

## Tips for Storing DuraTex<sup>®</sup>

If you finish your project and have a partial pail of DuraTex<sup>®</sup> left over, here are some tips that can help preserve the product for as long as possible.

- Make sure there is no DuraTex<sup>®</sup> on the inside lid of the pail or on the inner and outer rim of the pail. This will help to ensure that a tight seal can be made when the lid is put back on the pail.
- Take a spatula & scrape the wet coating from the inner walls of the pail where the DuraTex<sup>®</sup> was prior to using. You can tap the handle of the spatula on the side of the pail & shake off the extra coating to incorporate on top of the remaining coating that is still in the bottom of the pail. This will help to prevent waste of the product & also prevent any DuraTex<sup>®</sup> from drying on the inner wall of the pail & then getting mixed in with the remaining DuraTex<sup>®</sup> when you're ready to use the product again.
- Use a spray bottle (easily found at any hardware store) & spray a SMALL amount of water on the inner wall of the pail. This will help to get any remaining coating off the inner pail wall that may not have been removed by the spatula. Then spray a SMALL amount of water on top of the remaining product in the pail. This will cause the humidity level to rise in the pail preventing a skin from forming due to the dead air space that is now in the pail. This will help prevent wasted product ensuring that the remaining product in the pail will all be usable.
- When you're ready to use the product again, stir the little bit of remaining water into the coating and you will be ready to go. If you've mistakenly put too much water on top of the DuraTex<sup>®</sup>, you can pour the water off and then stir the contents of the pail and reincorporate the slight amount of remaining water. Too much water stirred onto the coating will reduce the viscosity of the product and you may not get the texture finish you desire. A little bit of water will not hurt the product, it will just lower the viscosity slightly.
- Do not expose the pail of DuraTex<sup>®</sup> to temperatures of 32 degrees F or lower. DuraTex<sup>®</sup> does not return to the same chemical composition after it has been exposed to freezing.

\*NOTE: We NEVER recommend adding more than 5% water in proportion to the amount of DuraTex<sup>®</sup>. DuraTex<sup>®</sup> is a water based product but adding more than 5% water in proportion to the amount of DuraTex<sup>®</sup> will drastically change the composition of the product and it will no longer be DuraTex<sup>®</sup>.