipe off excess finishing polish with a clean soft cloth. Hand buff with a clean soft cloth as a finishing touch.

### Tips for Success

- Do not use medium to heavy-duty compounds. Use clean cloths and pads to insure that the clear does not get scratched with dirt particles from old or re-used cloths or pads.
- Do not wax for the first 120 days after painting.

### Cleanup

Clean spray equipment as soon as possible with DuPont Lacquer Thinner.

### Physical Properties

VOC: 4.2-4.3 lbs/gal ready-to-spray.

Theoretical Coverage: 495-555 sq. ft. per ready-to-spray gallon at 1 mil.

Weight Solids: 37.5-41.2% ready-to-spray.

Volume Solids: 30.4-34.8% ready-to-spray.

Recommended Dry Film Thickness: 1.8 - 2.2 mils in 2 coats.

Flash Point: See MSDS.

### VOC Regulated Areas

These directions refer to the use of products which may be restricted or require special mixing instructions in VOC regulated areas. Follow mixing and usage recommendations in the VOC Compliant Products Chart for your area.

### Safety and Handling

WEAR A POSITIVE-PRESSURE, SUPPLIED-AIR RESPIRATOR (NIOSH APPROVED TC-19C), EYE PROTECTION, GLOVES AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING WHILE MIXING ACTIVATOR WITH PAINT, DURING APPLICATION AND UNTIL ALL VAPORS AND SPRAY MIST ARE EXHAUSTED. Follow respirator manufacturer's directions for respirator use. INDIVIDUALS WITH HISTORY OF LUNG OR BREATHING PROBLEMS OR PRIOR REACTION TO ISOCYANATES SHOULD NOT USE OR BE EXPOSED TO VAPOR OR SPRAY MIST. Do not permit anyone without protection in the painting area.

