

# AUF490X

## Ultraguard™ Conversion Varnish



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### GENERAL INFORMATION

Axalta's Ultraguard™ Conversion Varnishes are excellent, post-catalyzed products, formulated to offer both durability and value. They are ideal for kitchen and bath cabinets, tables, architectural millwork, or anywhere a tough and durable coating is needed. Ultraguard™ Conversion Varnishes are supplied ready to spray (after catalyzation) and need no further reduction. This product is designed for Professional use only. For wood substrates only.



### 1. PRODUCTS

- AUF4904 – Soft Gloss
- AUF4902 - Satin



### 2. MIXING RATIO

- 2.5oz per gallon (2% by volume) with CXC4000. 8.5oz per gallon (6.6% by volume) with CXC4010.



### 3. SHELF LIFE @ 77°F (25°C)

- 18 months as packaged. 8-12 hour pot life @ 77° F once catalyzed



### 4. CLEAN UP

- Dispose of dirty solvent and cleaning rags in a safe and compliant manner. Solvent or lacquer soaked rags should be stored in water-filled, closed containers prior to disposal.



### 5. SURFACE PREPARATION

- Surface must be clean and dust free with a moisture content of 6-8% prior to finishing. Remove all dust, dirt, wax and wood marks. Proper sanding and preparation of the wood is critical to achieving consistent results.
- On new wood, finish sand surface with 150-180 grit sandpaper
- On previously finished wood, remove all old paint or varnish and follow new wood procedure.



### 6. COMPANION PRODUCTS

- NVS2400
- NUS4010
- NUS4020
- Graintone Plus™ Stain system



### 7. SUBSTRATES

- Commonly used furniture and cabinetry woods
- MDF/HDF

**NOTE:** Not to be used on exterior applications



### 10. APPLICATION

- Apply at a rate of 3-4 wet mils per coat. This finish must be sanded between coats for proper adhesion. DO NOT APPLY more than four coats at 3-4 wet mils per coat when used as a self seal system. Maximum film thickness of the total coating system MUST NOT EXCEED 4 dry mils.



### 11. FLASH / DRY TIMES

AIR DRY @ 77°F (25°C)

Dry to touch	10-15 Minutes
To Sand/Recoat	25-35 Minutes
To Stack	8-12 Hours

### 12. FORCE DRY



Flash	8 – 10 Minutes
Bake	15 Minutes @ 140°F
Cool Down	10 Minutes ambient
Stack	Immediately after cool down



### 13. GUN SET UP



Gravity Feed	1.4 mm - 1.8 mm
Siphon Feed	1.4 mm - 1.8 mm
Airless	10 – 15 thousandths
Air-Assisted Airless	11 – 15 thousandths

### AIR PRESSURES

Gravity Feed	30-35 psi (2.0-2.4 bar)
Siphon Feed	35-40 psi (2.4-2.8 bar)
Air-Assisted Airless	5-10 psi (0.3-0.7 bar)
See spray gun manufacturer data for more information	



### 14. PHYSICAL DATA

Viscosity	22-26 EZ Zahn #2 @77F
Weight Solids %	29.5-30.0%
Volume Solids %	22.92-23.02%
Actual VOC	3.98-4.02lbs/gal of Product
VOC Ratio (lb.voc/lb.solids)	1.72-1.76lb VOC/lb solid
Regulatory VOC (less water and exempt solvents)	596.11-596.67 g/l
Weight Per Gallon	7.71-7.72 lbs/gal
Flash Point	1°F Closed Cup
Theoretical Coverage	367-369 ft/gal @ 1 mil dry
VHAP (lb.HAP/lb.solids)	0.24lb VHAP/lb solid
Photochemically Reactive	No
Coating Category	Clear

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### Application Notes:

#### General:

Always pre-test the system on your substrate to verify suitability of the application.

If staining, use an approved Axalta Stain and let dry per the directions on the Technical Data Sheet for the stain you choose. Choose the appropriate sheen from the series and agitate well before applying. While under agitation, catalyze this conversion varnish at a rate of 2.5 oz per gallon (2% by volume) with CXC4000 and let mix for 5-10 minutes or until the catalyst is thoroughly incorporated. Stir thoroughly before use and occasionally during use.

Apply by spray only, using Conventional Air, HVLP, Airless, or Air Assisted Airless equipment. Apply at a rate of 3-4 wet mils per coat. Sand between coats with 240-320 grit, no fill type sandpaper. Remove sanding dust before applying the next coat. This finish must be sanded between coats for proper adhesion. DO NOT APPLY more than four coats at 3-4 wet mils per coat when used as a self seal system. Maximum film thickness of the total coating system MUST NOT EXCEED 4 dry mils.

#### Drying Time:

Dry to touch: 10-15 minutes

Dry to sand and recoat: 25-35 minutes (depending on ambient conditions)

Do not apply if the material or substrate temperature is below 55°F.

This product is best applied when surface and air temperatures are between 55°-90° F (~12-32°C) and when relative humidity is below 50% during application and drying time.

#### Clean Up:

Clean equipment with warm water. If coating has dried, acetone may be required to remove dried film. Keep container closed when not in use to avoid skinning. Do not transfer contents to other containers for storage or disposal. In case of spillage, absorb with inert material such as sand or kitty litter. Dispose of empty cans or unused portion in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

### Precautions:

These products are recommended for professional application and are designed for interior use only. Always pre-test the system on your substrate and under your line conditions to verify suitability to the application and to avoid potential need for costly refinishing. Axalta Industrial Wood Coatings are designed to protect and enhance the natural beauty of wood, but cannot eliminate natural discoloration or deterioration of wood as it ages.

### Additional notes:

Do not mix with other finishing systems or deviate from these finishing recommendations. Axalta will not be held liable for finish failures resulting from the mixing of products or deviations from finishing recommendations.

### Storage:

Store in a cool, dry place. DO NOT FREEZE! Product should be stored in temperatures between 50°-110°F. Close all containers after use. Do not store near heat or sparks. Spills should be cleaned up with non-sparking tools. [See the product MSDS for complete safety information.](#)

### Warning:

Always pre-test the system on your substrate and under your line conditions to verify suitability to the application and avoid potential need for costly refinishing. All dry times listed are as tested under ideal indoor environmental conditions of 78°F (26°C) with relative humidity not exceeding 50%. These products are recommended for use under temperature conditions of 60-100°F (16-38°C) and when relative humidity is below 50% during application and drying time. Low temperatures, poor air circulation or high humidity will extend dry times. **Axalta strongly recommends against use of these products if temperatures of air, material, or surface to be coated are below 60°F (16°C) or below the dew point. Abnormal conditions of temperature or humidity may adversely affect product performance.** Please contact your authorized Axalta Industrial Wood Coatings distributor for additional product use recommendations and finishing guidance.