

Paint Compatibility Field Test Guide

To determine the type of coating you may have on your pool or slide please follow the procedure out- lined below:

1. Apply denatured alcohol to a clean cloth and rub onto surface. If the paint softens then the coating is probably a water-based acrylic paint.
2. Apply acetone to a clean cloth and rub onto surface.
 - A. If the paint softens, put a small amount of thinner on your finger and rub the surface in circles while wearing gloves.
 - If it softens and “strings” the paint is probably a chlorinated rubber-based paint.
 - If the coating softens but does NOT string, then it is probably a synthetic rubber.
 - B. If nothing happens to the paint coating when you rub the surface with the thinner on the cloth, then the paint is most likely an epoxy or a gel coat.

NOTE: When testing white surface use a dark colored cloth; when testing a colored surface use white cloth.

The solvents contained in this test are known hazardous materials. Proper precautions should be taken when handling these materials.