

PreKote® Wipes vs. Alodine® Pens

Understanding the Key Differences



PreKote® Wipes	Alodine® Pens	Takeaway																																	
Cost Factors																																			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Wipes cost approximately \$1.25 each » Each wipe covers 4 sq. feet » Cost per sq. foot: \$.31 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Pens cost approximately \$100.00 each » Each pen covers 50 sq. feet » Cost per sq. foot: \$2.00 	<p><i>PreKote is much less expensive to use.</i></p>																																	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No hidden costs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Hidden/additional costs: HAZMAT shipping, storage, and waste, additional PPE costs, additional labor costs 		Application Process / Ease of Use			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Ready-to-use wipe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Ready-to-use pen 	<p><i>PreKote is a more versatile product; it can be used on any surface.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » CAN BE USED ON ANY SURFACE (painted or unpainted) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » CAN ONLY BE USED ON BARE ALUMINUM » LIMITED USAGE: » Cannot be used on sensitive materials such as magnesium and composites » Cannot be used on painted surfaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » 3-step process for any surface 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » 7-step process for <i>unpainted surfaces only</i> 	<p><i>Using PreKote wipes is faster and easier. See reverse side for step-by-step process comparison.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » One (1) coat & one (1) drying process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Two (2) coats & two (2) drying processes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Process Constraints / Limitations: » Must use wipe in only one direction. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Process Constraints / Limitations: » Must apply product with a certain thickness » Arbitrary and potentially confusing saturation requirements for different types of coatings ("damp", "moderately wet", "very wet") » Second coat must be applied within five (5) minutes of first coat drying » Must have 50% overlap on each pass » Must keep felt tip "wet," but "not too wet" » If felt tip becomes fouled, pen life is diminished or pen becomes unusable » If pen isn't capped immediately after use, the pen dries out and becomes unusable » Cannot let product puddle » Although pen can be reused, it's not easy to know how much product is remaining inside pen; this can negatively impact productivity 	<p><i>PreKote is easier to use; it has minimal "hassle factor".</i></p> <p><i>PreKote's simple process yields more consistent results.</i></p>	Environmental Health & Safety Factors			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Hazard-free, non-regulated product 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Regulated by OSHA, DOT, IAT/ICAO, and IMO/IMDG 	<p><i>Using PreKote requires less paperwork and frees up time spent documenting "compliance" related to shipping, usage, storage, and disposal. It also reduces HAZMAT related costs.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Non-hazardous shipping / storage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Classified as hazardous shipping / storage 	<p><i>PreKote wipes are not shipped or stored as hazardous waste making usage easier and reducing costs and storage hassles.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Non-carcinogenic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Carcinogenic 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » PPE required: gloves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » PPE required: mask, gloves, goggles, and boots 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » SDS warnings listed: mild irritant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » SDS warnings listed: corrosion and health hazards; contains a reproductive toxin.
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Process Comparison



For touch-ups and small jobs, PreKote Wipes are a versatile, easy and convenient way to clean and prep any paintable surface. They're non-toxic which makes them superior to time-consuming, unsafe alternatives such as Alodine® pens.

The process is simple with PreKote Wipes: Wipe » Wait » Paint

PreKote vs. Alodine Pens: *Process Comparison Chart*

	PreKote Wipes: <i>Use on Any Painted or Paintable Surface</i>	Alodine Pens: <i>Use on Bare Aluminum Only</i>
Steps	3 Steps	8 Steps
1	Ensure a debris-free, clean surface	Ensure a debris-free, clean surface
2	With PreKote Wipe, wipe surface in one direction several times	Wet abrade to remove oxide layer
3	Let surface dry	Let surface dry
4	Prime or paint	Activate Pen
5		Apply Alodine using frequent short jabs to maintain consistent flow of product
6		Let surface dry
7		Within 5 minutes of first coat drying, apply a second coat
8		Let surface dry
		Prime or paint



PreKote®
—Simply Superior