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EDGE SEAL AND SEALING METHODS FOR APPLIQUES

Title (de)

KANTENVERSIEGELUNG UND SIEGELVERFAHREN FÜR ANWENDUNGEN

Title (fr)

JOINT POUR BORD FRANC ET PROCEDE D'ETANCHEITE POUR FILM AUTOCOLLANT

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO9965674A1] An edge seal comprising a concentrated topcoat with suitable additives to form a caulking compound improves the performance of appliquéés. Increasingly, stringent environmental restrictions make it challenging to apply coatings (i.e., paint) by conventional processes like spray painting because of the volatile solvents and hazardous pigments. The environmental scrutiny is particularly focused upon conventional corrosion protection surface treatments, especially chromated primers and conversion coatings. We apply appliquéés to provide a vapor barrier over the substrate to provide corrosion protection. We can make curved appliquéés on a family of molds of different Gaussian curvature and thereby avoid making a "splash" mold of the surface of interest to create the appliquéés. Using curved appliquéés reduces ridges, creases, or gaps that sometimes otherwise occur with attempts to cover a surface with complex curvature with flat (planar) appliquéés. Appliquéés are interconnected and sealed together using a concentrated topcoat (typically a fluoroelastomer or fluoropolymer) that has volatile organic compounds stripped from it to thicken the resulting edge seal to ease its application (no drips or runs), to improve its ability to stick, and to improve its toughness and corrosion inhibiting capability. The edge seal becomes an extension of the appliquéés topcoat and should possess the physical and chemical characteristics of the topcoat.

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