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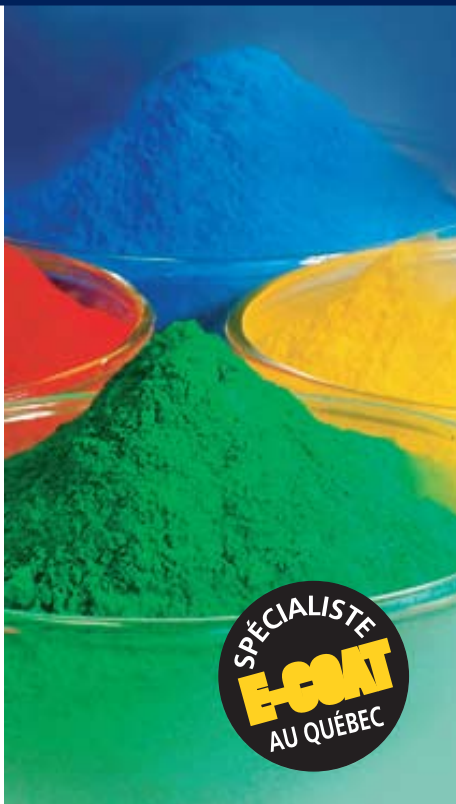


Newsletter from
your powder coating
and electrocoating specialist
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Why choose Sixpro instead of another?

In 2009, more than ever, it is important to spend wisely for the coating of your parts. So, what makes Sixpro special? According to our last customer survey, here are the main reasons that make you choose Sixpro:

Although pricing is a major competitive point, we believe that quality control of the parts you provide us ensures that you will have made the right choice :



- Electrocoating (e-coat)
- Powder coating
- Thermoplastics
(Plascoat and Nylon coatings)

Did you know that
all of our powder coating
processes are
environmentally friendly,
and that our **electrocoating**
(e-coat) is lead-free?



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1. Verification of adhesion, thickness, curing and colour parameters

Complying with our ISO certification, validation test plates are painted at the start of every new colour production, and then every two hours for a long colour set-up.

Adhesion is then validated with a cross-cut incision on the coated sample. Adhesive tape is applied and removed in a swift motion to check if paint squares come out.

Curing is checked by taking a cotton cloth wet with solvent and swiped 25 times on the coating. If there is paint residue on the cloth, curing is not complete. As for coating thickness, it is measured with an elcometer.



2. Operations sheet

Seeing as Sixpro coats more than 25,000 different part numbers, it is important for us to be able to find all customer specifications under the same document. Your special packaging, thickness requirements and visible or critical surfaces will appear on this document.



3. Logistics - part traceability

Every part entering Sixpro is identified with a bar code. This means that your customer service agents can always validate, in real time, the location and production status of your parts.



4. Salt spray testing

Sixpro houses its own salt spray lab operated by chemists; salt spray is the testing method used to validate how long our coating process stands up to corrosion.





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Client Testimonial : Teknion | Roy & Breton

Most of you probably know of Teknion because you have some in your office!

As an international designer, manufacturer and marketer of office systems furniture and related storage products, Teknion's growth has always been constant... even in 2009!



With a workforce of more than 800 employees in four plants in Quebec, added to its plants located in Ontario, Teknion has always been synonymous with innovation in their approach to quality, with their diversified products, and manufacturing processes, all of which have earned Teknion numerous awards.

As Mario Forgues, corporate purchasing director at Teknion states, "we wanted to create even more added value to our supply chain, which lead us to establish a logistics management program with Sixpro. With Sixpro's having direct access to Teknion's ERP for more than a year, our business relationship is truly based on a great partnership."

Trust Sixpro to provide added value to your projects!

In the spotlight!

Discover how flexible powder coating is!

If we were to compare powder coating with liquid paint, many factors favour powder, namely its cost, and the fact that powder coating is considered a "green" process, without solvents or chemical fumes.

Still, did you know that a part painted with powder coating results in a finished product of great flexibility? See for yourself!

The following pictures show a flat metal sheet that was painted and then folded...without cracking! You would not have such results with liquid paint!



Did you know?

Vous pourriez réduire vos coûts!

Would you like to reduce your costs? If you have the dual performance of e-coat with a powder top coat, you could ask that the top coat be applied only to the visible surface of your part... this would mean great savings for you and your customers!

Validate your options with your Sixpro expert!

