

# Leather Repair Company

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## **LRC16 - Leather Lacquer Finish**

The leather lacquer finish is a water based clear coat lacquer sealer, supplied in three sheen levels, gloss, satin and matt. They are used to seal over leather repair paint to give a sealed protection on the surface and give it a freshly painted leather finish.

The leather finishing sealers are clear when dry, they are designed to seal leather and give leather a protective layer from daily life. This is the same leather finish that's applied when leather skins are tanned and then pigmented or given a painted finish. Not only does it protect the painted finish, the leather lacquer finish is also applied to dyed leather to protect the dye from being worn away or bleached from the leather surface quickly.

These finishes are professional grade, as used in leather tanneries, so you know you're getting an excellent product to protect your leather surface and finish. They are water based, non-hazardous, and non-flammable. Once dried they form a hard shell on the surface that's clear, hard wearing, very scuff resistant, stops colour from rubbing off and offers a fantastic scratch resistance, offering lasting protection with a hard-wearing shell-like coating.

These clear coat lacquers that come in a satin leather finish, gloss leather finish and matt leather finish are designed to seal in leather that's starting to fade and wear. The application is extremely easy and the product dries within minutes compared to other coatings that can take hours and hours to dry. Making this an extremely user friendly easy to apply product.

Two tone leather, antique finish leathers and chesterfield leather finishes are prone to wearing off the topcoat finish over time, this is best reapplied to protect the painted finishes applied in the making of the leather hides.

On average the lacquer finish lasts around 2 to 5 years on the surface depending how it's cared for and what clothing you wear. Jeans can cause the lacquer finish to wear away quicker so a recoating may be required in 2 to 3 years.

#### Changing The Sheen Levels.

The beauty of this lacquer finish, compared to others, they can be mixed together gaining any sheen level you desire. From adding a small amount of gloss to a matt leather lacquer, to making a 50 - 50 mix to make a satin, to making a mixture of 70% satin and 30% matt to give you a sheen level that's just below a satin finish. Apply a new layer of clear coat lacquer is a great way of putting some life back into your leather. Rather than complicate issues we have left these lacquer sealers as standard that tanners use Gloss, Satin and Matt, this way you create any sheen level you require even blending into older worn leather to make it look original on antique leathers.

#### Preparing the surface ready to apply new clear coat leather finish.

Getting the surface ready to apply a new layer of clear coat leather lacquer sealer. It's important that the surface is prepared fully to ensure the new leather lacquer coating will bond fully and give long lasting protection.

First of all, inspect the finish to make sure you know what to do, then give the leather a deep clean using LRC1 leather cleaner, if the lacquer finish is lifting be careful how this is cleaned, do not scrub this too hard. It's advised that a bamboo pad is used to gently clean over the surface to remove dirt and grime.

Once the surface is fully cleaned, you will need to wipe down the surface with alcohol cleaner, this is to remove all waxes, silicones and build-up of leather food that may have been applied over the years. If you have areas that are lifting then it's advised to sand these with a 1200 grit sandpaper, again don't go too aggressively with the sanding, lightly sand the areas affected to blend away any areas that are lifting, so the new lacquer can bond and blend in correctly.

Once all dust has been removed from the sanding, you are ready to apply a new layer of leather lacquer finish. This can be applied by sponge or by spray application with an airbrush or spray gun. If applying the leather sealer by sponge, it's advised to look at this <u>video first</u>.

Apply three coats of leather sealer, this is best for the ultimate protection. Between each coating, lightly sand the leather to remove any imperfections from the surface as you go, before you apply another layer of lacquer finish to the leather, the final layer should be sanded with 3,000 grit polishing paper to finish of the lacquer finish, giving you a beautiful silky-smooth finish.

When you are drying the lacquer finish this is best done with a hairdryer. Don't get the surface too hot, just stay around 6 to 8 inches away from the surface so that the lacquer finish can be dried thoroughly.

Make sure it's dry between each coating. When using a hairdryer, this can be dried within minutes, be careful about not creating a froth on the surface when applying by sponge, follow the video below for help with this product, or this <u>video</u> can help you as well.

Take a look at the **YouTube Video** about this product

**Available sizes,** 50ml – 1.70 fl oz, 100ml – 3.4 fl oz, 250ml – 8.5 fl oz, 500ml – 17 fl oz, 11tr – 34 fl oz, 51tr – 176 fl oz

Use Within, Use within 24 months of purchase.

#### Manufacturers Warranty 12 months from point of sale.

Temperatures, do not allow to freeze or go below 7 °C.

Before Use, always check in a small hidden area before using to ensure its suitability for the leather.

Colour, a shade of white.

Smell, no aromas added.

Formula, water-based leather lacquer clear coat sealer.

Skin Allergies, if you have skin allergies always wear gloves, wear goggles when applying.

**Cautions,** Harmful if swallowed. Keep out of reach of children, may cause skin irritation. Seek medical attention at once, do not induce vomiting. Avoid contact with eyes, rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do so, continue rinsing. Use a mask at all times using in a well-ventilated area,

**Uses,** to seal the surface of pigmented leather, two tone leather, antique leather and aniline leather to give a protective layer.

Works on these leathers, Pigmented Leather Aniline Leather, Corrected Grain Leather, Semi Aniline Leather, Two Tone Leather, Antique Finished Leather, Rub-Off, Waxy Pull-Up, Top Coated Leather, Vegan Leather, Bi Cast Leather, Bonded Leather, Faux Leather, Vinyl.

**For use on,** Car Leather Interiors, Leather Sofas, Leather Chairs, Leather Shoes, Leather Handbags, Leather Briefcases, Leather Saddles, Equine Leather, Leather Jackets, Motorcycle Leathers, Leather Boots, Leather Purses, Leather Trousers. Leather Clothing, Motor Bike Leathers, Leather Walls, Leather Tables, Leather Watch Straps.